RESCUED!

PETA fieldworkers found **Brownie** chained, emaciated, and shivering in the cold rain. Read more about him and the other animals we helped this quarter.

Peta's LOCAL QUARTERLY REPORT

PETA

October–December 2019

PREVENTING ANIMAL HOMELESSNESS

During this quarter, the veterinary staff of our **mobile spay/neuter clinics** sterilized 3,209 animals, including **Snowball**, who was suffering from pyometra, a potentially fatal uterine infection. Our clinic staff also treated **Norman** for a foot injury and a skin infection, **Layla** for a skin infection, and **Marshmellow** for a lesion in his mouth, all during their free surgery appointments. Many of our surgeries and other services, like those we provided these animals with, are performed free of charge for low-income residents.





We've spayed or neutered **174,488** animals since 2001!









PETA's mobile clinics partnered with the **Danville Area Humane Society** to offer low-cost spay/neuter surgeries to area residents. During the three-day event, 193 dogs and cats were sterilized!



We transported **Rover**, **Envy**, **BJ**, **Smokey**, and 192 other animals free of charge to and from their no-cost spay and neuter appointments.









COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Through our Barks & Books

program, we continued to give out children's books with animalfriendly themes, donated by publishers, to kids we met in the field and at our spay/neuter clinics.



We also participated in the **Human Walk** at Norfolk City Hall with three other local shelters, including the Norfolk Animal Care Center.



We tabled at the annual Halloween **Trunk or Treat** event hosted by the Norfolk Police Department, where we handed out hundreds of coloring books and pieces of candy.



Once again, PETA participated in Norfolk's annual **Grand Illumination Parade**. To help kick off the holiday season, we adorned one of our mobile clinics with decorations highlighting this year's "Toy Land" theme and shared this message: "Animals are family, not toys. Love them for a lifetime." Staffers and volunteers wore costumes that delighted the kids who had come out to see the parade on the cold, rainy night.





SHELTER PARTNERSHIP PLACEMENTS

Menona, a senior border collie, was kept chained 24/7 until we had a heart-to-heart talk with her owners, who agreed to allow her to have a chance at a better life indoors. We transferred her to the Norfolk SPCA, where she was quickly adopted by a loving family.

She was just one of the 636 animals received by PETA's shelter this quarter and among the 169 we transferred to other Virginia shelters.



Fieldworkers came to the rescue of **Mac**, who was chained outdoors 24/7. He was transferred to the Virginia Beach SPCA and quickly adopted.





Brownie's owner called us because the chained hound mix had been losing weight and had become skeletal, with every bone protruding from under his skin. We rehabilitated him in our shelter for a week, during which he gained about 1 pound per day. We carefully documented his condition before transferring him to the Norfolk SPCA for a chance at adoption and are working with local law enforcement to pursue cruelty charges against his former owner.



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We secured the relinquishment of **Pip**, a deaf dog who was desperate to escape his pen. We transferred him to the Norfolk SPCA, and he has since been adopted.

Pip After

Thanks to PETA, this formerly penned-up and neglected dog, Whitey, was surrendered and

transferred to the Norfolk SPCA, where she was

HELPING PEOPLE KEEP AND CARE FOR THEIR ANIMALS



One of the 507 calls for assistance that we received this quarter was for **Tick**, who had had an accidental run-in with a lawnmower, sustaining two broken toes. Thanks to PETA, he was treated for his injuries and also neutered at our clinic. His family was among the 225 we helped to keep their animals.



When **Roxy** (who, fortunately, lives indoors with her guardian) was diagnosed with pyometra, PETA helped subsidize her spay surgery at a private veterinary clinic.

As temperatures dropped, PETA staff and volunteers helped dogs like **Diamond**, **Ginger**, and **Jezebel** by ensuring that they had access to fresh water and a sturdy doghouse stuffed with insulating straw bedding, as well as by providing them with food, treats, toys, and a 15-foot lightweight tie-out in place of the heavy chains commonly used. They were among the 4,671 animals helped by PETA's local services, on which we spent over \$571,886.89 this quarter.









Fieldworkers groomed this matted dog, **Prince**, for a woman who'd recently had a stroke.







FREE END-OF-LIFE SERVICES

Duck, a beloved golden retriever whose family called PETA for help, had developed a debilitating seizure disorder for which there was no treatment. He was one of 149 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, 293 of our constituent families sent similar **postcards** to their legislators regarding our services, including euthanasia.





RIMAN painfull was

We chose PETA because in our hour of need they were there for US. My boy KOBI was interrible pain and had no where else to turn. We had no other options, we needed them.

I was unable to pay for a prived to help end my dogs sufering I was so glad I Found Peta to help bring my due sufering to an end.



When 17-year-old **Cinnamon** became immobile and unresponsive following months of slow decline, her owners called PETA for help in ending her suffering. She was one of 463 animals we euthanized this guarter. **Rock Rock**'s owner called PETA after the dog, who was likely suffering from cancer and heart failure, had become immobile and been trapped for several days in his own waste in a hole that he'd dug. He was mercifully released from his suffering.





When medical treatments were no longer helping **Raider**, a 7-year-old pit bull suffering from a dangerously high sodium level as well as a chronic skin condition, constant thirst, weakness, nausea, and muscle tremors, his loving guardians asked PETA to help him with end-of-life care.

We also euthanized 241 **feral cats**, most of whom came from communities where the shelters don't accept feral cats or provide them with any services. They were suffering from conditions that included advanced upper respiratory infections, broken bones, infected wounds, eye injuries, labored breathing, and dismembered legs.

IN-HOUSE ADOPTIONS





We rescued **Dakota**. a 19-year-old emaciated quarter horse, whose owner had kept him in a cramped, mud-filled pen and deprived him of basic care. The horse, who was more than 400 pounds underweight, was temporarily placed at a boarding facility, where he received veterinary care and had his teeth floated and hooves trimmed. He was adopted by a loving

family that includes four granddaughters and has gained more than 300 pounds since being rescued! "I get teared up a lot watching him grow and watching him learn and experience [new] things," says his new guardian. "All horses deserve to be loved by a little girl at least once in their lifetime. And this little guy's hit the jackpot because he's got four of them."

Patches





We also found wonderful homes for **Patches** and **Tango**.





ADOPTIONS

Raven had lived indoors her entire life and was her elderly guardian's constant companion while the woman was dying of cancer. But after her guardian's death, she was chained up outdoors without any shelter for several months by the woman's son. When we first met Raven, she was soaking wet in the pouring rain. After numerous conversations with her owner and a thorough veterinary assessment, we secured her relinquishment, and she was adopted by a loving family that includes two other PETA rescued animals.

Look at her eyes

Like countless other lonely dogs, **Bella** is condemned to a life sentence at the end of a tether. Keeping dogs chained outside 24/7 is cruel.

Please vote YES on SB 272.

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