PETA's

THIRD QUARTER 2026

QUARTERLY REPORT

Community Field and Rescue Work

Sasha

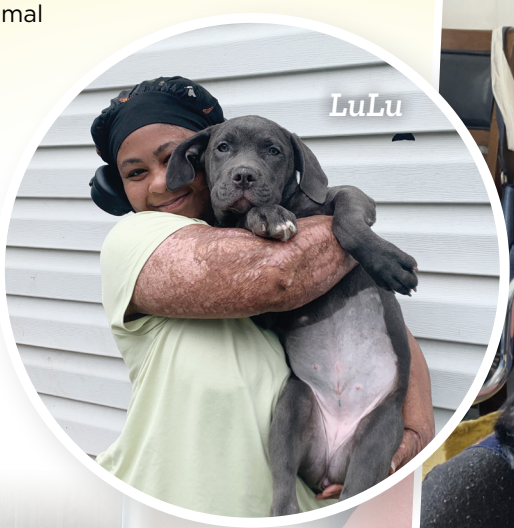
PETA's fieldworkers travel tens of thousands of miles annually to reach animals in underserved communities. When we found Sasha, she was immobile and actively dying in a dirt hole she had dug for herself, urinating blood, struggling to breathe, infested with fleas, and severely anemic. We provided the compassionate end-of-life help she urgently needed.



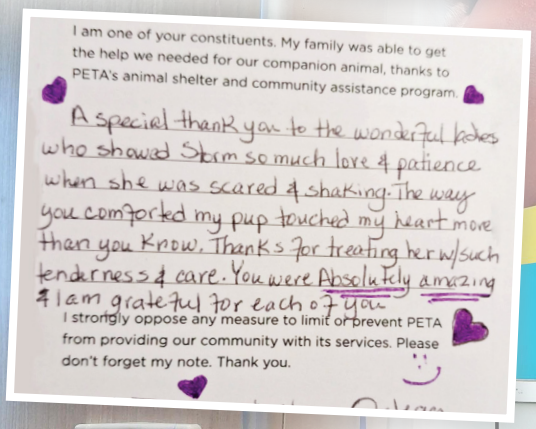
Read more about the animals we helped this quarter. ▶▶

Preventing Companion

During this quarter, the veterinary staff on our mobile spay/neuter clinics sterilized **3,621 animal companions**, including **LuLu** and **Sky**, who were among the **215 animals** PETA's Community Animal Project fieldworkers transported for free to and from their no-cost spay/neuter appointments. We also spayed **Storm** after her guardian sought help for hematuria (blood in the urine) and complications related to being unspayed. The next day, our veterinary staff performed surgery and removed a large ovarian cyst completely free of charge for her adoring guardian.






I am one of your constituents. My family was able to get the help we needed for our companion animal, thanks to PETA's animal shelter and community assistance program.

A special thank you to the wonderful ladies who showed Storm so much love & patience when she was scared & shaking. The way you comforted my pup touched my heart more than you know. Thanks for treating her w/such tenderness & care. You were Absolutely amazing & I am grateful for each of you

I strongly oppose any measure to limit or prevent PETA from providing our community with its services. Please don't forget my note. Thank you.

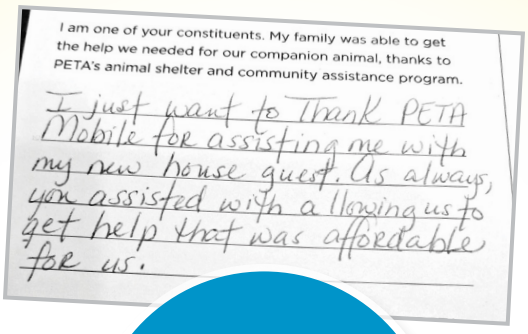


We partnered with Gloucester Animal Control again to provide free veterinary care in this underserved rural Virginia community. In just one day, **54 cats** and **17 dogs** were "fixed" at no cost to their guardians, bringing the total number of animals helped through this ongoing collaboration to nearly **500** this year alone.

Animal Homelessness

PETA's Mobile Clinics Division has spayed or neutered 262,062 animals since 2001!




I am one of your constituents. My family was able to get the help we needed for our companion animal, thanks to PETA's animal shelter and community assistance program.

I just want to Thank PETA Mobile for assisting me with my new house guest. As always, you assisted with a llowing us to get help that was affordable for us.

More than 11,000 animals have been sterilized through our fleet of low-cost mobile clinics this year.





We removed **Cookie**'s painful, damaged eye during her spay surgery for a nominal donation, a fraction of what the procedure would have cost at a traditional veterinary clinic.



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.





PETA assisted the **Rockbridge County Sheriff's Office** in Virginia with the large-scale seizure of approximately 70 cats from a hoarding case. Animal protection agencies from across the Commonwealth collaborated in the effort.







We also coordinated and sponsored assistance for a case in **Wythe County**, Virginia, after an animal control officer asked for help because the county shelter does not take in cats. Thanks to the Twin County Humane Society in Galax, over 25 cats were trapped and rescued from the home of a recently deceased hoarder.



PETA is offering a reward of up to $10,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person responsible for torturing and abandoning Rambo, a Yorkshire terrier found in a Norfolk field with devastating and ultimately fatal injuries. Rambo had been adopted from Virginia Beach Animal Services just two months earlier, having been surrendered due to a death in the family. Veterinary examinations before and after his death revealed repeated abuse, including fractured ribs, a separated pelvis, blood in one eye and an ulcer in the other, and deep, widespread bruising.





In collaboration with **Dogs Deserve Better Blue Ridge** and the **Rockbridge County Sheriff's Office**, we secured the surrender of a severely unsocialized dog who had spent more than a decade isolated in a makeshift pen. Never given a name and untouched for years, Bonnie suffered extreme psychological damage and is terrified of human contact.





A man showed up at PETA's Sam Simon Center with two severely emaciated dogs he claimed he had found as strays. One of the dogs was so weak and skeletal that she collapsed in the parking lot. PETA immediately alerted the Norfolk Animal Protection Unit, which dispatched an officer to rush the dogs to an emergency veterinary hospital. PETA's subsequent investigation revealed that the man had owned the dogs since at least 2021. Cruelty-to-animals and abandonment charges are anticipated.

Helping People Keep and Care For Their Animals

This quarter, we spent $1,015,625 on local services, providing all field assistance free of charge to residents.

One of the **682 requests** for assistance PETA received this quarter came from **Lucy**'s family after the young dog developed widespread hair loss and thickened, itchy skin. Our medical staff treated her, and just one month later, Lucy was healthy enough to be spayed, all completely free of charge to her family.


Lucy before



Lucy after


Gomita before



After local groomers declined to help **Gomita** because of her temperament, two fieldworkers spent 90 minutes patiently removing thick mats of fur before applying flea prevention. We assisted **255 families** like hers in keeping and caring for their animal companions this quarter.

This quarter, we delivered custom-built, insulated doghouses to 24 dogs kept chained and/or penned outdoors day and night in all weather extremes.


Diamond before


Diamond after

We provided **Diamond** with much-needed grooming, helping her feel fresher and more comfortable during the summer heat.

We got **Bubba** out of a dark, cramped homemade pen by providing and erecting a new enclosure where he can feel the grass beneath his feet. We also added a sturdy wooden doghouse and a metal A-frame topper for shade.


Bubba before


Bubba after


Bentley before


Bentley after

We gave Bentley—who had been chained with only uninsulated plastic containers for shelter—a sturdy wooden doghouse and a 15-foot lightweight tie-out. We neutered him, too.

Shelter Partnership Placements

We transferred 130 companion animals to our shelter partners for adoption.


Shelly before



Shelly at Norfolk SPCA

We secured the relinquishment of **Shelly**, who was flea-infested and locked in a rusty wire crate outside. We transferred her to Norfolk SPCA for adoption, and she was among the **763** animals admitted to our shelter this quarter.



Florence before

At Virginia Beach SPCA

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

We responded to a tip about a very underweight dog and found two malnourished, parasite-infested puppies as well. We secured custody of **Florence** and her littermate and worked with local law enforcement to ensure the mother dog was removed from the property. We transferred the puppies to Virginia Beach SPCA for medical care and eventual adoption.

Free End-of-Life Services



After Ali's guardian was told he would have to wait a month for an appointment at a local clinic, he was referred to PETA. He brought Ali to PETA's shelter for free end-of-life services, as the senior dog was struggling with worsening incontinence and degenerative myelopathy, an incurable disease that causes progressive hind-end weakness and eventual paralysis. **Ali** was among the **202 animals** we euthanized this quarter at no cost to families who couldn't afford to pay for this vital humane service at a private veterinary clinic.



We provided free emergency euthanasia for this **kitten**, who, along with two littermates, was found actively dying on a front porch. The kittens were cold to the touch, barely responsive, and flea-infested, and their eyes were nearly sealed shut by mucoid discharge. They were among the **623** animals we euthanized this quarter.



This quarter, 1,040 of our constituent families sent postcards to their elected officials in support of our services, including compassionate euthanasia—a free service that only PETA's animal shelter provides in the region.

Among the animals we euthanized were **275 free-roaming cats** suffering from various conditions, including advanced upper respiratory infections, anemia, infected wounds, and partial paralysis, and/or actively dying. This cat had likely been attacked by a larger animal and was found with multiple traumatic injuries, including a broken jaw and many maggot-infested wounds.



In-House Adoptions

This quarter, PETA found homes for **Malcom**, **Ivy**, **Kylian**, **Leo**, **Odie**, and **Tinkerbelle**, among others.


Ivy


Malcolm


Kylian

Leo


Odie


Tinkerbelle



Chief before

Chief was adopted from Virginia Beach Animal Services in 2020 and then spent six years confined to a pen, isolated and neglected in rural North Carolina. Upon surrender to PETA, he was underweight, severely matted, and heartworm-positive and had bloody, raw ear tips from fly bites. Chief is now recovering at our Norfolk shelter.



Chief after



Rock before



Rock (now Egan!) after

After spending 1.5 years routinely visiting **Rock** and providing food, water, shade, grooming, and companionship, PETA fieldworkers finally secured his rescue from a life of isolation in an outdoor cage. Today, Rock (now Egan) is enjoying life indoors with his new family.



Bella is one of countless dogs in North Carolina who spend every day and every night at the end of a chain, forced to eat, sleep, urinate, and defecate in one tiny patch of dirt *for years*.

Please support our work to strengthen animal welfare standards across North Carolina to protect dogs like **Bella** from dangerous weather conditions, neglect, and abuse.

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