

QUARTERLY REPORT

Community Field and Rescue Work



At just 8 weeks old, Loco was already tethered outside 24/7, including during dangerously cold temperatures.

PETA field staff are out every day, ensuring that “backyard dogs” have food, water, shelter, and insulating straw bedding during the winter.

Thanks to PETA, Loco has been rescued, but countless others remain relegated to the outdoors 24/7 without basic necessities of life.

Read more about the animals we helped this quarter. ►►

Preventing Companion Animal Homelessness

During this quarter, the veterinary staff on our mobile spay/neuter clinics sterilized **3,821** animal companions, including **Ginger**, **Blue**, and **Fuzzy**, who were among the **209** animals PETA's Community Animal Project fieldworkers transported for free to and from their no-cost spay/neuter appointments. We also performed an emergency spay surgery for **Bella**, who was suffering from pyometra, a life-threatening uterine infection. Her guardian donated only a fraction of what an urgent care veterinary clinic would have charged for this procedure.



**PETA's Mobile Clinics Division
has spayed or neutered
240,599 animals since 2001.**

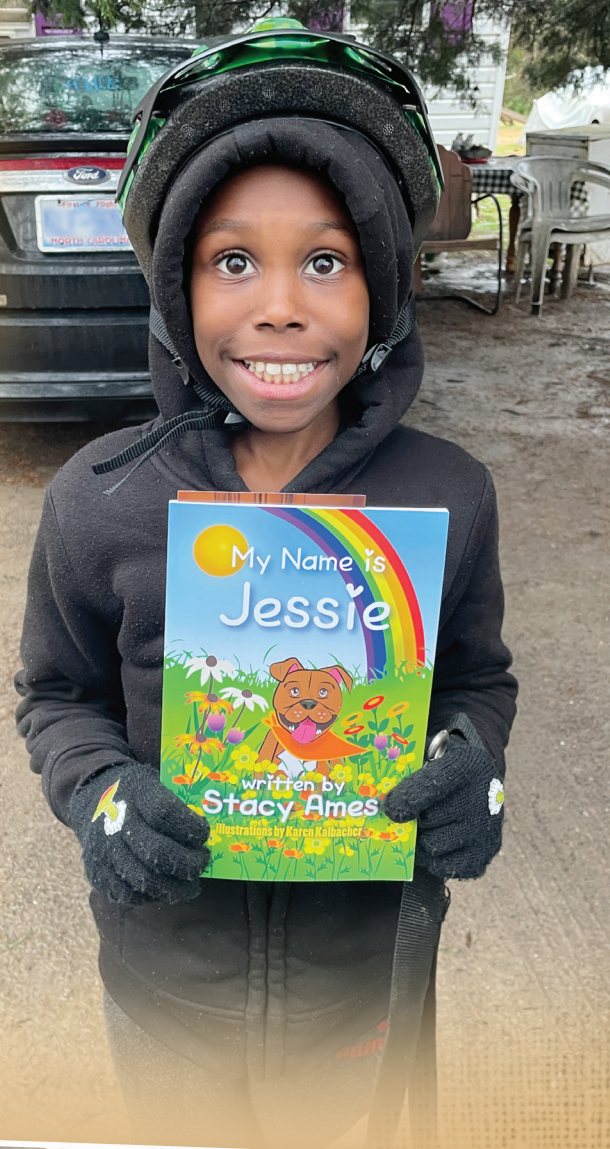
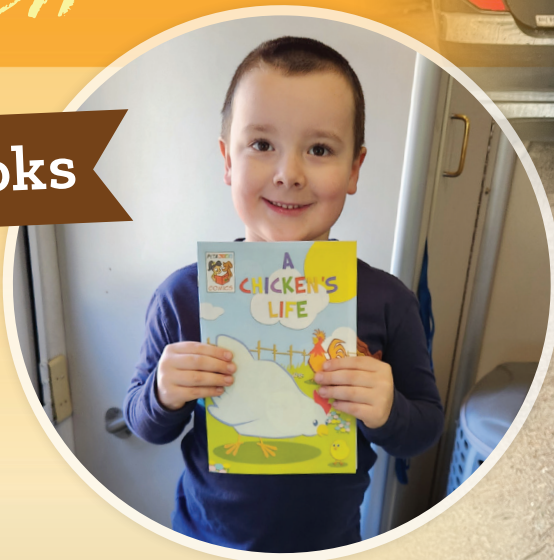
In March, we partnered with the local animal control department in **Gloucester County, Virginia**—a rural area with few options for low-cost care and an abundance of free-roaming cats—to spay and neuter **70** felines in one day!



Community Outreach

Barks & Books

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 hosted our annual **Pups on the Plaza** breakfast event at the Virginia General Assembly in Richmond. Elected officials and their staff and many capitol employees visited our heated tent to meet some wonderful rescued dogs and enjoy delicious vegan fare.



Shelter Partnership Placements

➡ We transferred **99** companion animals to our shelter partners for adoption.

We rescued **four puppies** who had been kept outside in the cold and transferred them to the Virginia Beach SPCA for adoption. They were among the **448** animals our shelter took in this quarter.



Puppies before



Puppies at the Virginia Beach SPCA

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

We secured the relinquishment of cover boy **Loco**, who at just 8 weeks old was being kept tethered outdoors 24/7. We transferred him to the Chesapeake Humane Society for adoption.



Oreo and Mickey after



Loco before



Loco after

Oreo and Mickey before

We also secured custody of neglected and extremely matted dogs **Oreo** and **Mickey**. We neutered and groomed the pair and then transferred them to the Norfolk SPCA.

Helping People Keep and Care For Their Animals

➡ This quarter, we spent **\$788,639** on local services.

One of the **513** requests for assistance that PETA received was for **Teddy**. When his family was unable to afford grooming services, we shaved him down during his neuter appointment, totally free of charge. We also assisted **267** other families in keeping their animal companions this quarter.

This quarter, we delivered custom-built, insulated doghouses to 22 dogs kept outdoors day and night in all weather extremes.

PETA staff and volunteers continued helping animals like **Daisy** by making sure they had access to fresh water and adequate shelter, including insulating straw bedding. We also provided them with food, treats, toys, flea prevention, nail trims, and desperately needed companionship during our visits.



Teddy before



Teddy after



Daisy



Buddy before



Buddy after

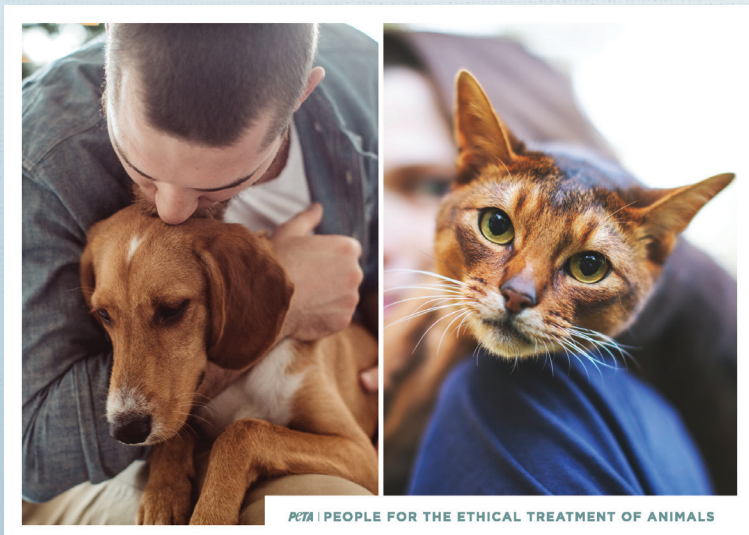
We gave **Buddy**—who had been kept on a heavy chain outside with a three-sided structure that provided little, if any, protection from the elements—a sturdy wooden doghouse, insulating straw bedding, and a 15-foot lightweight tie-out.

Free End-of-Life Services

Beloved senior dog **Kenya** was in kidney failure and had stopped eating—resulting in dramatic weight loss—and was no longer able to walk when his guardian brought him to PETA's shelter for free end-of-life services. He was among the **139** animals we euthanized this quarter at no cost to families who couldn't afford this vital humane service. Their guardians filled out postcards asking their state legislators to safeguard our ability to offer free end-of-life relief. This quarter, **909** of our constituent families sent postcards to their elected officials in support of our services, including compassionate euthanasia—a service that only PETA's animal shelter provides for free in the region.



Without PETA I would not have been able to end my baby girl's suffering. I could not afford it elsewhere and the wait of finances was causing her unnecessary pain.



Among the animals we euthanized were **122 free-roaming cats** suffering from conditions that included advanced upper respiratory infections, broken legs, infected wounds, rectal prolapses, ruptured eyeballs, and other traumatic injuries.

We provided free end-of-life relief for **Zana**, who was sick with suspected cancer, after she became lethargic, stopped eating, lost a significant amount of weight, and exhibited other symptoms of pain and discomfort. She was among the **343** animals we euthanized this quarter.



In-House Adoptions

 This quarter, PETA found homes for **Tobi**, **Zuzu**, and **Fifi**, among others.



Tiny **Fifi** was mostly kept outside and sustained a horrific injury to her eye when one or more larger dogs attacked her. Her eye required an emergency enucleation surgery, which was performed on PETA's veterinary clinic. Fifi spent several weeks recovering in foster care before we found her a loving, permanent adoptive home, where she is thriving!

Fifi after

This should **NOT** be legal. *But it is.*

Please support our work to strengthen animal welfare standards in North Carolina
and protect “outdoor dogs” like Scooby from dangerous weather conditions,
neglect, and abuse.



Scooby

PETA