

QUARTERLY REPORT

Community Field and Rescue Work



PETA staff and volunteers are helping dogs like Dave, a young puppy kept chained outside and deprived of care for ailments related to the worst flea infestation the veterinarian had ever seen.



Read more about Dave and other animals we helped this quarter. ►►

Preventing Companion Animal Homelessness



Coco

During this quarter, the veterinary staff on our mobile spay/neuter clinics sterilized **3,237** companion animals, including **Coco** and **Pelusa**, who were among the **181** animals PETA's Community Animal Project fieldworkers transported for free to and from their no-cost spay/neuter appointments. We also removed a painful nasal polyp that was obstructing **Penny**'s ability to breathe at no charge to her grateful guardian.



Penny



Pelusa

We sterilized **104 cats (and a dog)** in just one day in Hayes, Virginia, a community that's overrun with homeless cats. Our veterinary staff also treated a cat for a hernia and partially amputated another cat's injured, necrotic tail. The surgeries were free to local residents and sponsored by a donor in memory of his own feline companion.



Community Outreach

Barks & Books

Through our **Barks & Books** program, we continued to distribute children's books with animal-friendly themes to kids we met in the field and at our spay/neuter clinics.

We participated in the annual **Grand Illumination Parade** in Norfolk, Virginia, during which costumed volunteers and one of our mobile clinics shared the animal-friendly message "Make Their Sweet Dreams Come True. Unchain, Uncage, Make Them Family."



We also participated in the annual **One City Celebration** in Newport News, Virginia, by offering spay/neuter surgeries in exchange for nonperishable vegan food items. We sterilized 39 animals and donated the items to the city's food drive.

Shelter Partnership Placements

➡ We transferred **123** companion animals to our shelter partners for adoption.



Dave

In Windsor, North Carolina, we worked with the police department to confiscate **Dave**, a young puppy kept chained outside and suffering from a horrific flea infestation as well as internal parasites, anemia, and mange. Thanks to PETA, Dave received the veterinary care he desperately needed and spent several weeks recovering in protective police custody before we transferred him to Reba's Animal Rescue, where he was quickly adopted.



Adopted!

PETA often subsidizes the cost of veterinary care when we transfer animals to our placement partner shelters.



Pearl

In Bertie County, North Carolina, we secured the relinquishment of **Pearl** when we found her companion, Thor, emaciated, deceased, and still chained just a few feet from where she was also chained and tangled. We transferred Pearl to the Chesapeake Humane Society, where she was soon adopted into a family with another dog.



Adopted!

Helping People Keep and Care For Their Animals

➡ This quarter, we spent **\$728,399** on local services.

One of the **492** requests for assistance that PETA received was for senior dog **Rosie**, whose guardian couldn't afford surgery to treat her potentially fatal uterine infection. We performed an emergency spay surgery and accepted a donation that her family could afford, an amount approximately one-tenth of what most vets would charge. We assisted hundreds of families like hers in keeping their animal companions this quarter.



Rosie



Spice

PETA helped protect “outside dogs” like **Spice**—kept chained or penned outdoors 24/7—from the increasingly cold weather by providing sturdy doghouses and insulating straw bedding. We also made sure these dogs had shelter, food, and treatment for parasites, and we replaced short, heavy chains with 15-foot lightweight tie-outs.

*This quarter, we delivered custom-built, insulated doghouses to **51 dogs** kept outdoors day and night in all weather extremes.*



Chocolate before



Chocolate after

We provided **Chocolate**—who had been kept in a small wire crate outside without protection from the elements—with a custom-made wooden doghouse and a long tether to give her exponentially more space to move around than she previously had.

Free End-of-Life Services

When beloved senior dog **Dunkin**'s potentially cancerous tumor ruptured, he stopped eating and became very lethargic. His family brought him to PETA's shelter for free end-of-life services. He was among the **190** animals we euthanized this quarter at no cost to families who couldn't afford this vital humane service. Their guardians filled out postcards asking their state legislators to safeguard our ability to offer free end-of-life relief. This quarter, **627** of our constituent families sent postcards to their elected officials in support of our services, including compassionate euthanasia—a service that only PETA provides in the region.



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We are Thankful to PETA for allowing us a peaceful goodbye for our sweet family dog. The hardest decision was talked through and giving us peace. Thank you.

I chose to bring my dog because I love him and don't want him to suffer. And I am thankful for their services and kindness to all animals

We provided free end-of-life care for elderly free-roaming cat **Scruffles**, who had sustained a significant injury to his neck that became infected and necrotic.




At her family's request, we provided a peaceful exit to **Gabby**, who'd been kept chained outside for 14 years in Nash County, North Carolina, after a basketball-sized tumor on her chest ruptured and became infected. She was among the **563** animals we euthanized this quarter.



Among the animals we euthanized were **228 free-roaming cats** suffering from conditions that included injured eyeballs, emaciation, stomatitis, advanced upper respiratory infections, panleukopenia, internal and external parasites, ringworm, traumatic injuries, broken bones, dermatitis, immobility, paralysis, and cancer.

In-House Adoptions

 This quarter, PETA found homes for **Sandy**, **Burt Reynolds**, **Karate**, **Archer**, and **Lydia**, among many others.



Sandy



Burt Reynolds



Karate



Archer and Lydia



Chopper

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A PERSON WHO WOULD CHAIN A DOG OUTSIDE

Please **support efforts** to raise animal welfare standards in North Carolina and protect “outdoor dogs” like Chopper from dangerous weather conditions, neglect, and abuse.

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