Happy Holidays from OHS!
We have had many things vying for our attention in 2020 including shelter-in-place to slow the pandemic. Thank you for your continued support in the face of these challenges! The OHS could not provide animal services in the Tri-City area without the volunteer time and donations of our members.

This year, Tail Wagging News would like to particularly salute the Spay and Neuter Program for success in the face of obstacles. Even though our veterinary partners had to suspend spay and neuter appointments for several months, our dedicated volunteer trappers, TNR Team, and Foster Kitten Team still succeeded in caring for a large number of animals in 2020, significantly reducing the number of unwanted baby animals on the streets and in shelters.

Check out our social media posts on Facebook and Instagram!

**Spay and Neuter Program**
This program provides spay and neuter services for the pets of our low-income community members in addition to the local feral cat colonies. Even with the limited

**Trap-Neuter-Return Report**
The TNR Team has trapped 129 cats to be fixed and has rescued 101 kittens in 2020! Pausing the program was not an option as feral cat populations grow quickly. This small
appointments available, the team successfully spayed or neutered 278 pets (dogs, cats, and rabbits) plus 323 feral cats in 2020!

Meet Lisa's two sweet pit-mix pals, Ginger and Baby Doll, on their way home after the dogs were spayed through the OHS program.

but mighty group of volunteers worked tirelessly to trap community cats and get the cats fixed when appointments were available, then shelter the cats during recovery and return them to their colonies.

Our goal is that no cat, regardless of age or health, is left behind.

Foster Kitten Program
The Foster Kitten Program socializes kittens to make them adoptable. This letter is from our fosterer 5-year-old Henry W, who is helping to foster kittens:

We have four foster kittens at our house. They are very soft and cozy. Sometimes I dream that I am a kitty cat and I can sleep with them. Every time I pick up Margaret Hamilton she snuggles and cozies up to me. The names are Hoppy, Poppy, Mae Jemison and Margaret Hamilton. You spell Hoppy like the H-O-P-P-Y.

We foster them. That means we love them until they get big and go to their real home. We love them, feed them, and give them water and Daddy scoops their poops. I play with them to make them happy and they love toys. You can foster cozys kitties!

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Shelter Assistance Program
It truly takes a village to create a lifesaving community. Even though

Wildlife Rehabilitation Center
In 2020, we received and cared for over 700 wild animals!
the Tri-City Animal Shelter had to suspend adoptions, their dedicated staff continued to work hard behind the scenes to support our mutual goal of helping animals.

Cheers to the shelter for continuing to reunite lost pets with their humans and place homeless animals with rescue partners. We will continue to support each other and look forward to when the shelter can fully reopen.

We were able to give so many wild animals a second chance at life due to our dedicated staff, big-hearted volunteers, and the generosity of our community members – you!

Thank you for all the ways in which you support OHS and the wildlife Rehabilitation Center, allowing us to continue to care for injured, ill, and orphaned wildlife in our community.

**OHS Wants You and Your Pet for Animal-Assisted Therapy!**

Would you like to share your animal companion with people in need? We need your help in bringing animal love and warmth to people who cannot have pets. There is no substitute for the unconditional love of an animal. If you have an especially well-socialized animal who loves to interact with people, consider becoming a volunteer therapy team — you can make a difference together!

Handlers can be as young as 10 years old, and the pets can include dogs, cats, birds, rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, pigs, and even llamas and horses, as long as the pet passes the therapy pet evaluation and can be accommodated by the facility being visited.

We are actively training volunteers during shelter-in-place since we expect high demand due to extended social isolation. Prepare now to join us as soon as we can resume visits. This is a great time to complete the online coursework and practice handler skills for the in-person evaluation. For more information, see [https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/animal-assisted-interventions/](https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/animal-assisted-interventions/).
OHS Pets Meals-on-Wheels
OHS Pet Meals-on-Wheels provides nutritious meals to the pets of community members who are disabled, elderly, or homeless. During 2020 we distributed 4000+ pounds of pet food.

We also support pets whose families were displaced by the wildfires (currently 8 dogs, 5 puppies, 1 cat, and 4 kittens). We gladly accept any donations of cat and dog food to keep these pets fed, out of shelters, and with their families.

Special Assistance for Pets
Our Special Assistance Program helps pay for medical needs of pets whose people cannot pay the entire bill. We have been able to help many pets and hope to help many more on our waiting list through donations.

Eight-year old Sitka, who lives with John and Carol in their camper, is one of the dogs assisted through this program. OHS helped pay for the removal of two serious tumors, and he is now happy and healthy.

Ohlone Humane Society wishes you
a happy holiday
and a great new year!

Support OHS today