January–March 2022

PCTA's **QUARTERLY REPORT**

Community Field and Rescue Work

Senators Jennifer Boysko and **Bill Stanley celebrate** a historic first: Five bipartisan beagle protection bills passed the Virginia General Assembly unanimously!

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Read more about the bills and PETA's local work helping animals this quarter.

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Preventing Animal Homelessness

PETA's Mobile Clinics Division has spayed or neutered 203,123 animals since 2001!

During this quarter, the veterinary staff of our mobile spay/neuter clinics sterilized **2,920** animals, including **Brandon** and **Diamond**, who were among **176** animals PETA fieldworkers transported for free to and from their no-cost spay/neuter appointments. We also spayed **Goldie**, whose guardians called PETA for help when she developed pyometra, an often fatal uterine infection. Our mobile clinic veterinary staff performed a lifesaving emergency surgery—which would have cost more than \$1,500 at a private veterinary clinic—totally free of charge.







Community Outreach

PETA staff held **presentations for elementary school students** in our service area to teach them about empathy for animals and basic dog care.

Barks & Books (

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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.

We held several **straw giveaway** events to help residents in our field-service areas protect their outdoor dogs from frigid winter weather with insulating straw bedding.

Shelter Partnership Placements

We transferred 167 animals to our shelter partners for adoption.

PETA fieldworkers found Charlie and Diamond huddled together, shivering and scared, confined to a wire crate outdoors when the wind chill was only 21 degrees. Their owner refused to allow them indoors but relinguished them when we explained that it was *illegal* to leave them outside in the cold. The dogs warmed up at PETA's headquarters before we transferred them to the Norfolk SPCA, where they were soon adopted. Several media outlets covered their story, bringing attention to the plight of dogs kept outside.





Gandalf was condemned to a life of isolation at the end of a tether until PETA fieldworkers secured his relinguishment. Our placement partners at the Chesapeake Humane Society took him in, and he was quickly adopted by a lovely couple with another adorable rescued dog. He was among the 450 animals PETA's shelter took in this quarter.

EXPLORE People

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Chihuahua and Pit Bull Friends Found Caged in the Cold on N.C. Porch Now Need a Home Together

PETA fieldworkers found dogs Charlie and Diamond stuck huddled together in a locked wire cage left out in cold weather

By Kelli Bender February 03, 2022 03:16 PM

Charlie and Diamond are ready to start the next chapter of their lives together.



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According to a news release from PETA, fieldworkers from the animal welfare organization found Charlie the Chihuahua mix and Diamond the pit

bull mix caged together on a porch in North Carolina.

The canines' former owner left the dogs stuck in the cramped and locked wire cage outside with a wind chill of 21 degrees. Concerned about the animals' welfare, the PETA fieldworkers asked the dogs' owner to take the animals inside before the cold weather caused severe damage. The owner refused but, according to PETA's release, agreed to let the fieldworkers take the two dogs "when told that leaving them outside is illegal and the sheriff would have to be called."

The fieldworkers took Charlie and Diamond to PETA's Sam Simon Center in Norfolk, Virginia, where the dog received medical treatment before being moved to the Norfolk SPCA to be placed up for adoption.

PETA often 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 **\$691,745** on local services.

One of the **461** requests for assistance that we received this quarter was for a dog named **Prince**, whose guardian called to request help trimming his nails. We noticed that Prince was suffering from an itchy, painful skin condition, so we pointed it out and his guardian agreed to have the condition treated by PETA's veterinary staff as well as to have him neutered—all free of charge. His family is among the **300** we helped to keep their animal companions.

We continued to help animals like **Ivy** by ensuring that they had access to food, water, and shelter with insulating straw bedding to help protect against the frigid temperatures. We also gave away dog and cat food, administered treatment for parasites, trimmed nails for dogs like **Ruby**, provided water buckets, and replaced short, heavy chains with 15-foot lightweight tie-outs.







This quarter, we gave custom-built, insulated doghouses to 49 dogs who are kept chained or penned outdoors 24/7.

Smokey was kept outside without food, water, or shelter in a wire crate barely big enough for him to turn around in. We set him up with a sturdy wooden doghouse, a 15-foot lightweight tether, a water bucket, a food bowl, and toys.

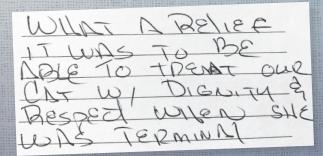
Free End-of-Life Services

June Bug's guardian brought the elderly cat, diagnosed with renal failure, to PETA's shelter for free end-of-life services. She was one of **107** animals we euthanized at no cost to those who couldn't afford this vital service. Her guardian filled out postcards asking her state legislators to safeguard our ability to offer end-of-life relief. This quarter, **488** of our constituent families (like June Bug's) sent postcards to their elected officials in support of our services, including compassionate euthanasia.





I'm very groteful for the services offered through PETA. They were very Kind and helped our beloved Yoshi procefully transition to When my regular vet couldn't help, PETH was therefor me



My dog, Comet, was elderly 2 had a tumor. I contain appoint to pit him to steep & PETA culowed me to end his pain in a loving & dignified manner.

We found **Bella** chained outside, bloated, underweight, immobile, and barely responsive, suffering from suspected end-stage heart failure—a common fatal illness among dogs kept outdoors without adequate care. She was among the 264 animals we euthanized this quarter.

PETA euthanized 100 feral cats who were suffering from conditions that included advanced upper respiratory infections, difficulty breathing, immobility, traumatic injuries, infected wounds, internal bleeding, and apparent sepsis caused by complications of pregnancy.

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Adoptions



This quarter, PETA found homes for eight companion animals.

When a compassionate person noticed a stray cat with a festering facial wound, she called PETA for help. Fieldworkers scooped up the cat, our veterinary staff treated his injury, and we placed him in a foster home. Once he'd fully recovered, **Binx** was adopted by a loving family that includes another rescued cat.

Blue was relinquished by his previous owners when they had a baby, which caused the sensitive cat a tremendous amount of stress. PETA found this shyyet-affectionate cat a new home with a senior couple who instantly fell for him.



A kind woman took in these ducks from someone who was neglecting them but soon realized that she wasn't in a position to keep them. PETA fieldworkers picked them up and quickly found them a home in a loving family with plenty of space and experience caring for domestic ducks.

PCTA thanks

the 140 members of the Virginia General Assembly, whose unanimous, bipartisan support led to the passage of five bills to protect thousands of beagles warehoused at a dog-breeding factory farm in Cumberland, Virginia, where both PETA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture exposed terrible neglect and systemic suffering.

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Senator Bill Stanley rebranzy 24 - 30 "Being a 'dad' to two wonderful beagles I personally rescued from Envigo, I know firsthand how loving, social and deserving of protection these dogs are."



Beagles Find Heroes in General Assembly

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Virginia Coalition FOR Beagle Protection

Thank you, Virginia legislators, for voting to protect animals bred for experimentation!

Virginia Governor Signs 5 Historic Beagle Protection Bills

PETA Rejoices!

On April 4, Virginia Gov. Glenn Youngkin signed into law HB 1350, SB 87, SB 88, SB 90, and SB 604-protections for animals bred and sold for experiments. Undercover video footage captured by PETA ignited calls for reform and oversight at the Envigo breeding facility in Cumberland, Virginia. This new legislation will help improve animal welfare standards, implement reporting requirements, afford "surplus" animals a chance to be adopted, restrict sales from facilities that have violated federal regulations, and more.

PETA thanks Gov. Youngkin and the 140 members of the Virginia General Assembly, who voted unanimously to protect dogs and cats bred for experimentation in our state. Once these laws go into effect, Envigo won't be able to get away with depriving nursing mother dogs of food for days, letting puppies freeze to death or fall into drains and die, or allowing beagles to suffer from painful and untreated conditions.

PETA is proud to call Virginia our home.