

QUARTERLY REPORT

Community Field and Rescue Work

RESCUED FROM BREEDING PRISON ENVIGO:

No More Fear or Cages
for Samson!



INSIDE

Read more about
Samson and other
animals helped by PETA!



Preventing Animal Homelessness

PETA's mobile clinics hit a lifesaving milestone: **more than 200,000 animals spayed or neutered since 2001!**



Boosie

During this quarter, the veterinary staff of our mobile spay/neuter clinics sterilized **3,401** animals, including **Boosie** and **Millie**, who were among **185** animals we transported for free to and from their no-cost spay/neuter appointments. Also among them was **Roxy**, whose guardians called PETA for help when she developed pyometra, a life-threatening uterine infection. We squeezed her in for a lifesaving surgery, and the family made a nominal donation for a surgery that would have cost more than \$1,500 at a private veterinary clinic.



Roxy

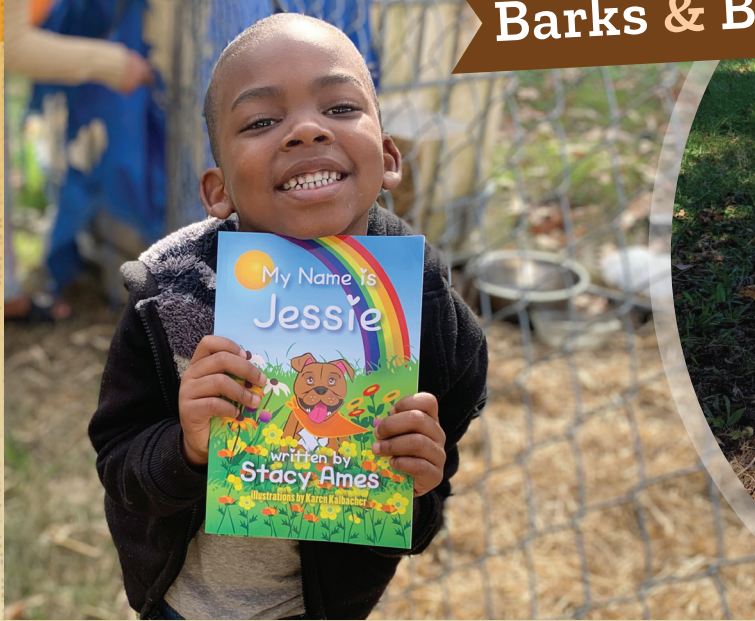


Millie

Community Outreach

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.

Barks & Books



For the sixth year in a row, PETA participated in Newport News City Council Member Sharon Scott's **holiday food drive** for residents in need.

We offered spay/neuter surgeries for the low cost of 10 nonperishable vegan food items, which we then donated to the food drive. By the end of the drive, we had sterilized **55** animals!

Shelter Partnership Placements

➡ We transferred **156** animals to our Virginia shelter partners for adoption.



We found this puppy curled up outside, shivering on a cold, rainy day and covered with her own waste. Her owner agreed to surrender her, and we transferred **Sophia** to the Virginia Beach SPCA for adoption. She was among the **629** animals our shelter took in this quarter.

After a passerby spotted a litter of sick, weak **kittens** in the middle of a rural road, PETA located the owners and approached them to offer assistance. They surrendered several kittens, and we transferred them to the Richmond SPCA, where they were treated for severe upper respiratory infections before being put up for adoption.



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



Helping People *Keep and Care* For Their Animals

➡ This quarter, we spent more than **\$624,486** on local services.

One of the **502** requests for assistance that we received this quarter was for **Peppy**, whose worried guardians contacted PETA after he became unable to retract his penis for several days. We transported him to and from our mobile clinic, where the veterinary staff treated his condition and neutered him, all free of charge. His family is among the **275** we helped to keep their animal companions.

We continued to help animals like **Cinnamon** by ensuring that they had access to food, water, and shelter with insulating straw bedding to help protect against the dropping temperatures. We also gave away free kibble and canned food (including for **Clyde**), administered treatment for parasites, trimmed nails, repaired previously distributed doghouses that needed some TLC, provided water buckets, and replaced short, heavy chains with 15-foot lightweight tie-outs.



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*This quarter, we
gave new wooden
doghouses to 52
"backyard dogs."*
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Before

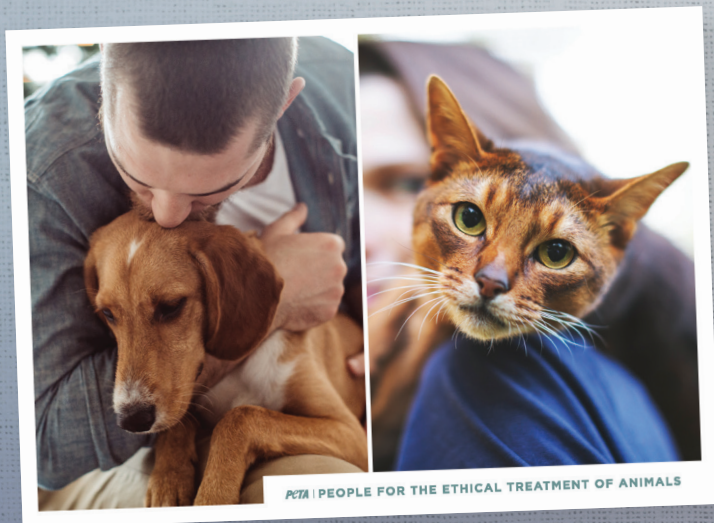
This dog was on a short, tangled chain without any shelter at all to protect her from the elements.



After

Free End-of-Life Services

Lester's guardian brought her cancer-stricken elderly cat to PETA's shelter for free end-of-life services. He was one of **124** animals we euthanized at no cost to those who couldn't afford this vital service. Lester's guardian filled out postcards asking her state legislators to safeguard our ability to offer euthanasia. This quarter, **297** of our constituent families (like Lester's) sent postcards to their elected officials in support of our services, including end-of-life assistance.



I WAS FINALLY AT PEACE WHEN I LEARNED THAT PETA COULD END MY CAT'S PAIN. THEY ARE PASSIONATE & COMPASSIONATE PEOPLE, WHO GENUINELY CARE ABOUT MY CAT. THANK YOU PETA!!

One of 297 postcards filled out

Residents of a rural area where the local public animal shelter doesn't respond to or assist with calls about cats contacted PETA for help removing perceived "nuisance" **feral cats**, including this one, whose leg had been torn off almost entirely. The nearly severed limb had also become entangled in twine and insulation from underneath a mobile home. We quickly ended the cat's suffering. PETA euthanized 220 feral cats who were suffering from conditions that included advanced upper respiratory infections, missing eyes, broken bones, and feline leukemia.




Charlie


Our after-hours emergency team responded to a late-night call about **Charlie**, an elderly chained dog dying from suspected end-stage heart failure, too weak to stand up and refusing to eat for days. He was among the 464 animals we euthanized this quarter.

In-House

Adoptions

This quarter, PETA found homes for **9 dogs and cats**.

 **Pancake** (so named by our field team because she'd had so little interaction with humans that she flattened herself to the ground like a pancake upon their approach) was chained for years, isolated, neglected, and frequently deprived of food and water. On the day of her rescue, Pancake was emaciated, covered with fleas, and so coated in toxic ash from a nearby burn pile that she looked gray instead of white. She was also heartworm-positive and needed extensive dental work and specialized veterinary treatment. After years of isolation and deprivation at the end of a chain, she had to start from scratch and learn how to be a normal dog, overcoming a lifetime of fear and anxiety. Pancake was fostered and has been adopted by a patient family dedicated to her rehabilitation, including her fellow PETA-rescued dog, Dylan, who quickly became her best buddy, helping her to build confidence and start enjoying her life. Pancake's story was featured in *People* magazine and in *The Washington Post Magazine* article "A Dog's Life: Why Are So Many People So Cruel to Their Dogs?" by two-time Pulitzer Prize winners journalist Gene Weingarten and photojournalist Michael S. Williamson.

 PETA rescued 8-year-old **Samson** from a massive breeding factory farm in Cumberland, Virginia, where he was caged 24/7 and used as a breeding machine and for at least one experiment. When he came out of the facility, he needed urgent care for an ear infection and over a dozen diseased teeth. Now a beloved member of a family, he's learning about life outside that prison, going for walks, playing with other dogs, and snuggling on the couch. This holiday season, Samson met Santa for the first time and enjoyed his first snowfall! His story was featured in *Newsweek*.

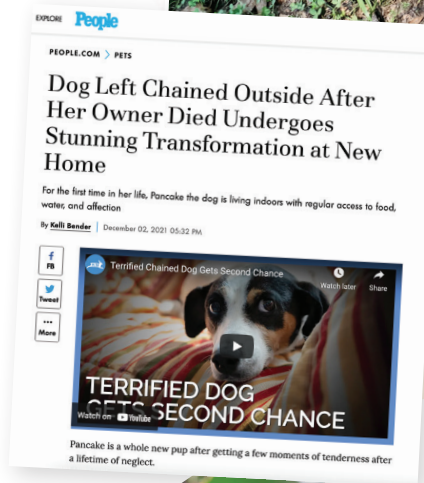
Samson before



Pancake adopted!



Pancake before



Newsweek

CULTURE

Beagle Saved From Animal Testing Facility Set for Thanksgiving in New Home

BY JACK BERNESFORD ON 11/14/21 AT 10:50 AM EST

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A Beagle who spent the first eight years of his life inside a cage at a facility that supplies laboratories with dogs for use in animal testing is free and looking forward to Thanksgiving with his new family.

From the moment he was born, Samson lived within the concrete, steel and noise of some 5,000 beagles residing in cages at Envigo, a massive international distributor of dogs used in experiments.

According to PETA, Samson sired hundreds of puppies during his time there and, like all the dogs there, suffered a miserable, lonely existence.

Samson adopted!



USDA Cites Virginia Dog-Breeding Facility for Mistreatment

PETA AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE HAVE EXPOSED TERRIBLE, SYSTEMIC SUFFERING AT ENVIGO'S MASSIVE DOG-BREEDING FACTORY FARM IN CUMBERLAND, VIRGINIA.

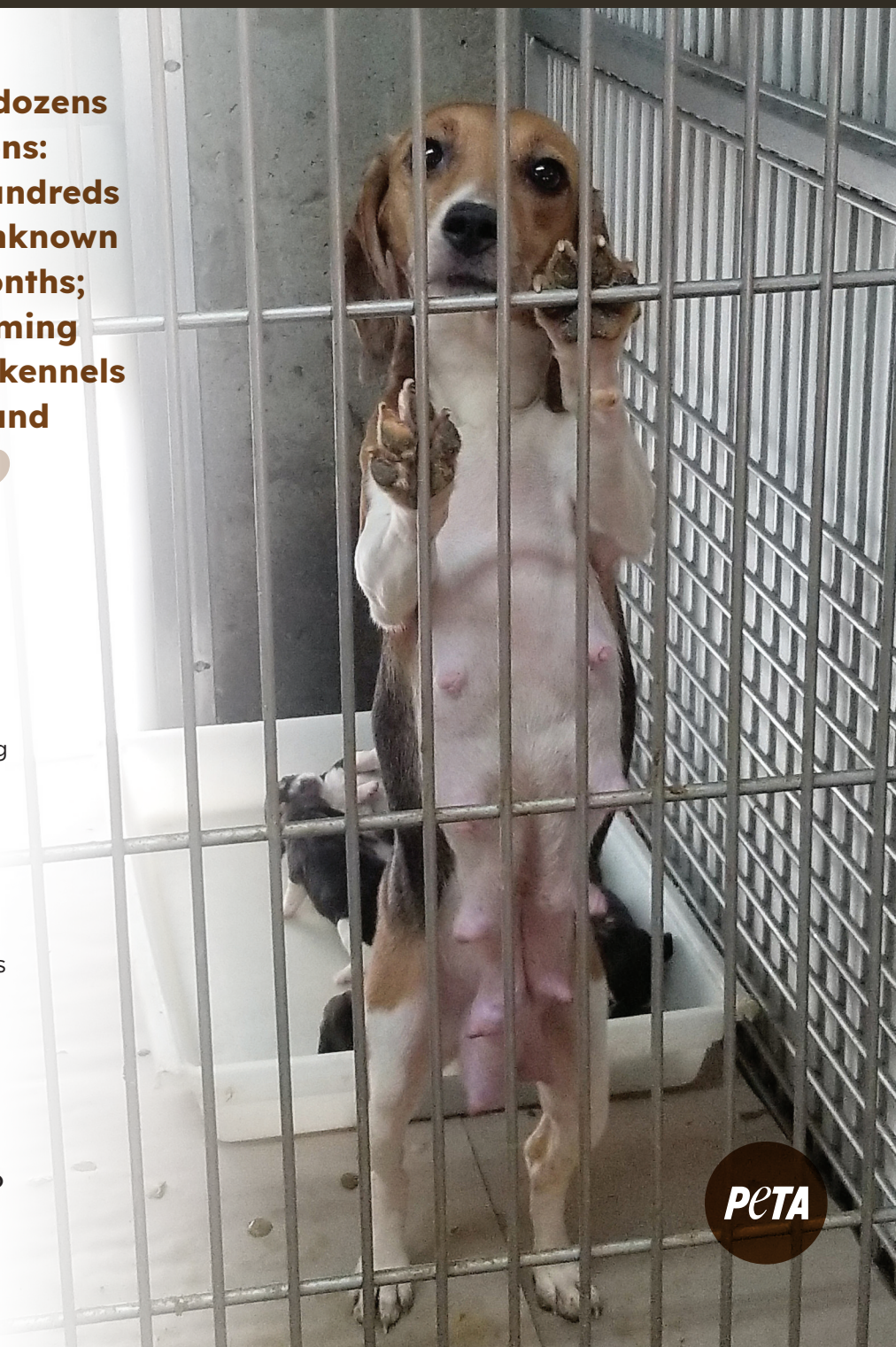
“Federal officials ... found dozens of animal welfare violations: records indicating that hundreds of puppies had died of ‘unknown causes’ over a span of months; dogs’ food dispensers teeming with insects; and reeking kennels with piles of feces, urine and food underneath them.”

—Dana Hedgpeth,
The Washington Post

PETA's undercover investigation into the facility found the following:

- 5,000 beagles confined to barren cages 24/7
- Hundreds of dead puppies left lying among the living
- Sick and injured dogs deprived of adequate veterinary care
- Famished nursing mother dogs intentionally deprived of food
- Puppies who had fallen into drains, soaking wet and covered with feces

Every one of the dogs at Envigo feels fear, pain, and loneliness, just as the dogs who share our homes can. Please support legislation to strengthen animal welfare laws in order to prevent facilities like Envigo from allowing animals to suffer.



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