A woman with curly hair tied back, wearing a blue face mask and blue gloves, is kneeling on the ground and holding a black dog. She is wearing a black t-shirt and blue cargo pants. The dog is lying down, and she is holding its head. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with trees and a yellow bucket.

PETA's essential workers
continue to provide animals
like Rocky and their families
with free services during the
COVID-19 pandemic.

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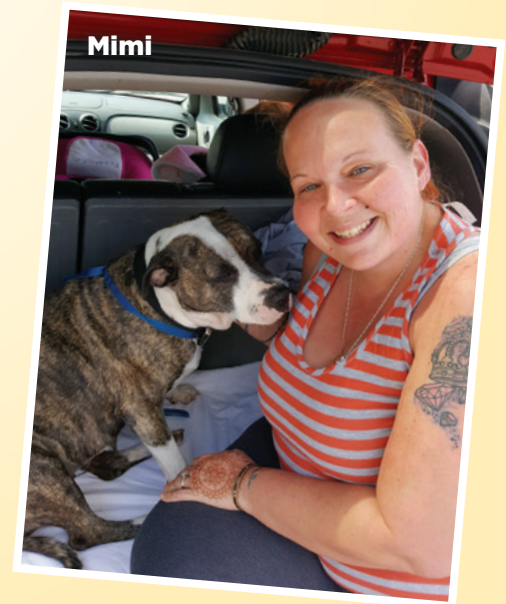
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PREVENTING ANIMAL HOMELESSNESS

During this quarter, the veterinary staff of our **mobile spay/neuter clinics** sterilized 2,889 animals, including **Beauty** and **Mimi**, who were both suffering from pyometra, a potentially fatal uterine infection. A spay surgery involving this condition would cost between \$1,200 and \$1,500 at a private veterinary clinic—and significantly more on an emergency basis—but we performed it free of charge for both families. Our clinic staff also treated **B.G.** for an ear infection during his free neuter appointment. Many of our surgeries and other services, like those received by these animals, are performed free of charge for low-income residents. Our staff has implemented drive-through check-in procedures in order to minimize the potential spread of COVID-19.



We've spayed
or neutered
180,785
animals since
2001!



We transported **Tiger**, **Pumpkin**, **Lucky**, **Beautiful**, and 215 other animals free of charge to and from their no-cost spay and neuter appointments.



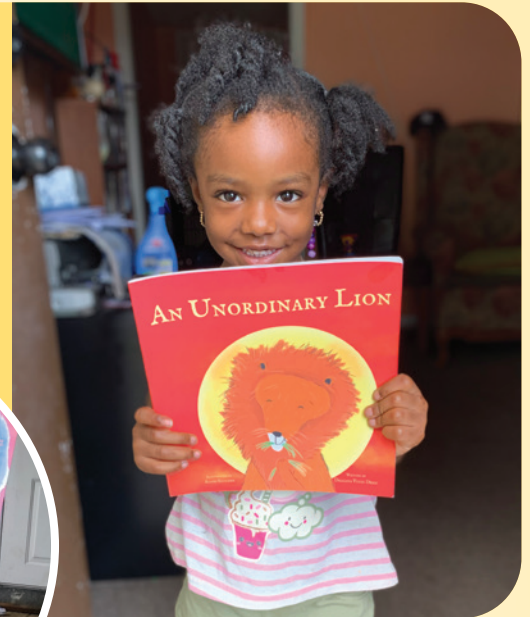
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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

PETA joined 15 area shelters in the social media campaign **Passion 4 Compassion**, celebrating animal adoption and honoring the difficult work that sheltering professionals do every day.



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



PETA assisted two partner shelters by transporting 68 animals more than 200 miles from the **Danville Area Humane Society** to the **Virginia Beach SPCA**, where they will have a better chance of being adopted.



In addition to giving out hundreds of bags of dog and cat food to clients, PETA donated more than 100 bags to the **Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore**.

SHELTER PARTNERSHIP PLACEMENTS



Workers at a tire service business called PETA after discovering a litter of **kittens** on the property. We transferred them to the Norfolk SPCA for a chance at adoption.



Ginger and her puppies



Lilac and Lavender

Beagles **Lilac** and **Lavender** had been used for hunting and kept in a filthy, dilapidated hutch with a wire floor. After they were given to PETA, we transferred them to the Norfolk SPCA for a chance at adoption.



The person caring for chained Labrador mix **Ginger** and **her six puppies** had been turned away by three different shelters before she contacted PETA via Facebook for help. We picked up the dogs and transferred them to the Virginia Beach SPCA for a chance at adoption. They were among the 738 animals received by our shelter this quarter and among the 261 we transferred to other Virginia shelters.



Miller

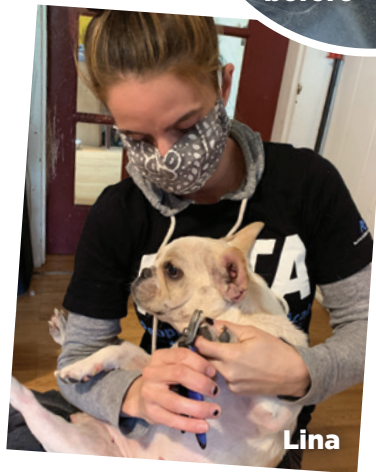
Senior Siberian husky **Miller** was relegated to a small modular pen in a garage when his family's living situation changed. They had tried to take him to their local shelter but were turned away, so they gave him to PETA. We picked him up and transferred him to the Virginia Beach SPCA for a chance at adoption. As we do for all the heartworm-positive dogs we transfer to placement partners, we're subsidizing the cost of his treatment for advanced heartworm disease.

HELPING PEOPLE KEEP AND CARE FOR THEIR ANIMALS

One of the 627 calls for assistance that we received this quarter was for **Tigger**, who had a fishing lure stuck in his mouth. Our clinic staff removed the hook and neutered him, both free of charge. His family was among the 411 we helped to keep their animals.



PETA staff and volunteers continued helping animals like **Sapphire**, **Lina**, **Wrinkles**, **Bee Bee**, and **Mr. Fluffy** by ensuring that they had access to fresh water, shelter, and shade. We also provided them with food, treats, toys, protection from fleas and ticks, fly repellent, nail trims, and 15-foot lightweight tie-outs to replace short, heavy chains. They were among the 4,778 animals helped by PETA's local services, on which we spent over \$510,000 this quarter.



As part of our **free doghouse program**, we gave sturdy new doghouses—specially designed and built with a roof overhang to provide shade—to 45 chained or penned “outdoor dogs,” including **Blanco**, who had nothing but a broken plastic doghouse that kept falling apart.

FREE END-OF-LIFE SERVICES

After a public shelter turned away dying elderly cat **China**, her guardian called PETA for help in ending her suffering. She was immobile, lethargic, and barely able to breathe because her lungs were filled with fluid, and her abdomen was distended to the size and shape of a watermelon. She was one of 136 animals we euthanized at no cost to families who couldn't afford this vital service at a private veterinary clinic. Her guardian filled out postcards asking his state legislators to safeguard PETA's ability to offer such services. This quarter, 466 of our constituent families sent similar **postcards** to their legislators regarding our services, including end-of-life assistance.

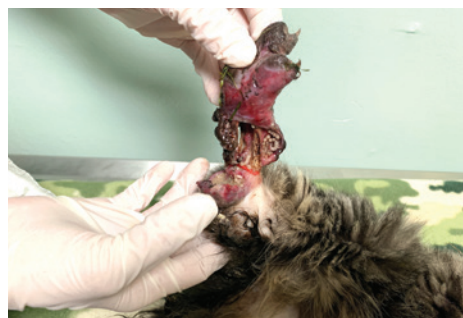
China was suffering from cancer your staff was very helpful with info and making it easy for us at this time

My Titan is 15 yrs old is in terrible health, if it wasn't for Peta, I'm not sure what would happen to Titan. I know he is not suffering anymore.



Thank to Peta my dog doesn't have to suffer any more. My money was low due to covid 19 and they Peta helped my family.

PETA's after-hours emergency team responded to a call from a concerned neighbor about injured cat **Oreo**. Because the owner's developmentally disabled child had surreptitiously placed elastic bands around two of the cat's legs, a portion of one rear leg had been eaten away by maggots, with bone and rotting tissue exposed, and one front paw was swollen and necrotic. We're working to ensure that the child gets the help he needs and that the family doesn't acquire any other animals. Oreo was one of 468 animals we euthanized this quarter.



When **Cesar**, a 3-year-old American bulldog who was kept penned outdoors, had become too weak to stand and was near death, his owners called PETA for help. Our after-hours emergency team found him emaciated, anemic, immobile, and covered with fleas, so he was relieved of his suffering.

We also euthanized 248 **feral cats** suffering from conditions that included advanced upper respiratory infections, broken and exposed bones, infected and necrotic wounds, eye and head injuries, and sepsis.

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IN-HOUSE ADOPTIONS

Bea before



Bea, the miniature horse shown on last quarter's cover, whom we had rescued from a neglectful situation and provided with desperately needed farrier and dental care, was adopted by a loving family that includes Toby, another miniature horse rescued by PETA.

Bea after, with Toby



Tulip



Tulip was banished to the outdoors when her owners got a litter of puppies. Knowing that she deserved a better life, they gave her to PETA, and we soon found her a loving indoor home.

When animal control wouldn't respond to an after-hours call about **Cricket**, a malnourished stray dog who was having difficulty walking, PETA's emergency pager team picked him up, informed the local public shelter, provided him with medical care, and held him for the duration of his legal stray hold. He recovered in a foster home for several weeks before he was adopted.

Cricket



Wayne



Starbuck



Lilith



Ruby



PETA also found loving homes for six other animals, including **Starbuck**, who had previously been living with a hoarder; **Lilith**, whose mother was feral; **Ruby**, whose former owners "outgrew" her; and **Wayne**, who had been kept chained outdoors.



It's now **ILLEGAL in Virginia
to chain dogs outdoors
in severe weather and in
temperatures over 84 degrees.**

Any dogs kept outside must be provided with food, water, shelter, and shade. Dogs should live indoors.

Please notify local authorities if you see them being kept outside in illegal conditions.

Without access to water and shade, they can easily die of heatstroke.

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