

A young woman with short blonde hair and tattoos on her arms is hugging a white pit bull dog named Cleo. The dog is sitting on a wooden bench and has its eyes closed, appearing relaxed. The woman is wearing a blue bikini top and black shorts. The background shows a wooden structure with a blue door and a colorful striped tarp.

# *PETA's* LOCAL QUARTERLY REPORT

**Cleo** and her guardian, Chelsea—this beloved pit bull—was one of 3,070 animals spayed or neutered for free this quarter in PETA's mobile clinics.

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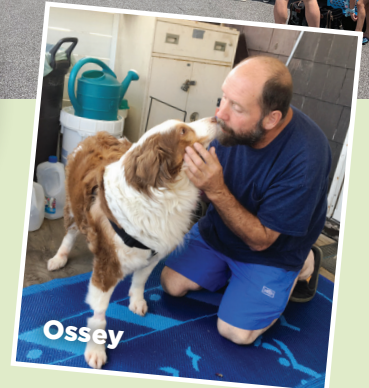


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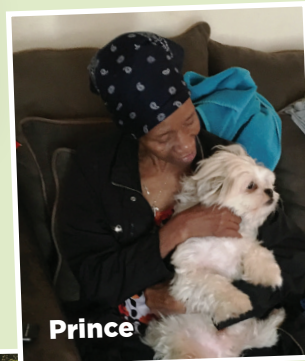
## PREVENTING ANIMAL HOMELESSNESS

During this quarter, the veterinary staff of our **mobile spay/neuter clinics** sterilized **3,070** animals, including **Ossey**, who was suffering from pyometra, a potentially fatal uterine infection, and **Diamond**, who had given birth to two stillborn puppies two days earlier and still had four deceased fetuses inside her ruptured uterus. Our clinic staff also treated **cover girl Cleo** for flea allergy dermatitis, **Prince** for an ear infection, **Romeo** for an infected anal gland, and **Idgy** and **Champ** for skin infections. Many of our surgeries and other services, like those we offered to these dogs, are performed free of charge for low-income residents.

**PETA's mobile clinics have spayed or neutered 171,279 animals since 2001!**



Ossey

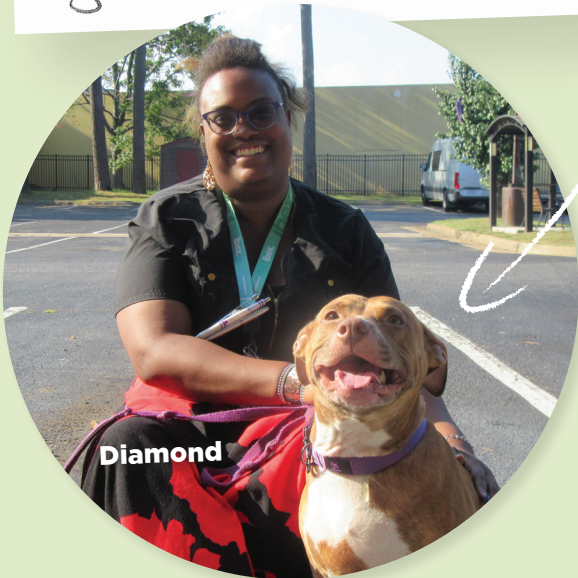


Prince



Romeo

*They saved my baby girls life.*



Diamond



Champ



Idgy

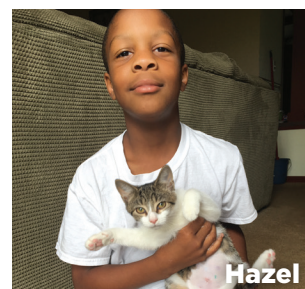
We transported **Elsa**, **Checo**, **Hazel**, **Tupac**, and 200 other animals free of charge to and from their no-cost spay and neuter appointments.



Elsa



Checo



Hazel



Tupac



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## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

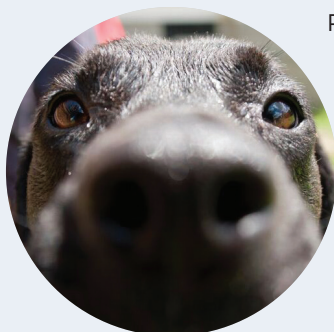
Through our **Barks & Books** program, we continued to give out children's books with animal-friendly messages, donated by publishers, to kids we met in the field and at our spay/neuter clinics.



PETA tabled at several local community events, including Community Fun Days and a neighborhood reunion, where we handed out literature, coloring books, and bracelets for kids. We also sponsored and tabled at the annual Dogs Gone Swimming fundraiser, held by Friends of the Norfolk Animal Care Center.



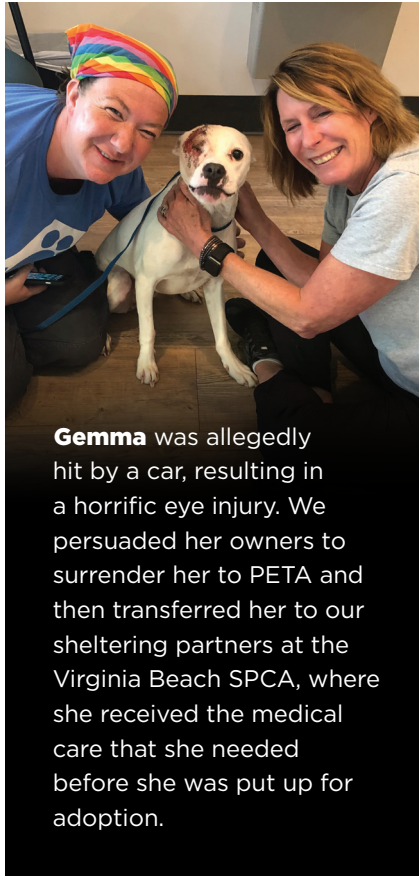
We hosted an adoption event at O'Connor Brewing Co. in Norfolk, where we offered special prices on spay/neuter services, sterilized 98 dogs and cats, and found permanent homes for several dogs!



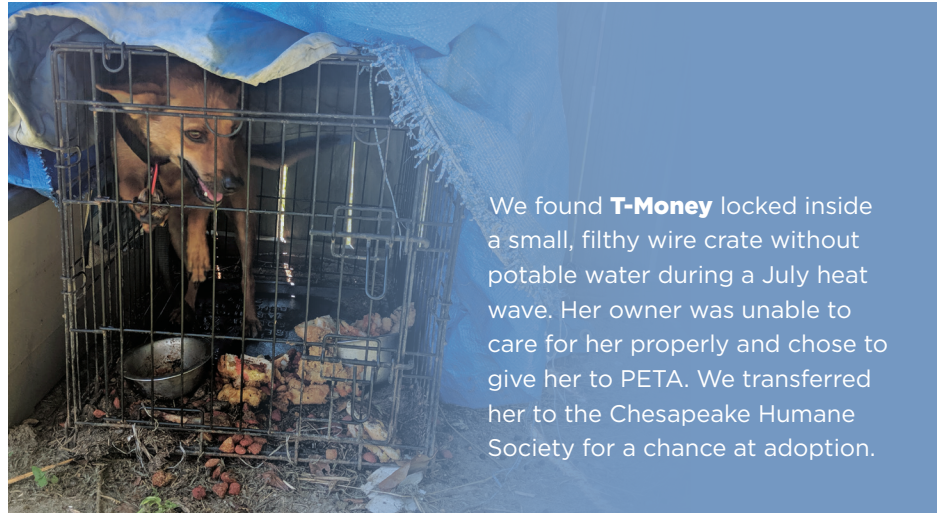
PETA reminded legislators of the dangers that dogs face when they're chained continuously outdoors and informed them that this summer, we had found countless dogs with no access to shade or potable water, including two who had died while chained. In the summer of 2018, we pursued cruelty-to-animals charges against the owners of a dog named **Molly** after our fieldworkers found her dead during a regular visit to their property—she was still chained and had died of heatstroke. The case went to trial this quarter, and Molly's abusers were convicted and sentenced to 45 days in jail (suspended) and 12 months of supervised probation, as well as being ordered to pay \$1,100 each in court fines and costs and barred from owning, possessing, residing with, or caring for animals.



## SHELTER PARTNERSHIP PLACEMENTS



**Gemma** was allegedly hit by a car, resulting in a horrific eye injury. We persuaded her owners to surrender her to PETA and then transferred her to our sheltering partners at the Virginia Beach SPCA, where she received the medical care that she needed before she was put up for adoption.



We found **T-Money** locked inside a small, filthy wire crate without potable water during a July heat wave. Her owner was unable to care for her properly and chose to give her to PETA. We transferred her to the Chesapeake Humane Society for a chance at adoption.



COLLEY BEFORE



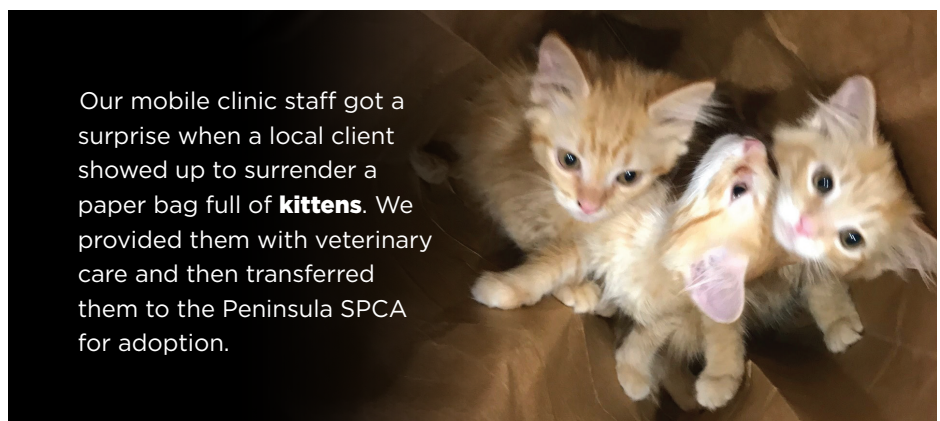
COLLEY AFTER

Just before the arrival of Hurricane Dorian, we found **Hannah** and **Frankie** in a flood-prone area and secured their relinquishment. We then transferred them to the Norfolk SPCA for a chance at adoption. They were just two of the 716 animals received by PETA's shelter this quarter and among the 203 we transferred to other Virginia shelters.

After we secured relinquishment of neglected chained dog **Colley**, we transferred her to the Norfolk SPCA, where she was adopted by a family that now adores her.



Hannah and Frankie

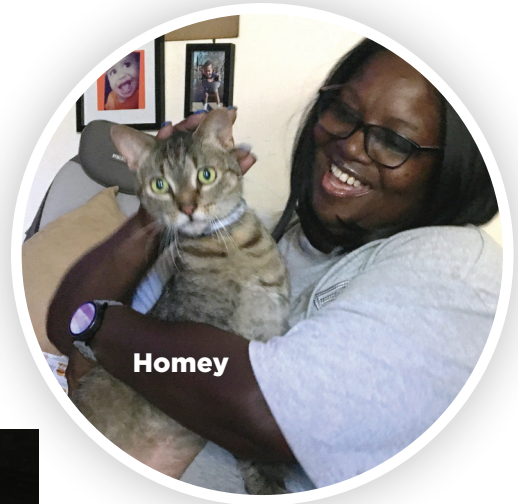


Our mobile clinic staff got a surprise when a local client showed up to surrender a paper bag full of **kittens**. We provided them with veterinary care and then transferred them to the Peninsula SPCA for adoption.



## HELPING PEOPLE KEEP AND CARE FOR THEIR ANIMALS

One of the 598 calls for assistance that we received this quarter was for **Homey**, who had been stuck in a wall behind a bathtub for three days. His panicked guardian called PETA for help after animal control was unable to assist her. With a great deal of effort, we were able to free him. We rushed him to a vet, where he received a clean bill of health. His family was among the 197 we helped to keep their animals.



After getting nowhere in our efforts to persuade local animal control to render significant aid to these **four beagles**, who were confined to minuscule, makeshift hutches, we set up a donated pen for them, where they can finally stretch their legs and enjoy each other's company.

During the sweltering summer heat, PETA staff and volunteers helped dogs like **DeeDee** and **Midnight** by ensuring that they had access to fresh water and shade; giving them protection from fleas, ticks, and flesh-eating flies, in addition to some toys; and replacing their heavy chains with lightweight tie-outs. They were among the 4,525 animals helped by PETA's local services, on which we spent over \$776,000 this quarter.



We gave sturdy new doghouses to 45 "outdoor dogs," including **Tiger** and **Kilo**, courtesy of **PETA's free doghouse program**.



## FREE END-OF-LIFE SERVICES

**Wags**, an elderly Akita mix, was brought to PETA after he'd lost a significant amount of weight and developed neurological problems as well as suspected dementia. He was one of 144 animals we euthanized free of charge for families who couldn't afford this vital service at a private veterinary clinic. His guardians filled out **postcards** asking their state legislators to safeguard PETA's ability to offer such services. This quarter, 251 of our constituent families sent similar postcards to their legislators regarding our services, including euthanasia.

Wags has been my best friend for all of my adult life. He's helped me through family deaths, college, relationships and more. The last year he has deteriorated in health and no longer has a good quality of life. I will always love him.



Carne was an 8yr/old German Shepherd that began suffering from failing hips. After extensive research, I choose PETA because every other vet wanted \$250 to \$350 to perform the humane thing.

Our experience was one of kindness, compassion and great help to our family in our time of need. The program helped ease our pain & difficult decision, and time. Please keep this program. Thank you



When **Foxxie**, a beloved 15-year-old chow chow, became immobile and bloated and had trouble breathing, her guardian was referred to PETA by another local shelter for end-of-life help. The guardian was very thankful for PETA's assistance and posted a kind comment on our Facebook page. Foxxie was one of 502 animals we euthanized this quarter.



When "outdoor" cat **Irony** become immobile and was bleeding from her ears, eyes, nose, and mouth—likely the result of having been hit by a car—her owner asked PETA to end her suffering.



**Midnight's** owner called PETA for end-of-life help when the heavily matted, elderly Lab mix could barely breathe because of end-stage heartworm disease. She had spent her whole life confined to an outdoor pen, where she had gone blind and deaf. Her suffering was brought to a peaceful end.

We also euthanized 251 **feral cats** suffering from conditions that included advanced upper respiratory infections, crushed bones, infected wounds, eye injuries, and labored breathing.

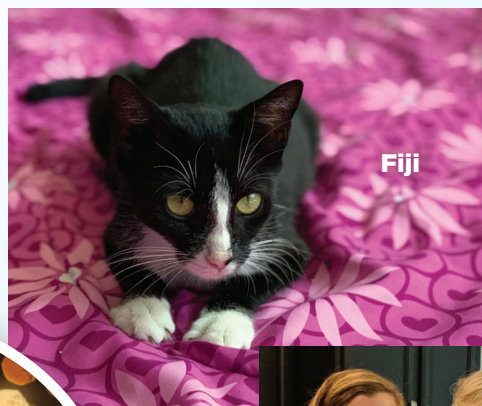


## IN-HOUSE ADOPTIONS



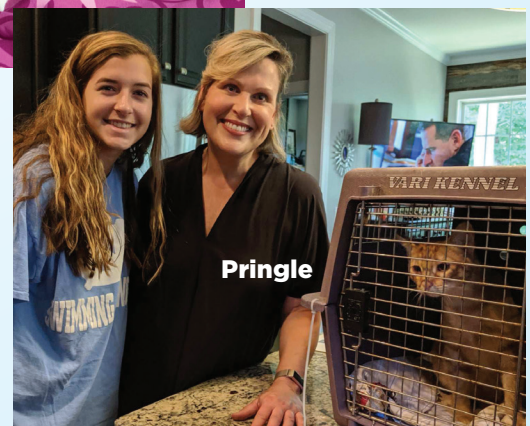
When faced with the financial and time commitments of caring for a terminally ill family member, **Woodrow's** guardians could no longer provide for him and asked PETA to take him in with the hope of finding him a new home. He was quickly adopted by a family that includes another dog rescued by PETA.

Early one morning, a PETA staff member found these cats left in a carrier on our doorstep, with no identification or anything to indicate why they'd been abandoned there. They were friendly and bonded and appeared to have been kept indoors. **Kate** and **Rooney** spent a week in their own guest room at PETA's shelter and were adopted (together, of course) soon after their stray hold expired.



We also found wonderful homes for seven other animals, including cats **Fiji** and **Pringle**.

**Jupiter** and **Mushu** were adopted through this quarter's adoption event.





# NOBODY LIKES TO BE LEFT OUT



**Please let your animals live indoors with you.  
Chaining dogs 24/7 is animal abuse, plain and simple.**

**PETA**