

JUNEAU ANIMAL RESCUE

2022 Annual Report



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Not Just An Animal Shelter



Juneau Animal Rescue (JAR) is a private, non-profit shelter, located in Juneau, AK. JAR has served Juneau's animal population since 1963 and provides many animal-related services that both serve our pet-loving community and help generate income to further our mission. We are continually grateful for your generous support.

To all our fellow animal lovers, thank you.



Our Mission

To serve our community by promoting animal welfare and strengthening the animal-human bond.

To improve the lives of pets through education and protection.

To shelter stray, abandoned, and surrendered pets and find them loving homes.



A Message from the Executive Director



2022 proved to be a challenging but exciting year for Juneau Animal Rescue. Although the slowdown in Covid-19 risk allowed us to reopen animal visitation and invite volunteers back, we saw an unprecedented influx of animals come into the shelter due to animals impounded through Animal Control, and not being claimed, and a large number of owner-relinquished animals. An increase in dog licensing for the year was an encouraging turn. Our aging facility again needed attention, but with the help of a grant and a generous donation, we were able to complete the addition of a surgical suite in the JAR clinic.

This year, we hired a Veterinarian/Clinical Director, significantly expanding the clinical services JAR provides to the public. With Covid-19 finally in the rearview mirror, we were gleefully able to resume our fundraising events. The board of directors also expanded its reach, increasing its board membership to 13, creating additional policies, finalizing a strategic plan, and forming new subcommittees. All these exciting changes make us incredibly excited for the new year.

For the second year in a row, unprecedented numbers of animals came into the shelter. We had intake volumes that we haven't seen in 20 years. Impounded animals that were not claimed increased by 49%, and other owner-relinquished animals increased by 29%. This resulted in a 42% increase of animals in our adoption program. We had over 15 litters of kittens come through our shelter this year as well as many hard-to-place animals with behavioral issues that were surrendered. Luckily, with the help of the community, including an outpouring of support from both foster parents and adopters alike, we were able to increase our adoption numbers to match this high volume of intake. Our dog adoptions increased by 34% and our cat adoptions increased by an astonishing 66%.

A Message from the Executive Director

Our Animal Control and Protection team saw an increase in many of their activities in 2022. We're happy to report that we were able to increase the number of animals that were returned to owner in the field by 9% and returned to owner at the shelter by 4%. While there was a decrease of 12% in bites to animals, there was a 13% increase in bites to humans and a 19% increase in calls requiring action. On a good note, our officers had a 34% decrease in citations that were issued and a 9% decrease in interactions with aggressive people. We also saw an 11% increase in dog licensing for the year, which we found very encouraging.

Our aging facility gave us a little bit of a break this year, compared to others, by requiring only a few large repairs. We replaced almost all the original kennel windows, with the remaining windows already purchased and in our possession, ready to install in the spring of 2023. We also addressed an intermittent fire alarm system communication issue and restored the system to full functionality. We are pleased to report that we have been awarded an additional ASPCA Grant for cat kennel upgrades and new dangerous dog kennel upgrades to meet recommended standards.

Our most exciting accomplishment this year was the expansion of our in-house clinic to include a new surgical suite and surgical recovery area. This was possible due to a generous donation of \$30,000 by 100 Women Who Care Juneau and an ASPCA Northern Tier Shelter Initiative Grant for \$27,000. These two together paid for the renovations, equipment, and startup costs. With the addition of this in-house clinic, and the added Veterinarian position, we were able to help stem the tide of some basic veterinary needs, as a sudden and severe veterinary shortage reduced the availability of veterinary care in the community. During the height of the shortage, JAR began offering emergency euthanasia services when local veterinarians were not available. With the addition of our clinic, not only were we able to expand what types of vaccinations pets could receive at our weekly vaccine clinic, but we began in-house spay and neuter surgeries for all our own adoption animals. In November, we began performing high-quality, high-volume spaying and neutering for pets of public households. Our spaying and neutering services are available to low-income qualified individuals at a discounted rate. Our in-house clinic and skilled veterinary team helped us to successfully care for the record number of animals that entered our facility in 2022.



A Message from the Executive Director

This year also brought many staffing changes to Juneau Animal Rescue, and we are excited about our experienced new staff and the expertise that they will share with us as we move forward. After hiring our new Clinical Director/Veterinarian, Dr. Tracy Ward, we needed to staff our JAR clinic further, so our Licensed Veterinary Technician was moved full-time to the clinic from her position as Kennel Director. We love to hire from within our own organization, so our Doggy Daycare Coordinator became our Kennel Director. In turn, one of our Kennel Technicians took over as the new Doggy Daycare Coordinator. We also added a new Customer Service Representative after one of our employees moved on to pursue career opportunities elsewhere. By filling vacancies through promotion, we have retained experienced team members, ensuring continuity in care for the animals and humans we serve.

Our fundraising efforts were fantastic this year, due mostly to our generous supporters. Not only was our annual Beer and Wine Tasting/Silent Auction successful in making over \$45,000, but we also hosted a very successful Whale Watch Fundraiser in the summer, complete with breaching Humpbacks on a crystal-clear day! Juneau Animal Rescue was also honored to be selected by the Alaska CHARR organization as their Charity Auction Dinner Partner at their 51st Annual Convention. We were overwhelmed by the outpouring of support for our organization at this Charity Auction dinner, which raised over \$61,000 for Juneau Animal Rescue and the animals we serve. We are also excited to announce that we have recently added Juneau Animal Rescue Membership options and Planned Giving information to our website, for those who wish to give in other ways.

2023 marks the 60th anniversary of Juneau Animal Rescue. I'm so proud of the work our board of directors, staff, and supporters do daily to grow our organization to meet the ever-expanding needs of our community. Many exciting changes are in the works for 2023. Mark your calendars to save the date for our special 60th Anniversary Gala on April 1st, 2023! We look forward to serving Juneau for the next 60 plus years and ensuring our legacy of caring for animals in need endures.

Samantha Blankenship

Samantha Blankenship
Executive Director
Juneau Animal Rescue



Welcome Dr. Ward



We had many changes in the clinic this year! Dr. Tracy Ward started as our Clinic Director/Shelter Veterinarian on March 1, and our previous Clinic Director, Jocelyn, remained on as Licensed Veterinary Technician. In October, we hired a new Clinic Assistant, which has allowed us to expand our surgical capacity even further. Grants from 100 Women Who Care and ASPCA allowed us to purchase a used surgery table, surgery lights, and surgical instruments, as well as fully stock our new clinic with up-to-date medications and supplies.

A scholarship from the ASPCA sent Dr. Ward to the ASPCA Pro surgery course, where she learned the latest High Volume/High Quality spay and neuter techniques from ASPCA instructors. In addition, the clinic staff at the Anchorage ASPCA and Anchorage Municipal Shelter hosted Dr. Ward and Jocelyn for a week, giving them an opportunity to observe and practice with their experienced staffs.

We hit the ground running in May and were able to begin doing spay and neuter surgeries “in house” prior to the unfortunate closure of Southeast Alaska Animal Medical Center, who had performed these surgeries for us for the previous seven years. In November, we began to provide spay/neuter services for publicly owned animals, helping to ease the ongoing veterinary shortage in Juneau.

This year, we conducted 309 spay and neuter surgeries on JAR animals and 19 surgeries on public animals, primarily for low-income qualified individuals. We are confident that we can do much more in 2023!

Our Services

- Boarding
- Doggy Day Care
- Vaccine & Microchip
- Self Groom Room
- Animal Control & Protection
- Spaying & Neutering
- Seniors for Seniors



Call (907) 789-0260 for more information about our services.

Animal Control & Protection

JAR provides domestic animal control and protection services for all animals that come within the legal animal control authority of the City and Borough of Juneau, and provides for the housing, care, feeding, and disposition of the animals.



JAR's Animal Control Officers provide protection, investigation, and enforcement for animal-related ordinances.



Online Options

- Renew and pay for your dog's license.
- License a new dog.
- Upload proof of current rabies vaccine.
- Update your contact information.
- Change the altered status of your pet.
- Upload proof of a spay or neuter.
- Mark your pet as lost, no longer owned, or deceased.



Don't forget to license your dog by January 1st each year!

**After March 31st, 2023, there is a \$15.00 late fee for each license.*

License Fees

- *\$20 for altered (spayed or neutered) dogs*
- *\$45 for unaltered dogs.*

Ways to Donate

Monthly

Make a monthly donation

Legacy

Make an estate gift to Juneau Animal Rescue and make a long-lasting contribution to the welfare of many animals cared for at our shelter.

Wish List

Check out our most frequently needed items.

Shop to Donate

Choose Juneau Animal Rescue as your charity of choice when you shop.

Donation in Memory Of

If you have a friend or relative who has recently suffered the loss of a beloved pet, or you yourself have, a donation made in the pet's name is a wonderful and meaningful memorial.

In order to make a donation in memory of a pet or a person, please call us directly at 907-789-0260.

Donation In Honor Of

A donation made In Honor of someone is a wonderful way to celebrate their birthday, or any special day! In order to make a donation in honor of a person, please call us directly at 907-789-0260.

You can donate via the JAR website, call us at 907-789-0260 and make a contribution over the phone, or come to donate in person!

Special Funds



Spay & Neuter Fund

Donations made to the Spay & Neuter Fund are used to provide spay and neuter assistance to individuals who cannot afford this surgery for their pet, and/or to offset the cost of our in-house spay & neuter program for the animals we adopt out.

Greatest Need Fund

Donations to this fund go to support whatever the greatest need is at the time of the donation. That may be food, veterinary care, or even new beds. Greatest need refers to what is most needed by the animals we care for, right now.

2nd Chance Fund

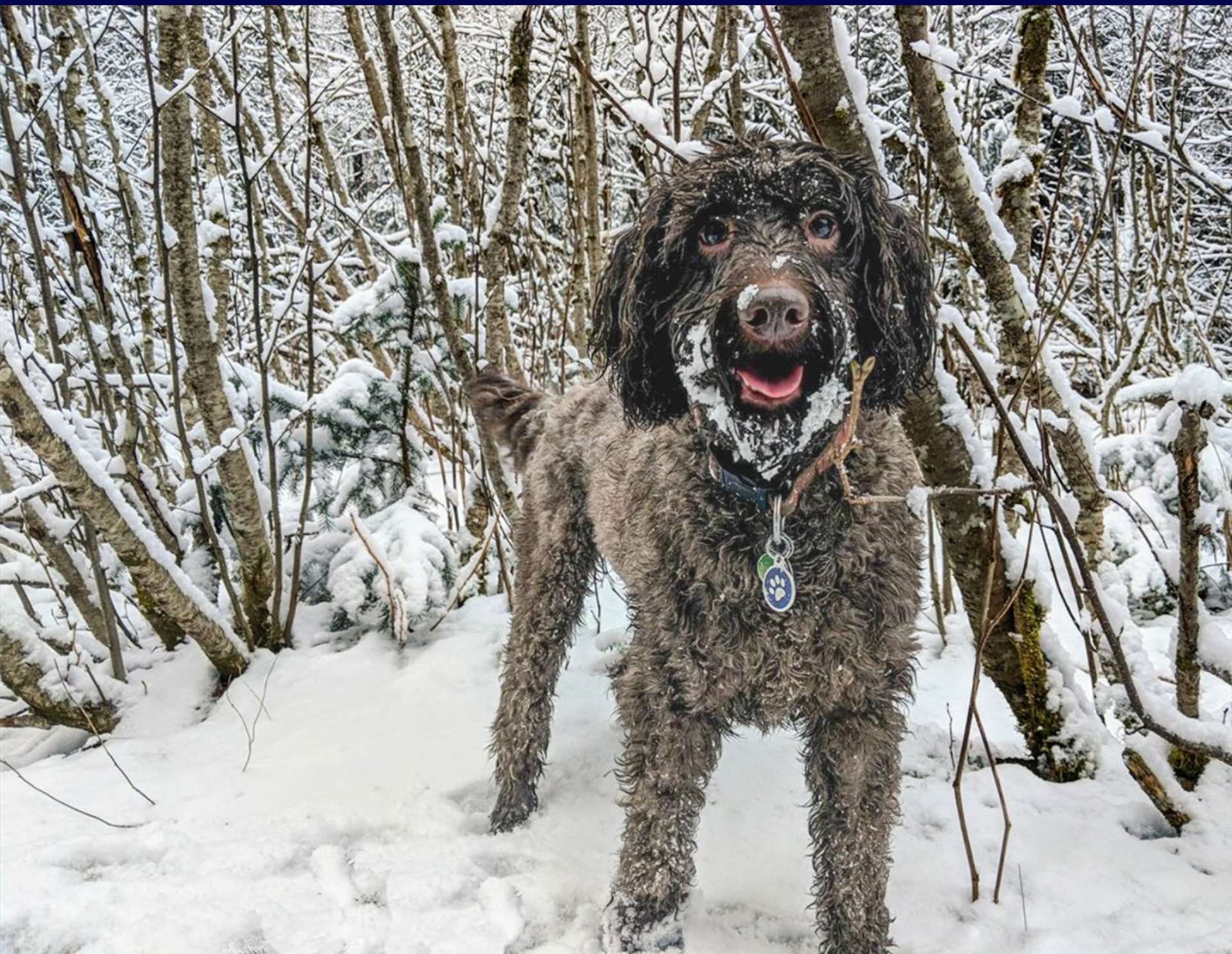
Assists animals who need special care in order to live their lives in the healthiest and happiest way possible. JAR relies solely on donations to the Second Chance Fund to cover the costs of medical needs beyond vaccines and spay and neuter services for our animals.

Compassionate Care Fund

This fund assists those people who know the time has come for their animal but who are unable to afford the cost of providing compassionate end-of-life care for their animal.



A Legacy of Happiness



JAR continues to grow to meet the needs of the community through the generosity of donors. A planned gift to JAR can leave a loving and lasting legacy now and in the future. The most common way to give a planned gift is through a will or trust. Because most people don't use all of their retirement assets in their lifetime, JAR can be named as a beneficiary of the remainder of your IRA, 401(k), 403(b), pension, or other retirement account. IRAs also offer many flexible ways to give to non-profit organizations like JAR as you age. If you intend to leave a planned gift to JAR, please let us know so that we may express our gratitude and appreciation.

Become a JAR Member

Being a Juneau Animal Rescue Member allows you to support the organization and know you're making an immediate difference in the lives of pets in need! All members receive a membership card with membership fees going to our Greatest Need Fund. This fund provides support for JAR's immediate needs, whether food, veterinary care, or even new beds.

Membership Level	Tier Gift	Gift Amount
Bronze Paw	Exclusive JAR Membership sticker	\$50 - \$249
Silver Paw	Exclusive JAR Membership sticker; JAR coffee mug, pint glass, car magnet OR JAR wine glass	\$250 - \$499
Gold Paw	Exclusive JAR Membership sticker; JAR twill cap, trucker cap, OR JAR short sleeve tee	\$500 - \$999
Platinum Paw	Exclusive JAR Membership sticker; JAR aluminum water bottle OR long sleeve tee; advance purchase for JAR event tickets	\$1,000 - \$4,999
Diamond Paw	Exclusive JAR Membership sticker; JAR hoodie; 2 free tickets to each JAR event; personal guided shelter tour	\$5,000+

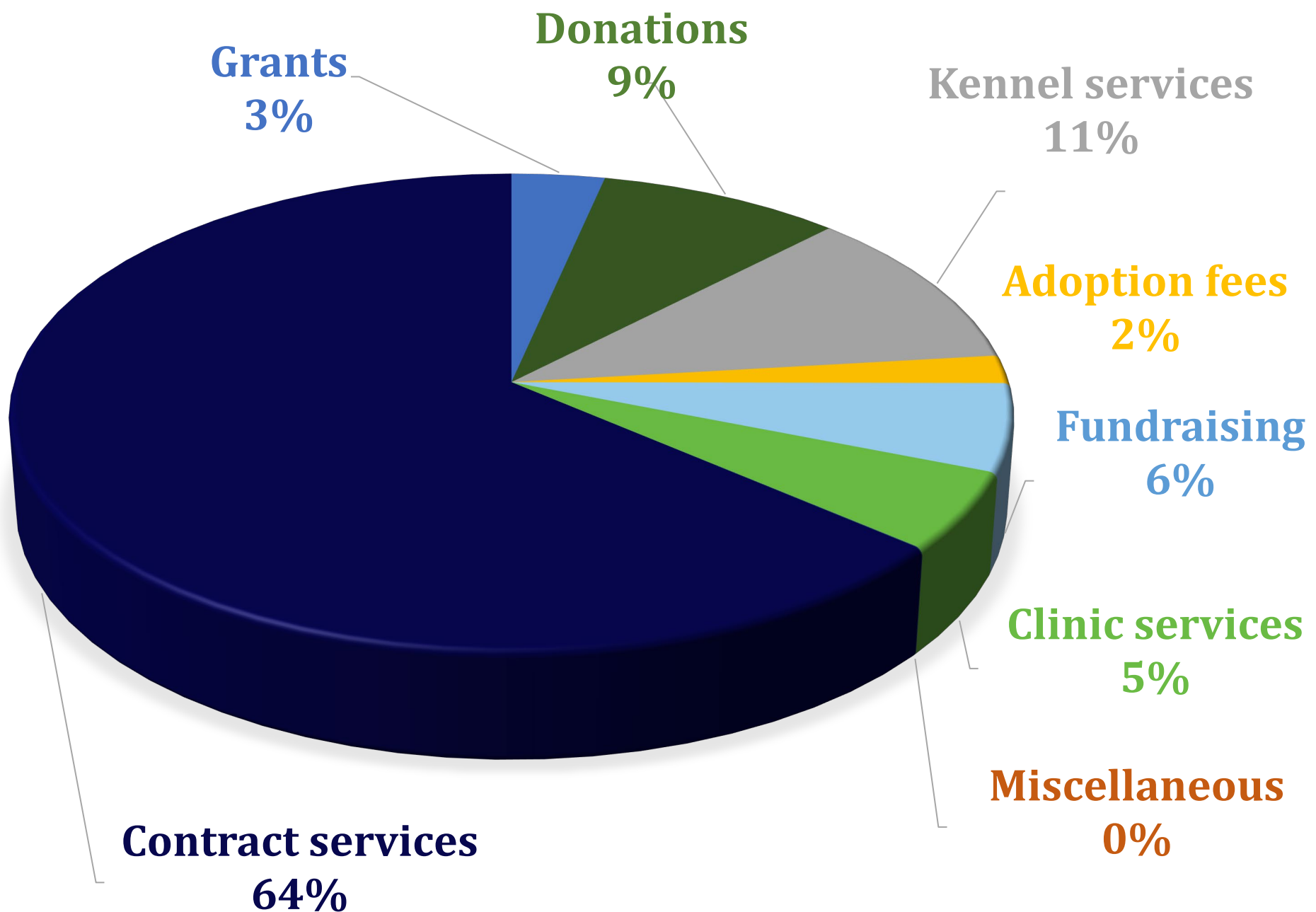
Fundraising

	Donations	Fundraisers	Grants	Grand Total
January	\$ 22,745.76	\$ 11,608.00		\$ 34,353.76
February	\$ 8,954.46	\$ 46,134.00	\$ 27,000.00	\$ 82,088.46
March	\$ 6,494.77	\$ 997.00		\$ 7,491.77
April	\$ 8,279.90	\$ 151.00	\$ 25,629.93	\$ 34,060.83
May	\$ 7,680.31	\$ 10,976.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 21,156.31
June	\$ 12,981.67	\$ 9,435.00		\$ 22,416.67
July	\$ 6,886.42	\$ 39,929.60		\$ 46,816.02
August	\$ 7,846.40	\$ 4,746.39		\$ 12,592.79
September	\$ 139,243.23	\$ 6,763.92		\$ 146,007.15
October	\$ 15,095.64	\$ 17,139.40		\$ 32,235.04
November	\$ 13,125.48	\$ 54,995.00		\$ 68,120.48
December	\$ 26,214.13	\$ 8,063.00		\$ 34,277.13
Grand Total	\$ 275,548.17	\$ 210,938.31	\$ 55,129.93	\$ 541,616.41



Finances

Fiscal Year 2022*
Total Income: \$1,622,680

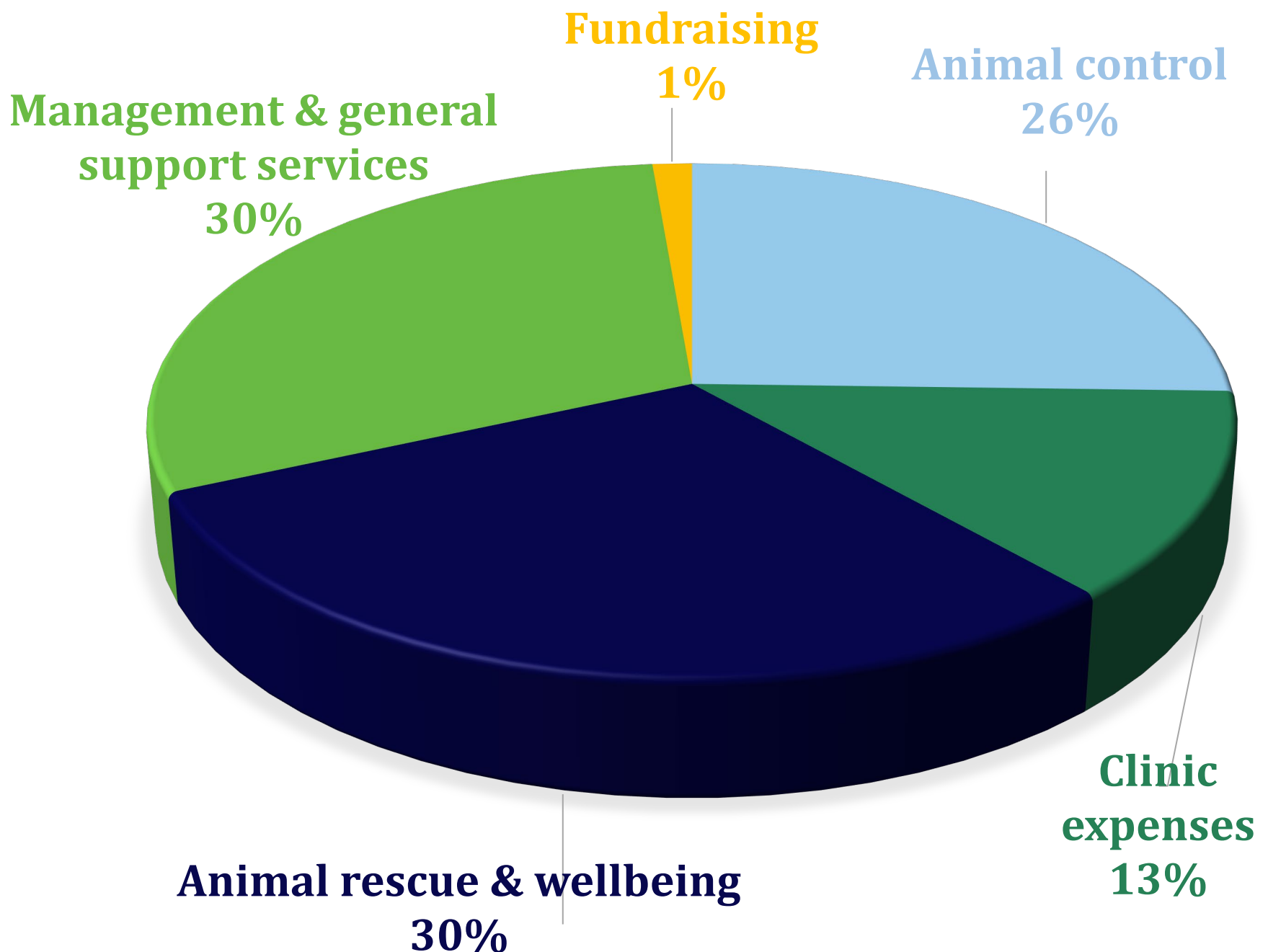


*The Fiscal Year runs from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.

Finances

Fiscal Year 2022*

Total Operating Expenses: \$1,608,159

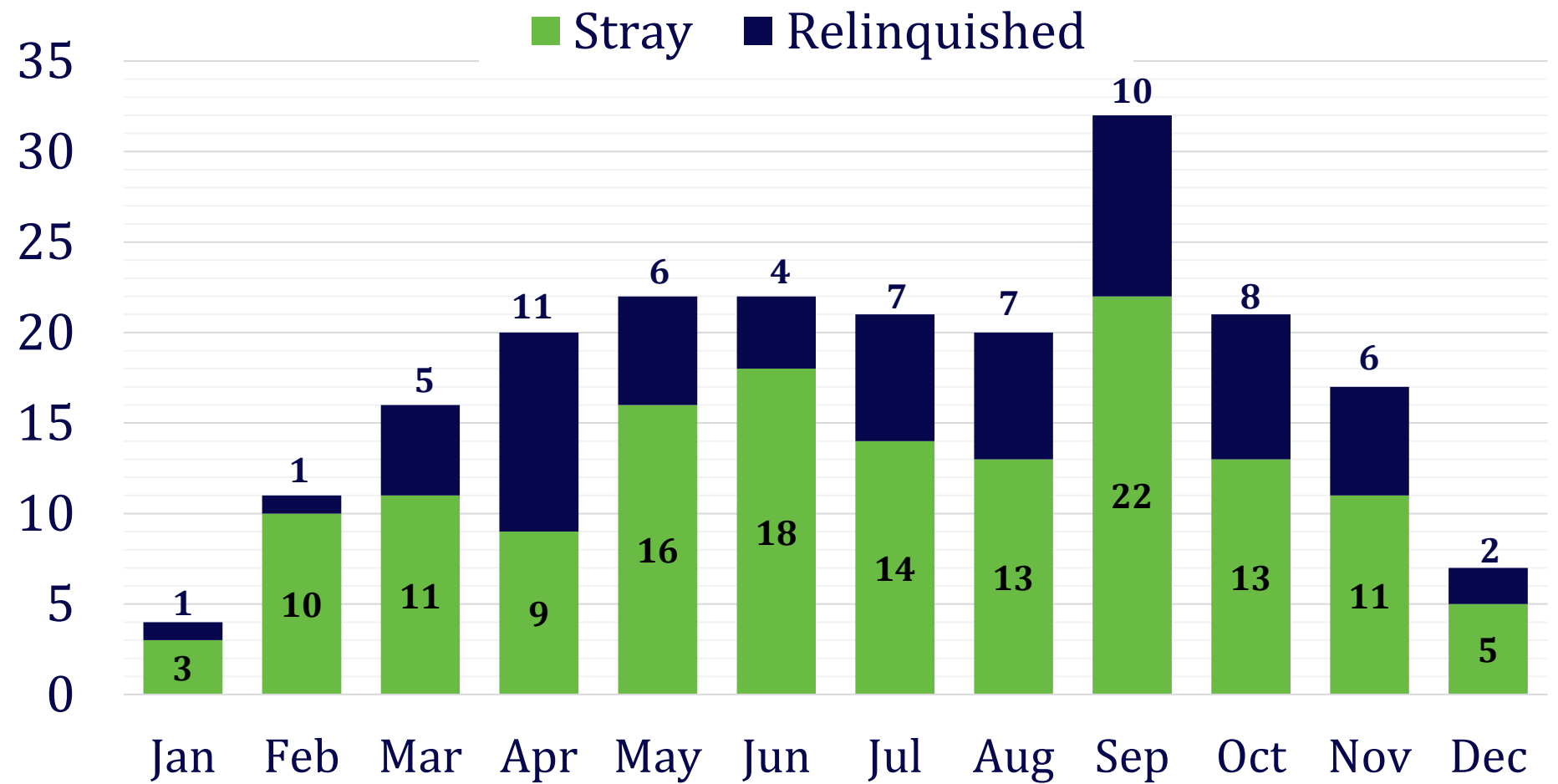


Contract service expenses include animal control, animal rescue & wellbeing, and management & general support services.

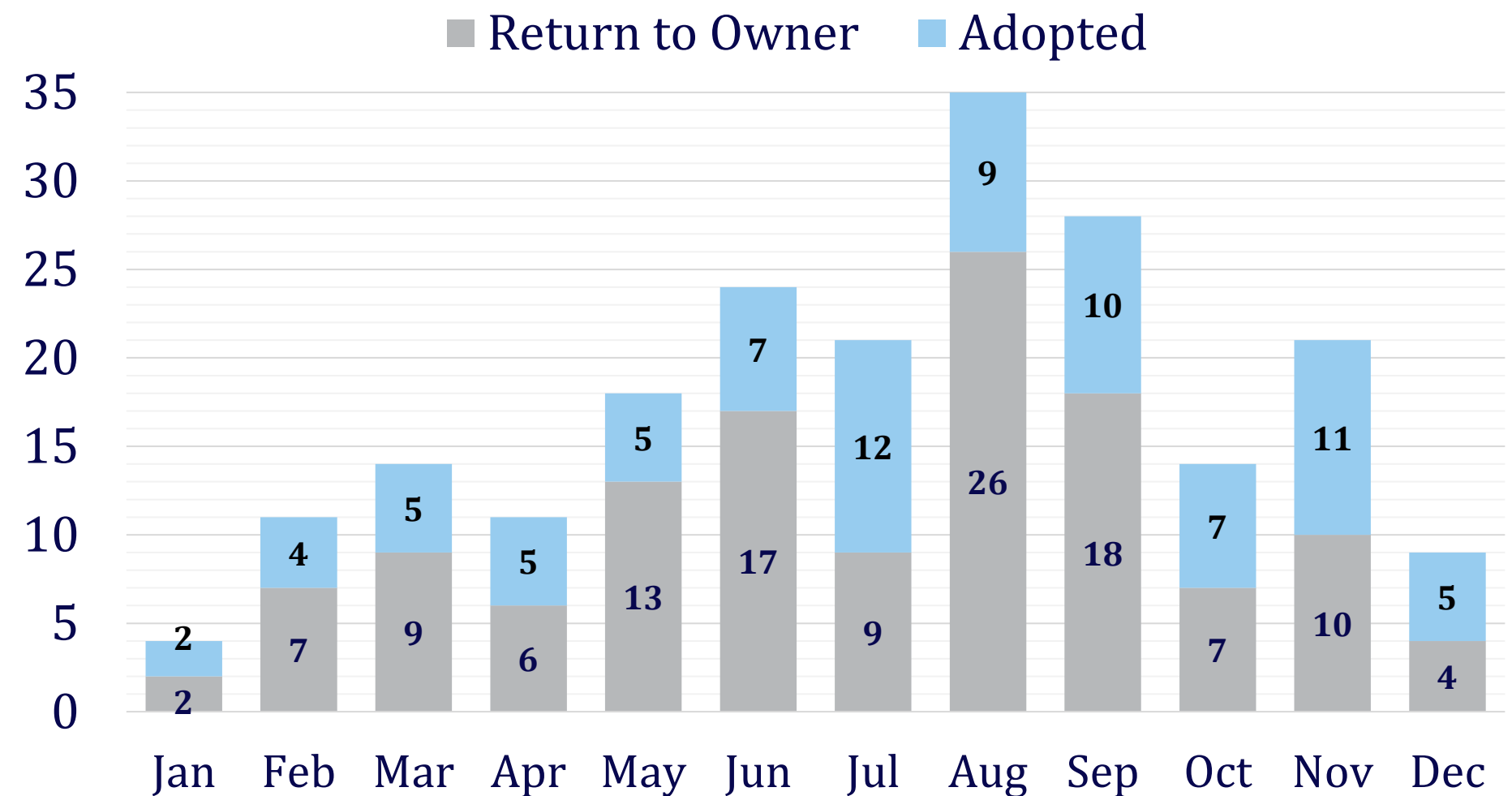
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Shelter Stats - Dogs

INCOMING - 213 Total



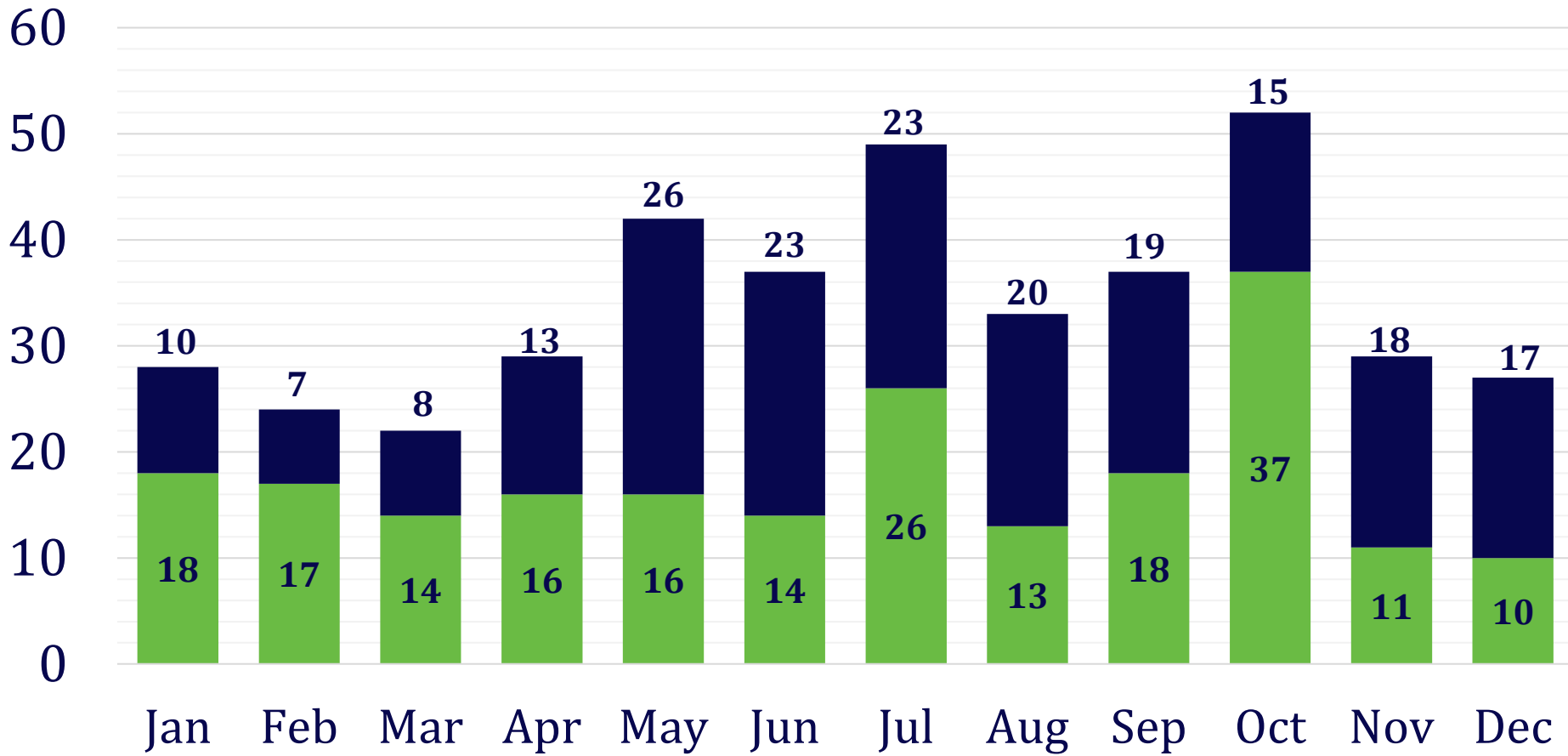
OUTGOING - 210 Total



Shelter Stats - Cats

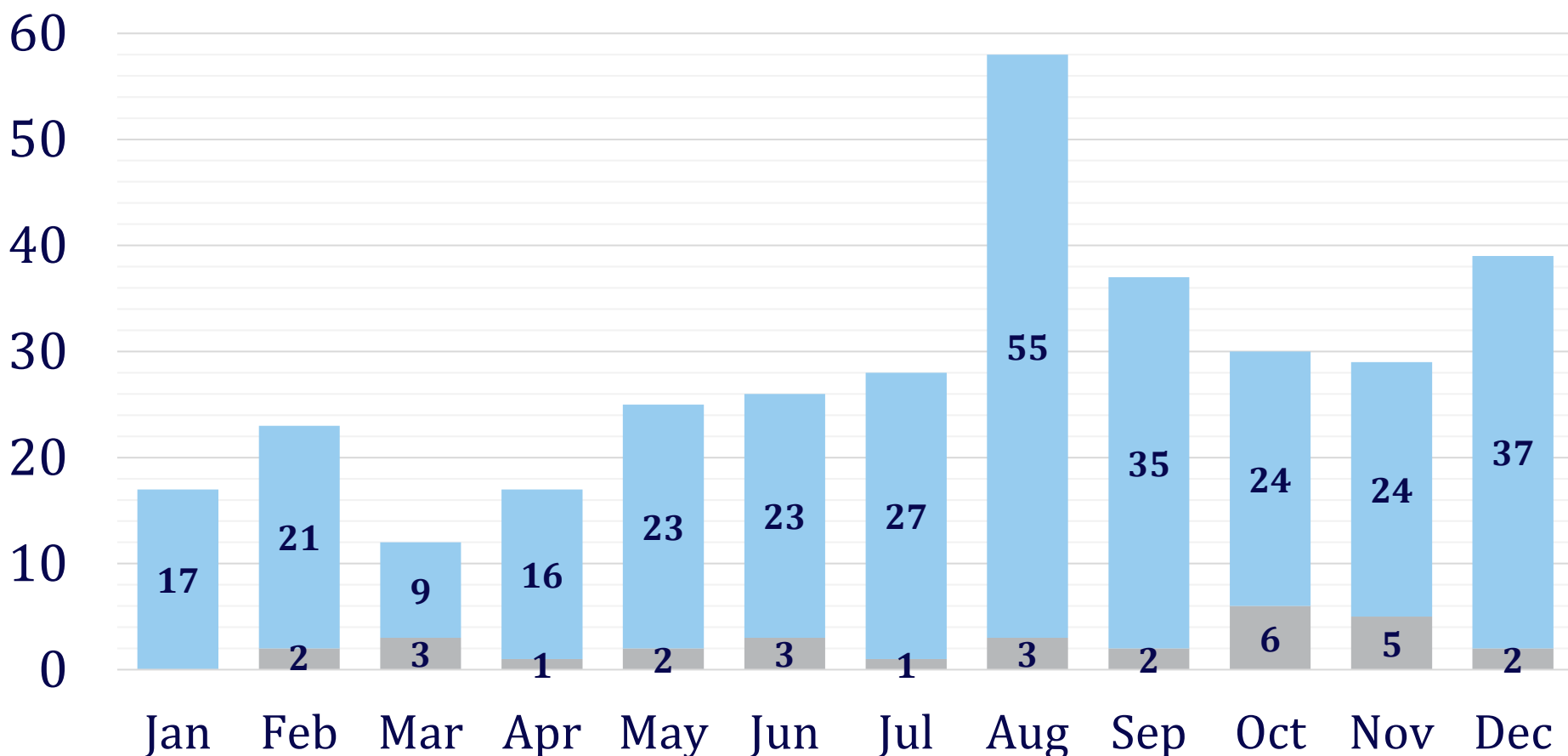
INCOMING - 409 Total

■ Stray ■ Relinquished



OUTGOING - 341 Total

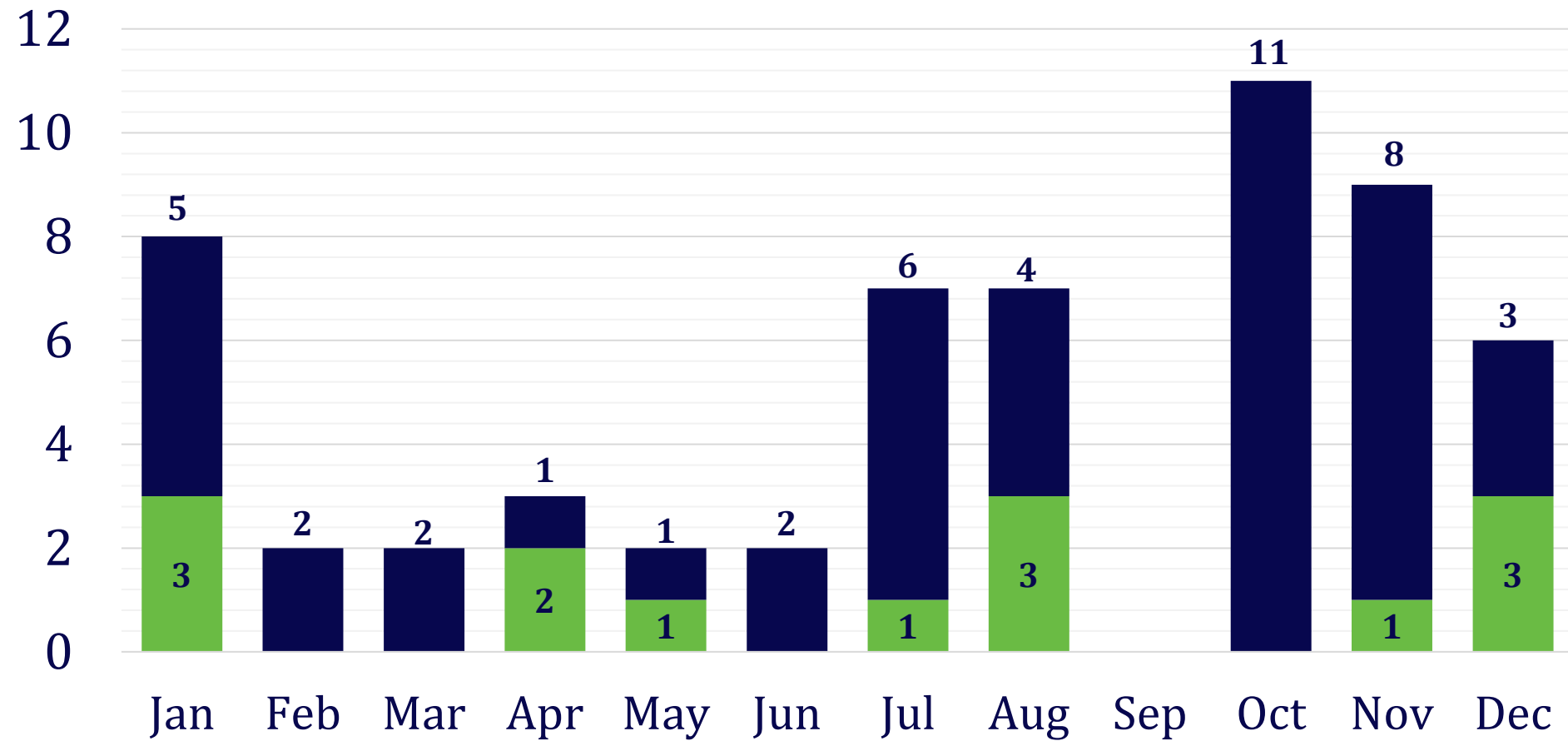
■ Return to Owner ■ Adopted



Shelter Stats - Other

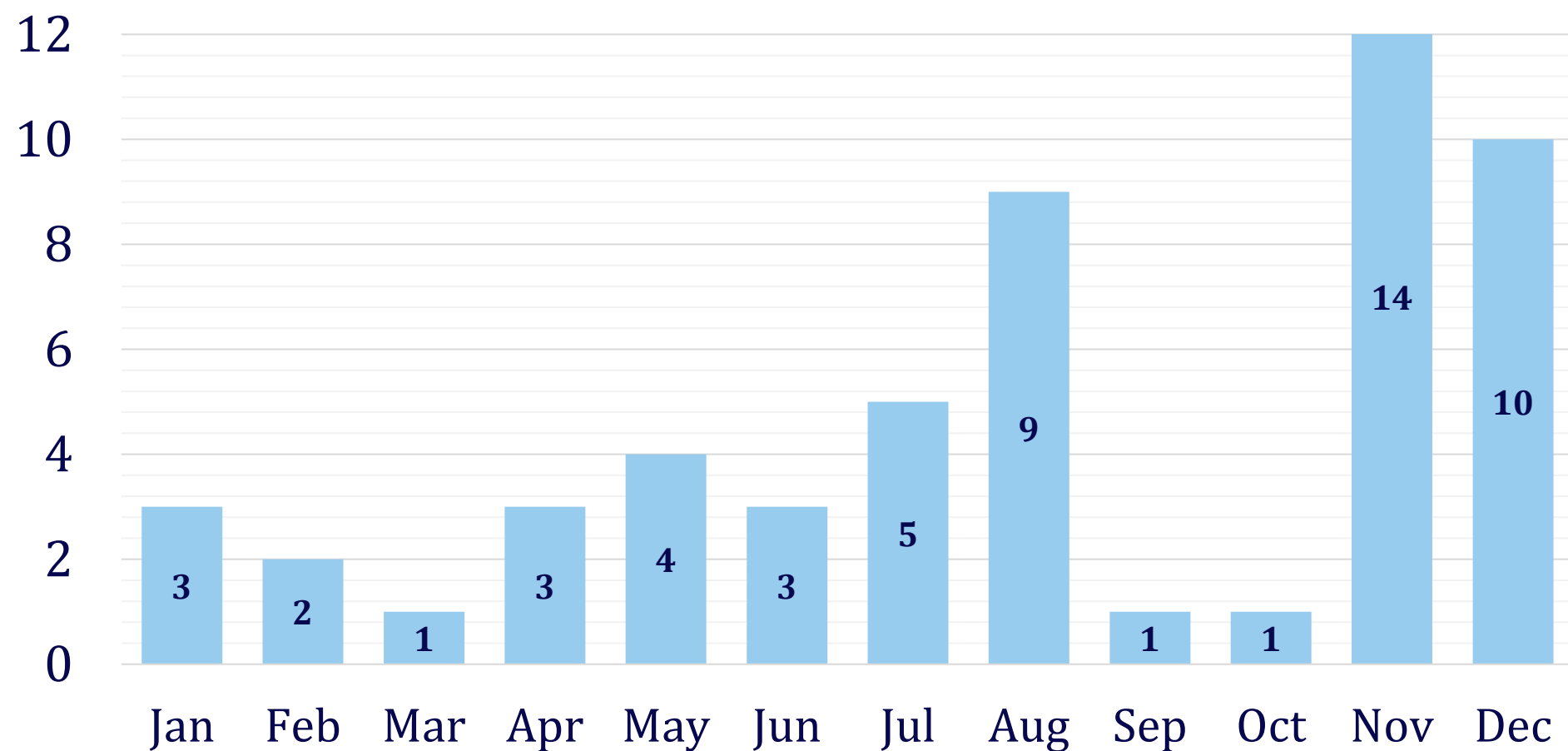
INCOMING - 59 Total

■ Stray ■ Relinquished



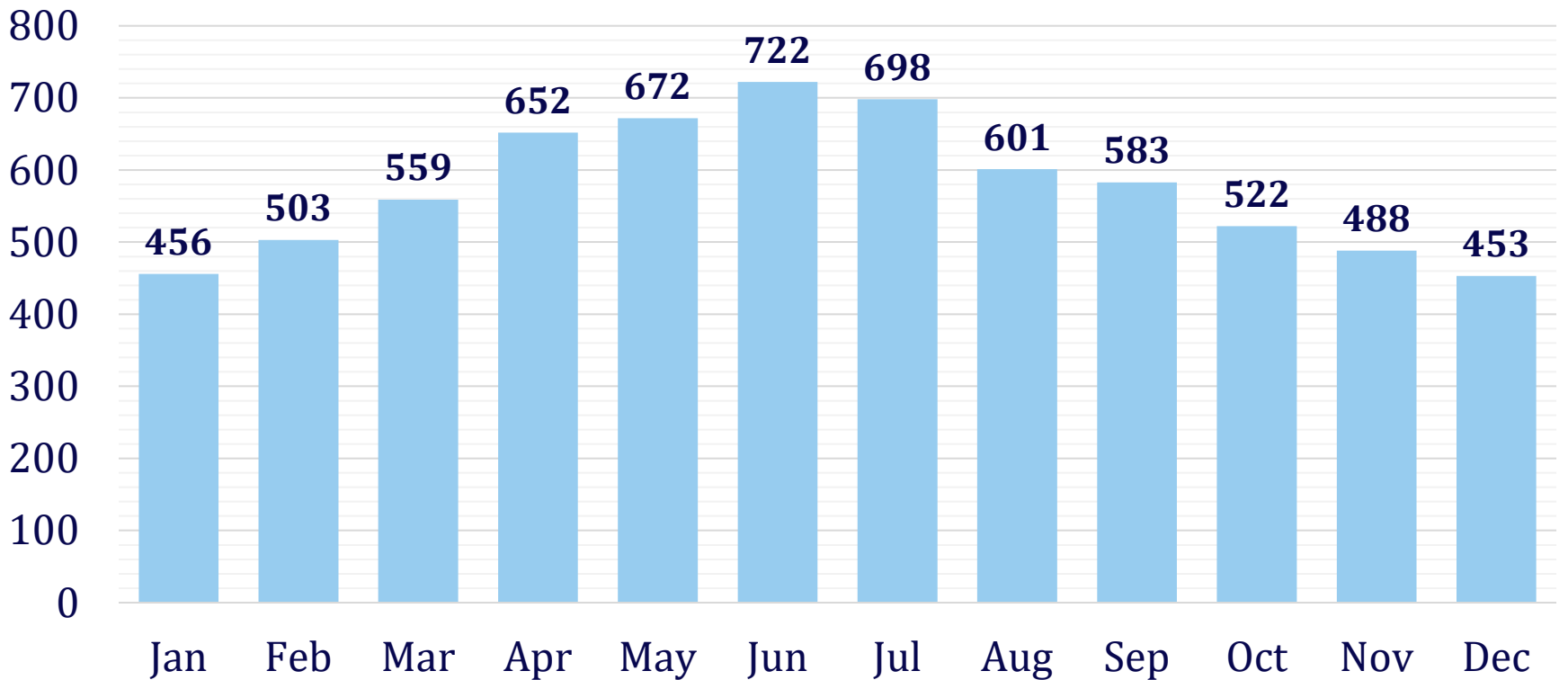
OUTGOING - 56 Total

■ Return to Owner ■ Adopted

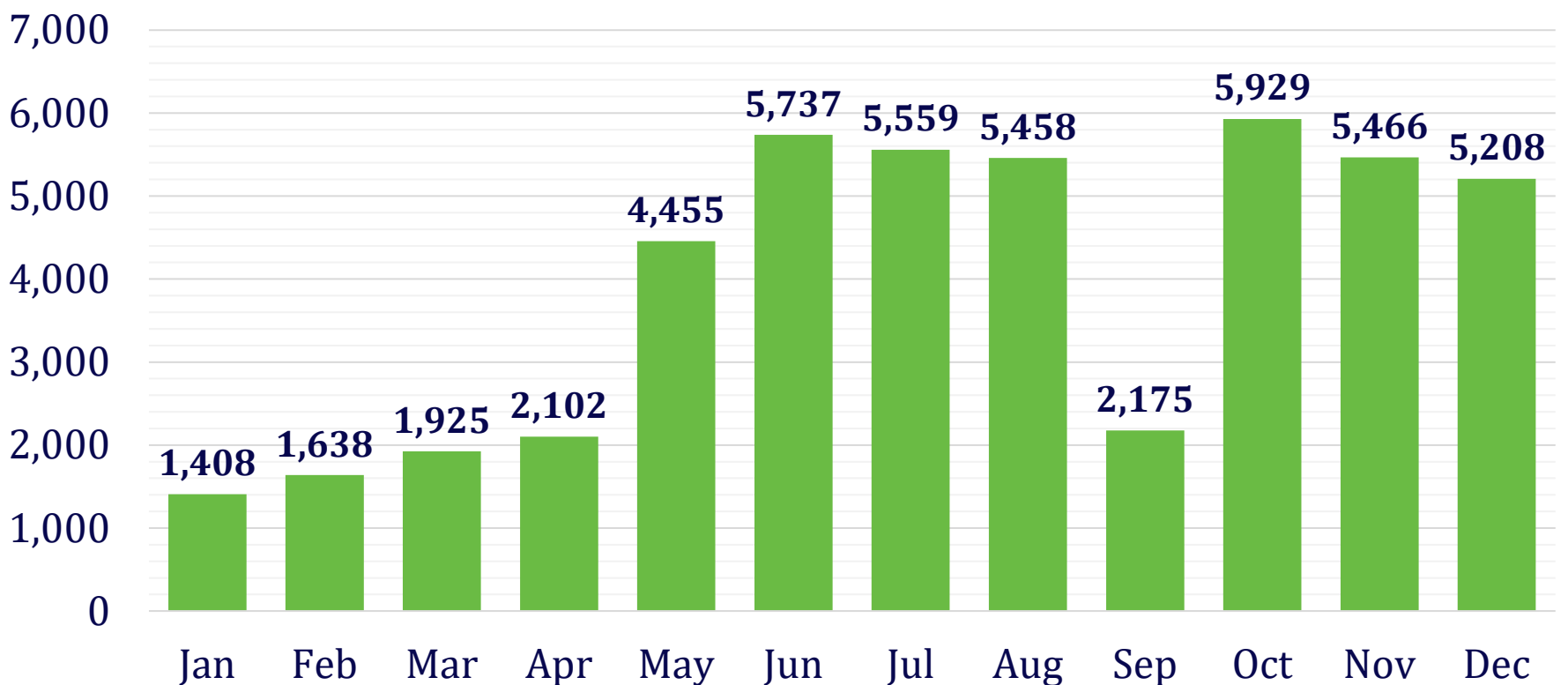


Shelter Stats

Animal Control Calls Requiring Action



Visitors to the Shelter



Employee Spotlight



This year Juneau Animal Rescue would like to highlight longtime employee and "Cat Whisperer" Monica Puustinen for her many years of dedication and hard work for Juneau Animal Rescue and the animals we serve. If you have ever visited Juneau animal rescue and engaged with any of our staff while meeting with adoption cats, you have probably met Monica. Monica is Juneau Animal Rescue's longest serving staff member, and a valued member of our Kennel Technician team.

As our in-house cat expert and main cat caretaker here at the shelter, Monica not only cares for the cats on a day-to-day basis, taking care of their cleaning and feeding, but she infuses love into every aspect of her work with animals. She can often be found talking or singing to the cats that she's working with and is known throughout the building for her "whisker collection." September 12, 2022, marked Monica's 20th year of working at the shelter. Monica helps inform our adoption team on the behaviors and personalities of cats in our adoption program. If you're looking for advice on which cat is the best fit for you and your family, you might want to speak with Monica. We are so thankful that Monica is on our team and that her cheerful disposition greets us and our animals every day. We look forward to the next 20 years working with Monica on Team JAR and watching her "whisker collection" grow.

Meet the Board of Directors

Juneau Animal Rescue Board of Directors is composed of nine to thirteen members who volunteer their time to support JAR's mission.



Aurora Hauke
President



Sarah Mutter
Vice President



Mari Meiners
Treasurer



Angela Noon
Secretary



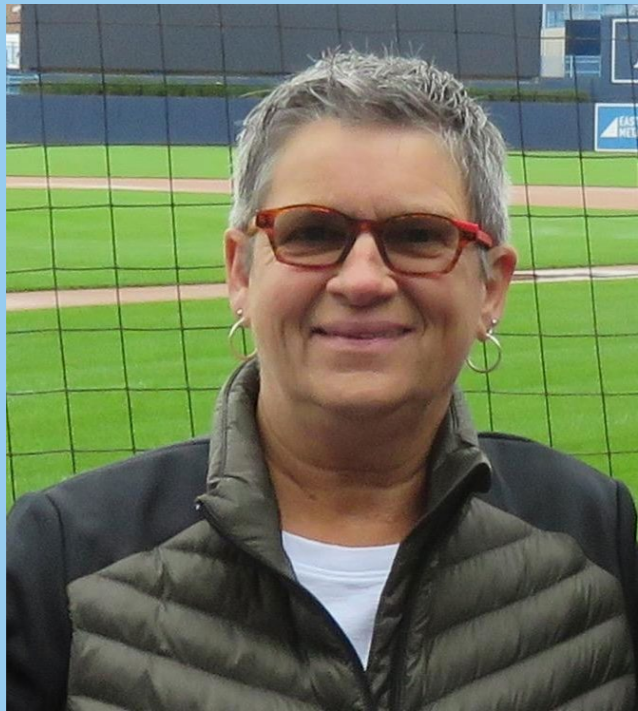
Janet McCallister
Board Member



Hazel Reynolds
Board Member

Meet the Board of Directors

Juneau Animal Rescue is currently seeking new Board Members.
If you are looking for new ways to support JAR,
consider applying today!



Jeanette St. George
Board Member



Jodi Neil
Board Member



Teresa Young
Board Member



Kevin Ritchie
Board Member



Liz Dodd
Board Member



Bridget Dowd
Board Member

Shelter Information

Office Hours

Monday - Saturday: 9:30am-5:30pm

Sunday: Closed to the Public

JAR is closed on the following holidays:

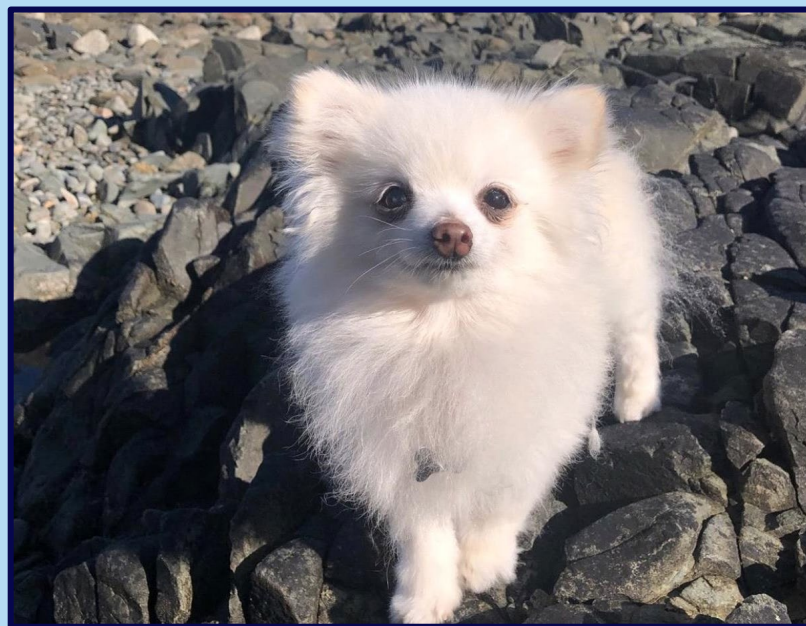
4th of July

Memorial Day

Thanksgiving

Christmas Day

New Year's Day



Visiting Hours

Monday - Saturday (except Tuesdays) from 1:00pm to 5:30pm

(Last visits with animals begin at 5:15)

Sunday: Closed to the Public

Holidays: Closed to the Public



Telephone

Main Phone: (907) 789-0260

Animal Control: (907) 789-6997*

Doggy Day Care: (907) 463-4883

Fax: (877) 374-3491

**In the case of an after-hours ANIMAL EMERGENCY, (when an animal is in imminent danger) call this number and follow the prompts.*



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