

PETA's

July–September 2022

QUARTERLY REPORT

Community Field and Rescue Work

Sandy—one of five neglected dogs PETA fought in court to rescue (and won!)—is now enjoying life in a wonderful new home.

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► Look inside for more about Sandy and other animals PETA has helped. ►

Preventing Animal Homelessness

PETA's Mobile Clinics Division has spayed or neutered **210,574** animals since 2001!

During this quarter, the veterinary staff of our mobile spay/neuter clinics sterilized **2,973** animals, including **Oreo**, **Diesel**, **Midnight**, and **Coal**, who were among the **175** animals PETA's Community Animal Project fieldworkers transported for free to and from their no-cost spay/neuter appointments. We also treated **Sarge** for a skin condition at the time of his neutering—all free of charge for his grateful guardian.



Oreo



Diesel



Midnight



Coal



Sarge

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



We participated in a community **Touch-a-Truck** event with one of our mobile clinics. We gave tours of the clinic and handed out kids' books, stickers, and more.



PETA presented **an award and a gift basket** to Lt. Robert Kimbrel and the Bedford Police Department in Virginia for their quick and compassionate action that helped save four dogs tethered outside in hot weather without shelter or water—in violation of legislation we had worked tirelessly to get passed—as well as a dog left in a hot car and several goats in danger of being hit by vehicles.



Shelter Partnership Placements

➡ We transferred **158 animals** to our shelter partners for adoption.

Tiny and **Sheba** were kept outside, chained and neglected, until their owners relinquished them to PETA. We transferred Tiny to the Virginia Beach SPCA and Sheba to the Chesapeake Humane Society for adoption. They were among the **848** animals our shelter took in this quarter.



We removed **11 adult cats and four kittens** from a neglectful hoarding situation and transferred them to the Richmond SPCA for medical assessment, treatment, and adoption. Thanks to this partnership, PETA was able to secure the rescue of all the cats from this rural property over the course of less than a year.



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 **\$793,779** on local services.

One of the **533** requests for assistance that PETA received this quarter was for **Gotti**, who had been attacked by stray dogs. Our veterinary staff treated his wounds, as well as neutering him—all free of charge. His guardians are among the **305** families we helped to keep their animal companions.



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This quarter, we delivered custom-built, insulated doghouses to 43 dogs who are forced to live outdoors.
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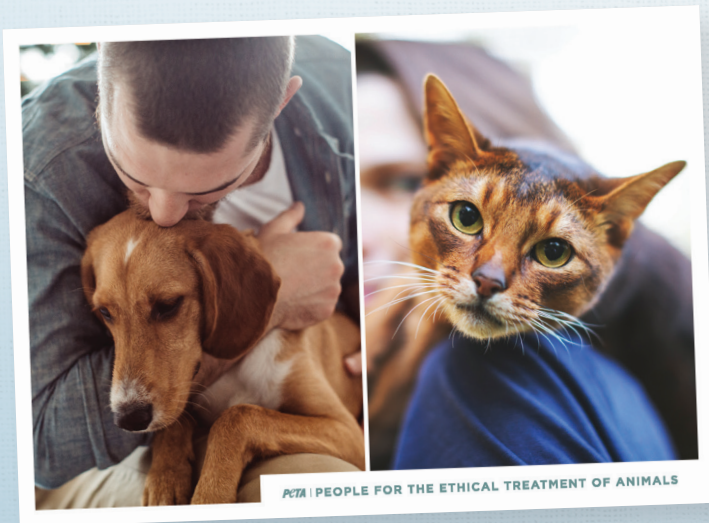
PETA helped “outside dogs” like **Spot**—who are kept chained or penned outdoors 24/7—beat the heat with plenty of water and shade. We also made sure they had food, shelter, and treatment for fleas, flystrike, and ticks. And we replaced short, heavy chains with 15-foot lightweight tie-outs.



We provided **Jada**—who had previously been kept tethered outside without any protection from the elements—with a sturdy wooden doghouse.

Free End-of-Life Services

Geisha had multiple cancerous tumors and could hardly breathe when her veterinarian recommended euthanasia, but her family couldn't afford the veterinary clinic's fee. Instead, they brought her to PETA's shelter for free end-of-life services. She was one of 161 animals we euthanized at no cost to those who couldn't afford this vital humane service. Her guardians filled out postcards asking their state legislators to safeguard our ability to offer end-of-life relief. This quarter, **597** of our constituent families (like Geisha's) sent postcards to their elected officials in support of our services, including compassionate euthanasia.



She's older and sick. They (vet, and other agencies) charge so much money and I live on fixed income and don't have the extra money to put her down and relieve her pain. Thank god for this program

my baby boy "duke duke" became very ill. His lymph nodes were swollen, he stopped eating even with medication and many doctors visit he grew worse. I unfortunately didn't have the funds to do the procedure. and PETA helped us




A woman called us for help when the **feral cat** she'd been feeding began limping and becoming weak from an apparent infection. PETA provided this cat, who had suffered a gruesome ruptured abscess from an infected gunshot wound, with a peaceful end.



Elderly schnauzer **Toot Toot** had developed dental disease so severe that it caused his eye to protrude from its socket and rupture. Unable to afford the \$10,000 worth of veterinary care required to continue treatment, his guardians asked PETA to end his suffering. He was among the 654 animals we euthanized this quarter.

Among the free-roaming cats we euthanized were 277 **feral cats** suffering from conditions that included advanced upper respiratory infections, difficulty breathing, diarrhea, dehydration, internal and external parasites, anemia, immobility, ruptured eyes, pododermatitis ("pillow foot"), traumatic injuries, and infected wounds.

In-House Adoptions

 This quarter, PETA found homes for **Finnegan, Loop and Lil, June, Mabel, and Maxi**, among others (including 25 beagles rescued from Envigo—see addendum!).





Billie



Sandy

RESCUED!



Duke and Duchess



Zeus



PETA GOES TO COURT AND WINS FREEDOM FOR CHAINED, NEGLECTED DOGS

After a young pit bull named Minnie died of starvation—PETA fieldworkers found her remains still chained inside her doghouse—we pleaded with local law-enforcement officials to charge her owner with cruelty to animals, both for her and for other neglected dogs also kept tethered on the property. After four months of persistent pressure, officers finally seized the four surviving dogs—Zeus, Duke, Sandy (our cover girl!), and Duchess—who needed urgent veterinary care that the county’s under-resourced shelter was not prepared to provide. Knowing that the dogs might have to stay there for months or even years until the conclusion of the criminal case, we went to court using a unique statute that allows any person to file a civil action for custody of abused animals in North Carolina.

PETA was granted permanent custody of the four dogs as well as a fifth dog named Billie who was acquired after Minnie’s death and kept chained in her spot—collectively known as the “Bertie 5,” for the county in which they lived. In our custody, they were given treatment for bronchitis, heartworm disease, spondylosis, parasites, and other ailments as well as plenty of tender loving care. They also enjoyed receiving long-overdue affection, playing together (for years, while chained, they had never been able to touch), relaxing indoors, and snuggling in cozy beds. Thanks to PETA, the Bertie 5 will never be chained or neglected again.



Minnie

Federal Judge Permanently Bars Envigo From Any Activity Requiring an Animal Welfare Act License at Massive Beagle-Breeding Facility in Cumberland, Virginia



ENVIGO'S PARENT COMPANY, INOTIV, ANNOUNCES THAT IT WILL CLOSE THE FACILITY.

PETA's undercover investigation into Envigo in 2021 blew the lid off neglect, intense confinement, suffering, and death at this dog prison and sparked a historic domino effect that paved the way for its closure. Within a few months, our exposé was followed by the unanimous passage of five groundbreaking animal protection bills, the execution of a search warrant that resulted in law-enforcement officials' seizure of nearly 450 dogs and puppies "in acute distress," federal citations for dozens of violations of animal welfare laws, and a lawsuit filed by the Department of Justice. **No more dogs will ever again be bred, born, or subjected to chronic neglect at this beagle factory farm.**

A U.S. District Court judge approved a plan for all surviving dogs (approximately 4,000) to be removed for a chance at adoption instead of being sold for painful and deadly experiments all over the world. Thanks to our partnership with Homeward Trails Animal Rescue, PETA took in 25 beagles from the facility, and after receiving much-needed TLC and veterinary care, including baths, vaccinations, spay/neuter surgeries, dental cleanings, deworming medication, and microchips, the dogs have all been placed in carefully screened, permanent adoptive homes.

PETA honored Virginia legislators and other individuals who worked hard to help get the "beagle bills" passed and the beagles liberated, including the following:

- Sen. Jennifer B. Boysko
- Sen. William M. Stanley Jr.
- Del. Robert B. Bell
- Del. Michael J. Webert
- Del. Robert D. Orrock Sr.
- Sen. Barbara Favola
- Del. Kaye Kory
- Del. Hyland F. "Buddy" Fowler Jr.
- Del. Irene Shin
- Del. Shelly A. Simonds
- Sue Bell of Homeward Trails Animal Rescue



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