



2016 ANNUAL REPORT

Building the No-Kill Future



MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES

OUR VISION:

A future in which all companion animals find responsible, loving homes where they are free from abuse, hunger, fear, and loneliness and receive the care and respect they deserve.

OUR MISSION:

Rescue. Nurture. Adopt. Educate.

WHAT WE VALUE:

- › The inherent worth of all companion animals.
- › The principles and goals of the no-kill movement, which we've pioneered since our founding in 1944.
- › The richness and complexity of the human-animal bond.
- › The power of humane education, which is the heart of our Mutt-i-grees® Curriculum. A social-emotional learning program developed in collaboration with Yale University's School of the 21st Century, the Curriculum is the intellectual path to a no-kill future.
- › Our global network of rescue partners with whom we share our decades of experience and expertise.
- › Innovation, a hallmark of our more than seven decades of leadership in animal welfare.
- › The generous support of our friends and donors, and the vital role they play in enriching the lives of companion animals and the people who love them.
- › Honesty, diversity, integrity, transparency, and sustainability.



OVERVIEW:

A national and international leader in the no-kill movement, North Shore Animal League America is committed to saving and rehabilitating the lives of homeless companion animals and educating the public about the joys and responsibilities of rescue. Founded in 1944, we're the largest, most comprehensive no-kill rescue and adoption organization in the world, with more than 2,000 shelter partners across the country and around the globe. Headquartered in Port Washington, N.Y., we rescue, nurture, and adopt nearly 18,000 pets annually into responsible, loving homes, plus assist in the adoptions of thousands more through our global partnerships. Over the years, we've introduced such lifesaving best practices as mobile adoption, off-site adoption, puppy mill rescue, national low-cost spay/neuter referral, humane relocation, and most recently, the Mutt-i-grees® Curriculum, a transformative humane education program based on social-emotional learning and the natural affinity between children and animals. Introduced in 2010, the Mutt-i-grees Curriculum is strengthening the human-animal bond for more than 3,000,000 students across North America, and creating future generations of informed and empathetic adopters.



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

All too often, no-kill is defined by what it doesn't do: kill adoptable, treatable pets. At North Shore Animal League America, no-kill means much more than that. It encompasses not only what we don't do, but also what we do. And what we do, and have done brilliantly for more than seven decades, is create innovative programs like humane relocation, off-site adoption, and so many others that have saved more than one million lives — programs that rescue groups coast to coast now use to save millions more. We're proud to say we led the no-kill way.

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Looking back at our achievements — and forward to a no-kill future — I realize that no single program can do it all. Achieving no-kill means using every idea and tool at your command, and that's what we've done for the animals who need our care and for the movement that needs our leadership.

In the early 1960s, we sacrificed a lucrative animal control contract to maintain our no-kill status. Then, in 1992, we introduced the country's first shelter advertising campaign to showcase pets waiting for adoption. Not surprisingly, we had our critics. Some thought advertising pets was unseemly. Others said we were marketing pets like commodities. We disagreed. Firm in the conviction that there was nothing unseemly in telling the world about animals desperate for homes — or demeaning in showing people that shelter pets make great companions — we moved forward. Today there isn't a shelter worth its name that doesn't use advertising to market its pets, whether on television or radio, in newspapers, or via the Internet.

We also embraced another marketing concept, “exposure.” Our off-site programs — local, regional, and national — led to tens of thousands of adoptions, enhanced the image of shelter animals, and developed an informed “market” for homeless pets.

In 2001, when we launched our Humane Relocation Program, critics once again complained that by “importing” dogs and cats we were depriving local animals of homes.

And once again, we disagreed. Animals don't fret about area codes. We knew we could find families for adoptable “out-of-staters,” and in the process bring more adopters into our Adoption Center where they'd fall in love with homegrown rescues as well. And while rescuing pets from elsewhere, we continued to “pull” countless animals from overcrowded local shelters and from the streets and alleys of our own communities.

Our Humane Relocation Program led to partnerships with shelters across the country and, eventually, around the world, which led in turn to Puppy Mill Rescue, International Rescue, and Global Pet Adoptathon™. For older pets, we created our Seniors for Seniors Program. For special-needs pets, we introduced the Pet Sponsor and Help Me Heal programs. Animals with behavioral issues benefit from our expert Pet Behavior Team, while our Quality Care Team visits new adopters weekly to follow up and provide advice. Both programs help adopters solve problems and keep the pets they love.

And in 2010, we launched the Mutt-i-grees® Curriculum, our revolutionary social-emotional learning program that uses shelter pets to strengthen the human-animal bond and teach children the value and joy of shelter adoption. As the voters, leaders, parents, and adopters of tomorrow, these young people will sustain the values of no-kill.

Much work remains to be done to achieve a no-kill future for pets and the people who love them, but with donors and supporters like you, we believe the future belongs to Mutt-i-grees — those brave shelter animals either waiting for homes or already adopted and loved.

If no-kill were easy and inexpensive, every shelter would be no-kill. But in reality, being no-kill is a costly challenge. So please take pride in reading about all we accomplished together in 2016. Thanks to your dedicated support, a no-kill future is not a matter of “if,” but “when.”

On behalf of the Mutt-i-grees,

J. John Stevenson, President



AN EXCITING UPSTATE INITIATIVE SAVES FELINE LIVES

Located on the shores of Lake George, Warren County is home to approximately 66,000 residents. It's also the site of one of our newest and most exciting projects, the North Country Initiative (NCI), or NSALA in the Adirondack Region. Launched in September 2015, NCI is a holistic program designed to address the complex problems of feline homelessness in ways that are humane, educational, and lasting.

The generous donor who is funding this program asked us to enlist the support of grassroots groups to manage all aspects of the effort. Working with this hands-on team, we've developed a community-driven effort that takes a three-pronged approach to feline homelessness: Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Return (TNVR) to a managed colony; Trap-Neuter-Adopt (TNA) for friendly strays; and Spay/Neuter/Return to Owner. The initiative works with families to educate them so they can keep the pets they love without adding to the problem.

NCI made tremendous strides during 2016. A total of 542 felines were rescued from poor situations, vaccinated, spayed or neutered, treated for parasites and dental disease, nurtured back to health, and behaviorally rehabilitated when necessary. For ferals cats, we introduced a series of programs to deal with their immediate needs and then return them to colonies where they

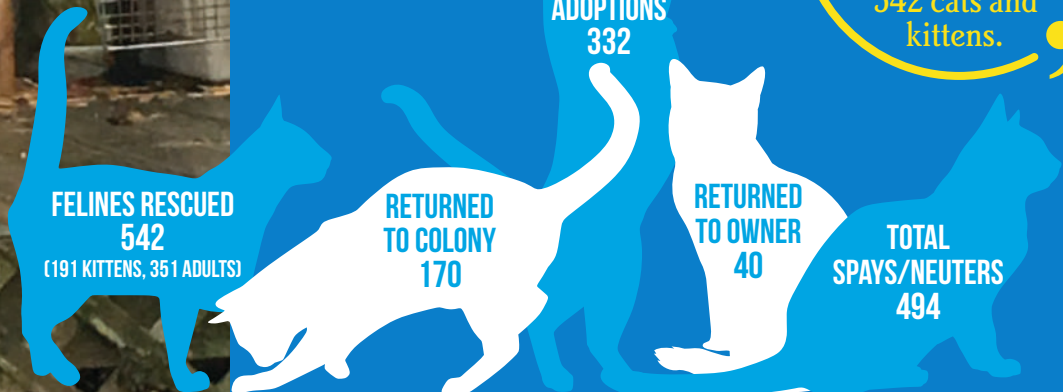
Adirondack Region



now regularly receive food, water, shelter, and ongoing medical care when necessary.

"We also set in motion the search for a no-kill adoption facility in the area," says Senior Vice President of Operations Joanne Yohannan, "which we purchased in 2017. The building is being renovated, and barring unforeseen circumstances, should open in August. In the meantime, we've used the site to help dozens of cats in need in the community. At the same time, we've helped coordinate a variety of adoption events, brought many cats to our Long Island campus, and provided sterilization vouchers through our SpayUSA® program. We anticipate an exciting future for this project."

“ During four months of 2015 and all of 2016, this program made a lifesaving difference for 542 cats and kittens. ”



#Get Your Rescue On[®]

At North Shore Animal League America, we're committed to rescue as a way of life. So in 2015, we launched our Get Your Rescue On[®] awareness campaign to spread the rescue message in three easy, engaging steps.

1. Send a \$25 donation to North Shore Animal League America and receive your Rescue Tag or Cuff.
2. Take a selfie wearing your tag or cuff and holding your favorite rescue buddy.
3. Post the selfie on your social media — Facebook, Instagram, Twitter — and ask your friends and followers to repost your photo and follow your example.

So far, nearly 4,000 people have joined the campaign, including celebrities like Brian Balthazar, Stephen Colbert, Brian Cranston, Alexa Datt, Edie Falco, Keegan-Michael Key, Lisa Lampanelli, Taryn Manning, John Oates, Jordan Peele, Rachael Ray, Robin Roberts, Peter Rosenberg, Beth and Howard Stern, and Neil Walker.

All proudly wear their tags or cuffs as reminders of the ways we can save lives by getting our rescue on: adopt or foster, volunteer, sign petitions, advocate for adoption and spay/neuter, speak up against cruelty, join a local trap/neuter/vaccine/return group, or push for humane education in your schools.

Many people have decided to become monthly donors to our powerful Pet Sponsor Program, which provides lifetime care for more than 30 special-needs dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens. Monthly giving is the answer for those who want to have a meaningful and steady impact on special pets. More and more, people are choosing this option as the best way to make a difference every day.

So join us. Find the way to Get Your Rescue On that works for you — and saves the lives of homeless animals, too.

To Get Your Rescue On[®] visit: getyourrescueon.org

To support our Pet Sponsor Program visit:
animalleague.org/sponsor



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ON![™]



Photo by Ellen Dunn

LENDING A HAND IN THE MIDST OF CATASTROPHE

AUGUST 2016:
Torrential downpours in southern Louisiana dumped 7.1 trillion gallons of water on the region around Baton Rouge and Lafayette, causing deadly flash floods.

OCTOBER 2016:
Hurricane Matthew, the first Category 5 Atlantic hurricane since 2007, killed 603 people from Haiti to the Canadian Maritimes, and left thousands homeless.

Together, these natural disasters killed and displaced an incalculable number of animals. North Shore Animal League America responded by dispatching our Emergency Rescue Units to the devastated areas and saving lives.

In Louisiana we rescued 20 dogs, all relinquished by distraught owners. It wasn't a typical transport, says Rescue Associate/Driver

Ted Moriatis. "When you look into the eyes of these dogs you see the loss, you see the pain. These were peoples' pets, families, their best friends."

Among the 20 were three Pug mixes — Sammy, 7, Shavae, 2, and Bon Temp, 3 (shown at left) — whose elderly owner had lost her home and been forced to surrender her beloved companions — she'd had them their whole lives — to a local shelter. They were so bonded they were like each other's shadows. We wondered if we'd ever find a qualified home for them. But we did! In November, the threesome stole the hearts of a local couple who came to our Adoption Center in search of a four-legged friend to add to their family, but wound up leaving with many more legs than expected.

Karla Agostinello, Animal League America Rescue Team Leader, had traveled to Baton Rouge as part of the transport team. "Once I visited them in their new home and saw how happy and comfortable they were, I cried. I give the adopters so much credit. They're truly amazing people. Now they're the proud parents to three amazing dogs."

A Friend in Need

As Hurricane Matthew bore down on the East Coast, we quickly got in touch with shelter partners in the storm's path. One of our longtime partners, the Outer Banks SPCA, in North Carolina, needed our help. Even though the area wasn't as hard hit as some, the post-storm recovery was taking a toll on adoptions and donations, with flea/tick meds, litter, food, and other necessities in short supply. One of our generous corporate partners, Henry Schein, Inc., donated many veterinary items. In addition, we helped re-stock their shelves with plenty of food from our friends at Purina. Our Emergency Rescue Team also completed a crucial transport of 20 kittens and as many dogs from North Carolina to our Adoption Center.

TWO OF THOUSANDS

Like so many of the animals we rescue every year, Trixie and Sasha are the healthy and happy recipients of Animal League America's long and proven history of partnership, responsibility, medical expertise, and commitment to the no-kill ethic. We're grateful to our many partners around the world, but none are more important than our donor-partners — the individuals, corporations, and foundations that make our thrilling work possible.

Trixie's Got Moxie

Trixie is 100 percent gumption disguised as feline adorability. With a face to melt for, this Persian kitten conquered everyone she met when she arrived in July, not only because she was gorgeous, but also because she was the lively definition of true grit.

Trixie was born with a severe, inoperable spinal deformity that paralyzed her hind legs and interfered with urination and defecation. With time, physical therapy, and compassionate medical care, she began urinating on her own. However, she doesn't know when she's urinating and defecating, so she needs to be bathed frequently to prevent skin irritation.

Still, kittens will be kittens, and nothing stopped spirited Trixie from being the playful kitten she was. One of our ingenious veterinarians, Dr. Philip Litwack, took a special interest in Trixie and, noticing how strong her front legs were — and that she could use her left hind leg slightly — built a tiny mobility cart, which she took to immediately. In fact, Dr. Litwack and Trixie took to each other quickly, too, and after a few months Dr. Litwack adopted Trixie, who joined his feline family of four, three of whom, like Trixie, have special needs.

As Trixie grows into a beautiful young adult, Dr. Litwack continues to design new and better mobility carts to provide this very special cat with as much autonomy and freedom as possible.



Sasha Finds Hope Again

Life had betrayed Sasha. Abandoned by her family, plagued by a disfiguring and painful skin condition, Sasha sat quietly in a cage, her beautiful eyes dulled by pain, alone and terrified in the chaos of an overcrowded shelter in Tennessee. She was scheduled for euthanasia.

And then, everything changed.

One of our Tennessee rescue partners told us about Sasha and we immediately welcomed her to our campus, where she received the most sophisticated, attentive care possible to treat her extreme case of demodectic mange. Whatever she needed — antibiotics, pain medication, special treatment baths, and weeks of emotional support — were hers, thanks to the skilled professionals in our Alex Lewyt Veterinary Medical Center.

In just two months, Sasha was transformed into the healthy, outgoing, beautiful dog she was meant to be, her eyes shining with life. She entered our Foster Care Program, living with Christine Guzobad, one of our veterinary technicians, and socializing with canine friends while she adjusted to a loving home.

Christine's cousin, Barbara Mullaly, and her family immediately felt a deep connection to Sasha, so when the time came for Sasha to go home, the Mullalys were waiting with open arms and loving hearts.



Record Breaking/Heart Warming

Trixie came to us in July, along with 500 other rescues that month. Sasha was one of 802 rescues in March. In fact, our rescue efforts in 2016 produced record-breaking monthly numbers, averaging more than 700 per month. April, for example, brought 803; September, 711; and May, 674. We're proud of those numbers, but prouder still of the resilience and dignity of all of those animals who were willing to give human beings — and life itself — a second chance.



ADOPT!

HOW WE MAKE BEAUTIFUL MATCHES EVERY DAY

Since our founding in 1944, Animal League America has worked tirelessly to combat the deadly misconceptions about shelter pets that stood in the way of adoption. We led the effort to help shelter pets shed their stigma, and we pioneered programs that transformed these brave animals into cherished members of millions of families. Our no-kill mission, our progressive vision, and our compassionate values have generated model programs that educate the public and save countless precious lives. We're honored that our innovative programs — like off-site adoption, humane relocation, and breeding mill rescue — are now standard practice around the world.

Every year, we coordinate adoptions for nearly 18,000 animals through our on- and off-site programs. In addition, we work with shelter partners around the world to find responsible, loving homes for many more. Here are a few of 2016's lifesaving numbers:

2016's PREMIER ADOPTION EVENTS

16th Annual TOUR FOR LIFE®: March 13-May 13

- › More than 2,300 adoptions (Total of more than 17,500 since the first Tour for Life in 2001).
- › Four mobile adoption units crisscrossed the country, covering more than 26,000 miles.
- › Provided adoption opportunities for local shelters and rescue groups in 53 cities in 32 states.
- › Hundreds of participating shelter partners made lifesaving matches.
- › Our generous sponsor: Purina®: "Your Pet. Our Passion."

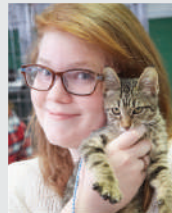
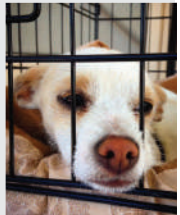
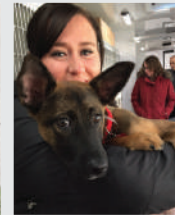
22nd Annual GLOBAL PET ADOPTATHON® April 30-May 1

Throughout the month of May, we coordinated our 22nd annual Global Pet Adoptathon, an incredible worldwide event. Sponsored by Purina®, our Adoptathon once again created a web of adoption encircling the globe.

- › Our 36-hour kickoff on Long Island led to 577 adoptions, thanks to the stalwart support of our volunteer corps and special guests actress Edie Falco and family; Mets Hall of Famer Mookie Wilson; the Mets' mascot, Mr. Met; the Purina Incredible Dog Team; and Donna Lawrence, founder of Susie's Hope, and Susie.
- › 2,000 shelters and groups participated in all 50 states.
- › 29 shelters and groups joined us in 14 countries on every continent in the world, except Antarctica!
- › More than 39,658 adoptions worldwide.



Photos by Lori Cannava



A FEW OF OUR OTHER LIFESAVING ADOPTION PROGRAMS

MOBILE ADOPTION PROGRAM (MAP)

This trendsetting program transports our pets from our Adoption Center to Main Street, where many more potential adopters can meet them. In 2016, MAP vehicles made 726 matches via 173 events.

COOPERATIVE ADOPTION PROGRAM (CAP)

Since 1999, we've used our Mobile Adoption Units to help other shelters boost their adoptions and visibility. These events also generate much-needed funds that benefit these smaller organizations. In 2016, CAP conducted 396 events that led to 5,438 adoptions.

QUALITY CARE TEAM

Our Quality Care Team visits homes in the tri-state area, providing guidance, checking for problems, and doing everything possible to guarantee the success of new adoptions. The team shares information, training tips, and more. In 2016, the team visited 8,460 homes.

SENIORS FOR SENIORS PROGRAM

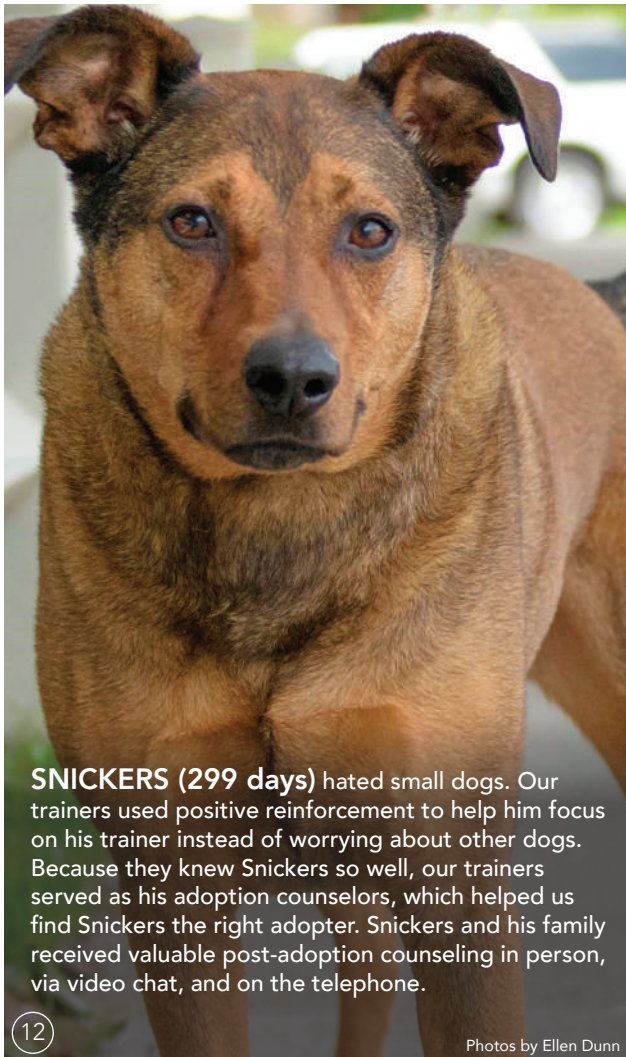
Since 1993, this program has been making perfect matches between senior citizens and senior Mutt-i-grees®, providing both with companionship, purpose, better health, and love. Participants also receive special discounts on adoption fees and various services. This program is funded in part by the generosity of the Olga Graham Fund. In 2016, Seniors for Seniors coordinated 262 adoptions, enriching lives in countless ways.

FOSTER CARE PROGRAM

Our Foster Care Program is a vital part of our work, helping medically or behaviorally compromised pets find temporary, supportive homes until they're ready for adoption. Pets in foster homes grow healthy and develop solid social skills, while volunteer foster parents have a chance to change a life and receive the love of a pet, without the cost or commitment of ownership. Here are a few fostering facts for 2016:

- › 490 animals were placed into 172 foster care homes.
- › 214 of those animals — or 44 percent — were adopted “home to home,” meaning they never had to return to the shelter.
- › Foster families volunteered an incredible 146,834 hours of care.
- › 25 percent of foster families fostered more than once.



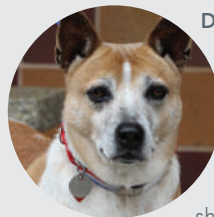


A FRESH START FOR OUR LONG-TERM RESIDENTS

We made exciting changes in 2016 for many of our long-term dogs whose behavioral challenges made their adoptions difficult. To address their needs and improve their chances for adoption, we enlarged our Pet Behavior Department and implemented a structured program based on positive behavioral modification and applied behavioral science. Under new leadership and with an expanded Behavior Team, we saw several dogs who'd spent a long time with us undergo dramatic change and find responsible, loving adopters. The new, multi-faceted program involves customized training for each dog as well as post-adoption counseling and guidance for dogs and adopters to support retention. The staff was deeply moved to see these special dogs go home.

Plans are underway to create a foster care program specifically for our long-term residents who don't deal well with stressors in the shelter environment. This program will also offer community training and education to help owners solve problems so they can keep the pets they love.

Here are just three of 2016's success stories:



DESIREE (194 days) came from Thailand where she'd been stuffed into a tiny cage with other dogs, all intended for the horrific dog meat trade. The experience left deep emotional scars. She was fearful of people and dogs and reacted with extreme terror when anyone touched her neck, which made leash training impossible. Our trainers worked patiently to counter-condition these reactions, and gradually Desiree learned to trust. They also engaged our Quality Care Team to conduct pre- and post-adoption home checks and continued to provide Desiree's adopters with counseling to maintain her sense of security. Her adopters love her, are deeply proud of her, and send photos to the staff that show a happy, safe dog.



WILMER (106 days) required time, patience, and creativity. He arrived as a puppy, was adopted, but eventually returned because of serious resource guarding around food and toys. This behavior is generally learned and rare in puppies, which puzzled our trainers. Nevertheless, they worked with him daily, and in six weeks he was ready for adoption. Sadly, he was again returned, through no fault of his own; a family member had allergies. By this time Wilmer was 7 ½ months old, a huge hound, and the ups and downs of his young life had brought back the guarding behavior. So our trainers went to work again, using play therapy and impulse control methods. An older couple looking for a big dog was intrigued when they spotted one of our trainers working with Wilmer. Then they fell in love. Wilmer is now thriving with his understanding family, who continue to receive guidance and support from our trainers in person, via video chat, and on the telephone.

SNICKERS (299 days) hated small dogs. Our trainers used positive reinforcement to help him focus on his trainer instead of worrying about other dogs. Because they knew Snickers so well, our trainers served as his adoption counselors, which helped us find Snickers the right adopter. Snickers and his family received valuable post-adoption counseling in person, via video chat, and on the telephone.



"We're so lucky to have found him."

"She completes our family."

"I can't imagine life without him."



WE ARE FAMILY!

Almost every entry in our inspiring Mutt-i-grees® Family Album echoes these sentiments, because every relationship with a pet feels like a gift.

When we launched our Mutt-i-grees® Family Album in June of 2015, our goal was to create an online collection of anecdotes and images that would gather people from across the country into a community of individuals and families who've proudly shared their lives with adopted and rescued pets.

To our surprise and delight, the Album has become much more than that.

At the end of 2016, the number of posts on our Mutt-i-grees Family Album page reached nearly 2,000. Each photo and story is as unique as the person who submitted them — and as magical as the pet whose face makes the story come to life. One thing they all share — whether the Mutt-i-grees were adopted, taken in as strays, or "inherited" from others — is a deep sense of how much these animals have enriched life for their human companions — and how much they're valued as irreplaceable members of the family.

Try as you might, you'll find nothing else like the Mutt-i-grees Family Album anywhere.

To become one of the family, visit animalleague.org/familyalbum.



SWINGER

Swinger was my second cat, a sweet Domestic Shorthair from a neighborhood litter. I begged my parents constantly until they agreed to adopt her. This was 1964, in Dubuque, Iowa, and I was in high school. Our first cat, a brilliant male named O'Kiddee (also the result of much begging), had disappeared two winters before. We thought it was okay for cats to be outside. But from then on, all my cats have lived indoors — and loved it. When I left home in 1968, Swinger became my parents' cat, especially my dad's. It was beautiful the way they connected, and after Swinger died, my dad, who was the grocery shopper in the family, could never walk down the pet food aisle again. Since Swinger, I've had seven more cats: Dog, Eggmoggin, Yasmin, Petrov, Basil, Seabiscuit, and now Peppina. I cannot imagine life without a cat. Each one has taught me something unique about being alive. They are magic!



REGISTER YOUR MUTT-I-GREE®! GIVE YOUR PAL THE RECOGNITION THAT ALL MUTT-I-GREES DESERVE.

As of December 2016, 105,000 dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens across America had joined our Mutt-i-grees® Rescue Registry, and had certificates to prove it!

All adopted, rescued, and found pets are welcome to join this registry — the world's only registry for rescue pets — regardless of breed, breed mix, species, size, age, or special needs. As long as you didn't buy your pet, he or she qualifies as a Mutt-i-gree. Once you complete the online registration form, you'll receive a downloadable, printable certificate via email proving that your pet is one of a kind — and that you saved a unique life.

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The Registry is part of the Mutt-i-grees® Movement, which includes the Mutt-i-grees® Curriculum and the Mutt-i-grees® Family Album. Together, these programs promote the desirability, dignity, and value of all rescue pets, while demonstrating that adoption is the best way to add a new companion animal to the family.

Register your adopted pet(s) at animalleague.org/registry to receive a free certificate and join our growing community of adopters.



BETH STERN: THE REAL DEAL

Beth has found her passion and purpose in rescue. She works seven days a week taking care of her fosters and collaborating with Animal League America's rescue team to coordinate rescues both locally and nationally.

"In 2016 alone, Beth fostered and coordinated the adoptions of 150 cats and kittens," says Joanne Yohannan, Senior Vice President of Operations, "bringing the grand total of her four-year volunteer career to more than 400. She personally reviews all adoption requests, meets the adopters, and delivers her 'nuggets,' as she calls them, to their new families."

Cats and kittens are the constants in Beth Stern's life — both private and public — along with her husband Howard and his proud support of her work on behalf of animals. As an Animal League America Volunteer, Foster Parent, and our National Spokesperson for more than a decade, Beth has become a recognized and respected advocate for homeless animals, speaking eloquently for adoption, heightening awareness of the no-kill movement, and showing, by example, the power of volunteering.

In addition, she's used her popular Instagram account to coordinate adoptions for cats, kittens, and dogs, and also to inform people about the importance and benefits of adopting senior pets. In everything she does, Beth's commitment and down-to-earth charisma have brought the plight of homeless pets to the attention of millions. We're deeply grateful for her energy, her creativity, and her dedication to a no-kill future.

BETH'S 2016 MEDIA APPEARANCE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Hosted Kitten Bowl III, Hallmark Channel: Feb. 7, 2016. Promoted the Kitten Bowl on the following: Ellen, E! News, and Scott Shannon Morning Show NY CBS FM.
- New York Post "Page Six" interview about kitten season and adoption: May 10, 2016.
- Hosted the Kitten Summer Games, Hallmark Channel: Aug. 5, 2016. Promoted the Games on the following: AOL Build, Behind the Velvet Rope, Celebrity Page TV, Entertainment Tonight, Fox & Friends, Good Day New York, Mornings with Maria, New York Live, and People Pets (Facebook Live).
- New York Daily News interview about fostering and volunteering: Oct. 12, 2016.
- Beth & Howard Stern and Friends Sponsored a Special Holiday Adoption Event: Dec. 9-11, 2016. Promoted the event on Good Day New York.



GOPHER

Photo by Ellen Dunn



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NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RESCUE

Our no-kill mission continued to stretch around the world in 2016, saving lives from as nearby as Manhattan and from as far away as Thailand. Altogether, 8,500 dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens arrived as rescues at our Long Island Adoption Center, averaging more than 700 each month. We anticipate our network of partnerships will grow substantially in the coming years as new relationships evolve and the need to Rescue, Nurture, Adopt, and Educate continues.

FELINES FROM THE "NEIGHBORHOOD"

Two of our feline rescues began with urgent alerts from Animal Care & Control in Manhattan.

Gopher's Story, as told by Karla Agostinello, Rescue Coordinator: "I pulled Gopher from Animal Care & Control in Manhattan on Oct. 17, 2016. He was on the list to be destroyed that day due to an injury to his lower jaw. He was injured when someone kicked him in the face. A witness brought him to AC&C. His sad face broke my heart. I didn't want his last interaction with a human to be abuse."

Gopher arrived at our Long Island campus needing immediate medical care, which set him on the path to recovery. One month later, he made his debut on our Facebook page, looking handsome and totally "mushable." The only signs of his abuse were a slightly deformed chin and a wayward tooth. His Facebook post generated 82 caring comments, 936 shares, and best of all, a safe, loving home. Pretty spectacular for a kitty who, only a month earlier, had no future at all.

Natalie's Story: Like Gopher, Natalie came to us from Animal Care & Control in Manhattan. When she arrived in January, our veterinarians discovered fresh, open wounds from burn scalding, as well as older, healed wounds, making it likely Natalie had suffered repeated traumas. But despite her condition, this beautiful silver Tabby was super friendly, eager to roll over on her sore back to enjoy belly rubs from her new friends.

A member of our Help Me Heal Program, Natalie needed two months of intense medical and personal attention, and though she'll always have a scar on her spine, nothing will break her bright spirit. Today she lives with our Digital Production Manager Mary Myles and her family, which includes a handsome black cat named Benny, another Animal League America rescue who came to us in 2014 as a six-week-old kitten who, like Natalie, had endured and recovered from severe burns. Gopher, Natalie, and Benny, too — all three are living proof that, thanks to our donors and a staff that just won't quit, last chances can turn into happy futures.

CANINES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

In 2016, North Shore Animal League America rescued 346 dogs and puppies from six international sites:

- › Cayman Islands: 98 canines
- › Moscow, Russia: Five canines
- › Puerto Rico: Eight canines
- › St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands (an unincorporated territory of the U.S.): 99 canines
- › Thailand: (Soi Dog Rescue and Project Street Dogs of Thailand): 107 canines
- › Turks and Caicos: 29 canines

RAMBO'S STORY:

One of those Thailand rescues was a puppy named Rambo. Project Street Dogs of Thailand, a hardworking organization dedicated to saving the lives of homeless dogs and puppies destined for the meat trade, found Rambo with several other puppies abandoned in a landfill. Rambo stood out. He had a deformed front left leg that made him exceptionally vulnerable. We told Project Street Dogs that we wanted to help Rambo, and he arrived in the fall of 2016.

Sadly, his leg was so badly deformed it required amputation. A sweet, good-natured pup, he quickly adjusted, healed, and spent time in one of our foster homes while he acclimated and recovered. Our rescue team simply fell in love with this brave dog, and when he was adopted in October, one of our rescue coordinators remarked that helping to save Rambo reminded her of all the reasons she loves her job.

Rambo's grateful adopter, Bryan, wrote the following: "North Shore made our family so happy by rescuing Rambo from those deplorable conditions in Thailand. (His new name is Max, by the way, like the amazing dog from the old show, 'The Bionic Woman,' who lost his legs as well.) Though he has only been with us a week, Max is an amazing pup. He has already mastered the stairs and is going outside to use the bathroom. He loves playing with his new brother, Roscoe, also a North Shore alumnus! Max manages to keep up with him and does not seem limited at all. I'm attaching some pix of Max in his new home, and again, I thank you for enabling us to adopt this bundle of love. You enabled him to have a normal, happy life."

“ NSALA's no-kill mission continued to stretch around the world in 2016, saving lives from as nearby as Manhattan and from as far away as Thailand. ”



MAX
(RAMBO)

MYLEEN ACEVEDO,
age 7, 2nd grader,
Fenton Charter Leadership
Academy, Sun Valley, Calif.
"I am interested in
helping others who
have less than me."

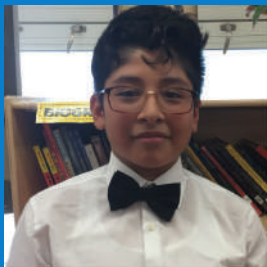


MEET THE 2016/17 NATIONAL MUTT-I-GREES® STUDENT AMBASSADORS OUR FORMIDABLE FOURTEEN!

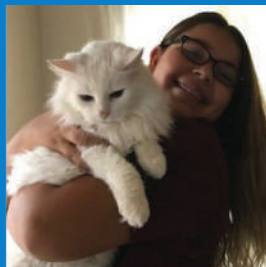
Our National Mutt-i-grees® Student Ambassador Program attracted a record 14 participants in 2016. They range in age from 7 to 17, and hail from California, Connecticut, Kentucky, New Jersey, New York, and Oklahoma. The group includes 11 young women and three young men. And when you do the math, they've already racked up a collective 30 years of volunteer service, mostly in animal welfare.

These 14 students represent not only their classmates and schools, but also thousands of other dedicated Mutt-i-gree students who are working with their teachers, local shelters, and communities to create a no-kill future.

(What's a MUTTS Club? MUTTS is an acronym for Motivated Understanding Thoughtful Teenage Students. The name was coined by a group of middle school students in Van Buren County, Ark., who founded the first MUTTS Club. The name became so popular that Mutt-i-grees students now use it across the country.)



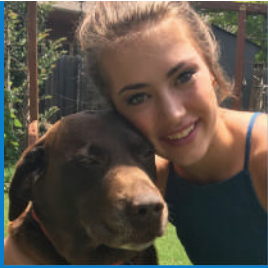
JIMMY CARPIO CASTRO,
age 12, 8th grader, Middle
School 88, Brooklyn, N.Y.
This campus leader has five
goals in mind, among them:
helping find responsible,
loving homes for two puppies
with MS 88 staff or students.



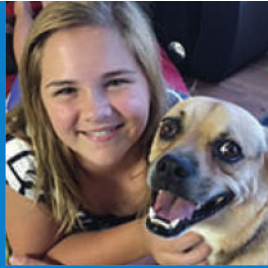
TABITHA COMEAR,
age 13, 8th grader,
Schuyler-Colfax Middle
School, Wayne, N.J. "My
main goal for MUTTS Club
is to create a donation drive
for the Mt. Pleasant Animal
Shelter in East Hanover, N.J."



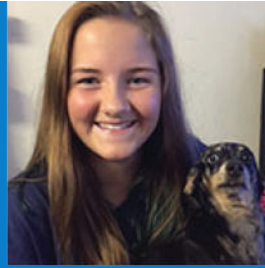
JENNIFER COSTA,
Age 13, Volunteer at
Stepping Stones Museum
for Children, Norwalk, Conn.
"I adore dogs and I want to
spend more time making a
difference in their lives."



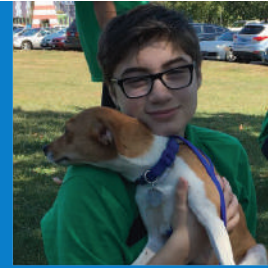
RAGAN FLETCHER, age 17, 11th grader, Bixby Central Intermediate School, Bixby, Okla. A busy third-year Ambassador, Ragan noticed that many kids want to be veterinarians. So she arranged a MUTTS Club visit to a clinic to give them a close-up look at the profession.



KENNEDY FRITZEN, age 13, 8th grader, Curtis Inge Middle School, Noble, Okla. "I will reach out to my community and urge them to have their pets microchipped because so many animals are lost during tornado season here."



SAVANNAH FRITZEN, age 12, 6th grader, Curtis Inge Middle School, Noble, Okla. "I want to let people know about the MUTTS Club and what we do at school and in the community to help homeless animals."



EVE (STEVIE) GUEVARA, age 13, Volunteer at Stepping Stones Museum for Children, Norwalk, Conn. "I would like to introduce kids who visit the museum to the shelter world and show them that pets with disabilities or who went through a bad time in life can be loving companions."



LILI KOLTON-SHAFFER, age 12, 8th grader, Stephen Gaynor School, New York, N.Y. "Shelter dogs, especially breeds like Pit Bulls, are often misunderstood and left behind. People with learning differences can feel the same way. I think there's a special relationship between animals and people who have similar struggles."



MATEO LEVIN, age 13, 8th grader, Stephen Gaynor School, New York, N.Y. Mateo is so passionate about shelter adoption that he recently persuaded a schoolmate's family to adopt a dog rather than buy one. Mateo wants to start a talk show on YouTube focused on humane education. "I hope to have guests of all species and ages."



VICTORIA MCCAFFREY, age 14, Volunteer at Stepping Stones Museum for Children, Norwalk, Conn. A strong advocate for adoption, Victoria has many projects in mind, including getting her high school cross-country team to practice running with local shelter dogs.



MCKINNEY (MAC) MEEK, age 15, 9th grader, Paul Blazer High School, Ashland, Ky. Mac has been involved with Mutt-i-grees for several years, and in middle school taught the Curriculum to younger children. In the spring of 2016, he took part in an Ashland-to-Long Island humane relocation transport.



JULISSA ORTEZ, age 10, 5th grader, Fenton STEM Academy, Sun Valley, Calif. "Julissa cares about animals and people," says school counselor Toni Frear. "She chose the runt of a litter and saved him. Julissa exhibits similar empathy for her peers."



JUTHI ROY, age 13, 8th grader, Middle School 88, Brooklyn, N.Y. "I'm a huge animal lover, and ever since I was a little girl I've volunteered. Dogs teach people responsibility and empathy."

LUCKY PUPS FIND GREAT "ON-THE-JOB" NEW LIVES

NEW YORK'S SCHOOLS "ADOPT" THE MUTT-I-GREES® CURRICULUM

Thanks to its versatility and effectiveness, the Mutt-i-grees® Curriculum is always finding new ways to help more homeless dogs find families, fun, and classroom adventures.

In late 2016, some of Animal League America's Mutt-i-grees became key players in an exciting new venture, when we teamed up with the New York City Department of Education's Office of Counseling Support Programs to pilot a Mutt-i-grees project in seven schools during the 2016/17 school year. The program is now in four schools in Brooklyn and one each in Queens, Bronx, and Manhattan. To mark the official launch in December, the Chancellor's Office hosted a festive kickoff celebration at the Tweed Building in Manhattan.

Focusing on social-emotional learning, school climate, and student/dog interaction, the program begins with a thorough adoption process that matches a teacher or counselor in the school with just the right dog, who then becomes part of the social and academic experience for an entire school. Besides supporting the Curriculum, the pups take part in counseling and crisis intervention, including behavioral crisis de-escalation and bereavement assistance. And at the end of the school day, they go home with their new pals to soak up in all the fun of being teacher's pet.



IZZY, adopted by Trae Schlesinger, who teaches grades three through five at P.S. X176, Bronx, N.Y.

Two-year-old Izzy came to Animal League America from an abusive home in Virginia where she was used as a breeder. Life has improved a lot since then. Today Izzy's favorite pastimes include belly rubs, doggie ice cream, and rolling around outside, including in the snow. Trae and Izzy are partners at the largest special education school in the country. Izzy's skills include helping students express their feelings, connect to each other, and even conquer their fear of dogs. Trae says Izzy has also learned a lot. "At first she was a bit overwhelmed by so many new faces," says Trae. "Since then, she's gained confidence and become more comfortable interacting with humans. The Mutt-i-grees Curriculum is such a wonderful program that it should be implemented in more schools. A dog may be a man's best friend, but the Mutt-i-grees Curriculum is a teacher's best friend!"



PETEY, adopted by Irene Parker, Assistant Principal at Peter Rouget Middle School 88, Brooklyn, N.Y.

If you listen to Irene talk about Petey, it's clear this adorable five-year-old pup has found his niche in life, after a not-so-great start. "I adopted Petey from North Shore," says Irene. "He was abandoned outside the shelter there, so we don't have any background information." Nevertheless, Petey is a natural for the Mutt-i-grees Curriculum, proving that canine resilience is a great model for stressed-out kids. "They love his calming presence. Special ed students crowd into his 'office' once or twice a week." He's currently working with a weekly lunch club and also helps with empathy lessons in the guidance office. "It's an incredible opportunity to have a member of my family help teach our students empathy and responsibility," says Irene. "It gives me chills to think about how just his presence has helped students have better days in school and renew their focus."

MAISY, adopted by Cody Rosen, who teaches grades K through five at Emily Dickinson PS 75, New York, N.Y.

The first lesson 18-month-old Maisy taught the students at PS 75 involved nothing less than democracy itself. The school held a contest to name her. And the winner, in every sense, was "Maisy." According to Cody Rosen, who adopted her from Animal League America, Maisy and the Curriculum have already inspired Dickinson families to adopt pets of their own. "Maisy takes the Curriculum's lessons to the next level," says Cody. "Her presence allows the entire school community to make physical connections to the Curriculum. Students walk her, feed her, play with her, and learn to recognize how she feels, even students who've had no previous interaction with dogs. In addition, kids as young as five are learning to be accountable for their actions and feelings toward Maisy, as well as toward each other!"





MEDICINE AND HEALING EXPAND AND EXCEL

We're proud of our top-notch medical team, which includes 19 veterinarians and 86 licensed vet techs and vet assistants. One of our veterinarians is certified in veterinary acupuncture to provide the most progressive care possible. In 2016, our doctors and medical staff conducted 51,735 exams, performed 1,174 advanced surgeries (including soft tissue and orthopedic), and administered more than 58,556 vaccinations. Our medical team also provides health education and information to adopters, past and present, and to clients from throughout the tri-state area.

In keeping with our no-kill mission, we're dedicated to addressing the immediate problems of pet homelessness through adoption and spay/neuter. In 2016 our medical team performed nearly 10,000 spay/neuter procedures. In addition SpayUSA® — the only program of its kind — is increasing access to low-cost spay/neuter from coast to coast. In 2016 SpayUSA maintained a database of more than 1,800 low-cost sterilization programs and clinics with more than 7,000 veterinarians nationwide. Our access to this extensive information allowed us to provide referrals to 26,723 clients for 58,791 animals, helping to prevent countless numbers of litters and hundreds of thousands of homeless dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens.

Our Freed Special Recovery Center opened in late 2016. This important facility provides a safe and comfortable isolation and treatment area accommodating up to 150 animals with contagious and often life-threatening diseases. This helps us maintain our no-kill mission as well as improve the overall health of the population of animals in our care. We've already seen positive results in a decrease of both parvovirus and pneumonia cases.

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Construction on the Don and Karen LaRocca Pet Wellness Center began in late 2016 with plans to open the comprehensive facility in 2017. The increased capacity will allow us to provide wellness and preventative care for our adopted pets and community animals. A new rehabilitation/physical therapy suite will also expand our scope of care, offering

much-needed support for injured, post-operative, and geriatric patients to improve and prolong good quality of life. Likewise, our high-tech Marvin M. Fried Dental Suite will play a prominent role in the center. In 2016, our team performed 1,097 dental procedures, from cleanings to tooth extractions, oral mass resections, jaw fracture repairs, and tooth repair/sealing — relieving acute pain and preventing serious illness.

Honors, Kudos, and Accolades



In June, our outstanding medical services received special recognition when the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA) accredited the Pet Health Center/Alex Lewyt Veterinary Medical Center as an AAHA facility. AAHA accreditation was granted only after a rigorous review of our hospital's practice protocols, medical equipment, facility, and client service. The AAHA Standards of Accreditation, viewed as the standard of veterinary excellence, contain more than 900 individual standards divided into 19 sections. These areas include patient care and pain management, surgery, pharmacy, laboratory, exam facilities, medical records, cleanliness,

emergency services, dental care, diagnostic imaging, anesthesiology, and continuing education. In the United States and Canada, less than 15 percent of hospitals caring for small animals have achieved AAHA accreditation. The entire Animal League America community is excited to be part of this elite group.

- › In November, Long Island Business News (LIBN) honored Senior Vice President and Chief of Medical Staff Dr. Mark Verdino, V.M.D., as Veterinarian of the Year for his achievements in veterinary medicine and animal rescue and rehabilitation. LIBN has sponsored the Achievements in Health Care Awards for 16 years, but 2016 was the first year veterinary medicine was included as a category of excellence. We congratulate Dr. Verdino for winning the inaugural award in his field and for bringing well-deserved attention to our medical center and its dedicated staff.
- › In December, we received additional recognition from Great Britain's "Global Health & Pharma Magazine," which cited North Shore Animal League America as the Best No-Kill Animal Rescue & Adoption Nonprofit Organization in New York.
- › "Global Health & Pharma Magazine" also presented us with its Excellence Award for Animal Sterilisation Referrals in New York.





EMPIRE STATE BUILDING LIGHTING AND WOOF TOP PARTY

LIGHTING UP THE SKY AND OTHER LIFESAVING EVENTS

Empire State Building Lighting and Wooftop® Party Kick Off Tour For Life®

On March 9, Beth Stern flipped a switch and lit the Manhattan skyline with our blue and white signature colors. As Volunteer, Foster Parent, and National Spokesperson, Beth was bringing attention to our Tour For Life and the plight of homeless animals across America. Later that evening, our Y-Adopt Council hosted the first Wooftop® Party for 350 young professionals at the trendy Monarch Rooftop Lounge. That night, we introduced our ANIPALS™ Program, a way for individual supporters to connect with an animal at our Adoption Center and then promote the adoption of that Mutt-i-gree® through social media.

Lewyt Humane Awards Luncheon

On June 15, more than 250 guests gathered at Leonard’s Palazzo, in great Neck, N.Y., for our 15th Lewyt Humane Awards Luncheon, a fundraiser for Bianca’s Furry Friends Feline Adoption Center. Television producer and media personality Brian Balthazar hosted the event. Highlights included a proclamation honoring the Alex Lewyt Veterinary Medical Center for its accreditation by the American Animal Hospital Association and the presentations of the Sandra Atlas Bass Philanthropist Award to Trudy Levy and the Outstanding Corporate Supporter Award to Optimum.



GET YOUR RESCUE ON GALA

Get Your Rescue On® Gala

On Nov. 18, at the Mandarin Oriental in Manhattan, more than 400 supporters enjoyed world-class entertainment, gourmet cuisine, an interactive silent auction — plus puppies and kittens! The Gala was dedicated to raising funds for our ongoing capital campaign, Bianca’s Furry Friends Feline Adoption Center. The event’s honorary co-chairs, Beth and Howard Stern, have spearheaded the fundraising for this innovative feline center, and in addition have fostered more than 400 cats and kittens since 2013. Special guests included comedian Lisa Lampanelli, singer Belinda Carlisle (formally of the Go-Go’s), Matt Lauer, Katie Lee, Alexa Datt, Peter Rosenberg, Michael Kay, host Pam Stone, and Crown Media Family Networks’ President and CEO Bill Abbott, the recipient of the Crystal Collar Award.

TCS New York City Marathon

On Nov. 6, 35 of our most fit and determined Animal League America supporters hit the ground running as members of Team Animal League, raising more than \$120,000 for our Bianca’s Furry Friends capital campaign.

GET
YOUR
RESCUE ON
GALA



Photo by Amy Mayes



BARK IN
THE PARK-
CITI FIELD

Run the Hampton Marathon and Half Marathon

On Oct. 1, six loyal supporters ran for Team Animal League, raising \$5,283 for the Mutt-i-grees. In addition, 5Ks in Brooklyn and Eisenhower Park brought in nearly \$12,000 to save lives.

Bark in the Park-Citi Field

Throughout baseball season, the New York Mets graciously hosted four Bark in the Park fundraisers for Animal League America's Mets fans and their canine buddies.

Other events included Dog Days of Summer Party, Aug. 10, Carlyle on the Green, Bethpage State Park, Farmingdale, N.Y.; Yappy Hour, Sept. 1, Southampton Historical Museum, Southampton, N.Y.; and Barkin' Beach Brunch, Sept. 25, The Crescent Beach Club, Bayville, N.Y.

MEDIA MATTERS

Our continued success at placing both local and national broadcast segments enables us to increase awareness about the plight of homeless animals as well as the importance of rescue and adoption. Additionally, we continue to generate broadcast, print, and web coverage across the country for Tour For Life®, Global Pet Adoptathon®, and other national and international programs, expanding Animal League America's presence and influence, generating adoptions, helping our shelter partners raise their profiles, and moving all of us closer to a no-kill future.

2016 MEDIA NUMBERS

Online Hits: 2,769
Total Viewership: 6.8 billion
(estimated number of unique
visitors per website)
Broadcast Hits: 3,410
Total Viewership: 113 million
(estimated number of
viewers per TV show)

PRINT

Print Hits: 218
Print Viewership: 55 million

RADIO AND TELEVISION

1010 WINS
Bravo's Watch What Happens Live
BuzzFeed
Daily Burn 365
Fox & Friends
Fox 5 New York

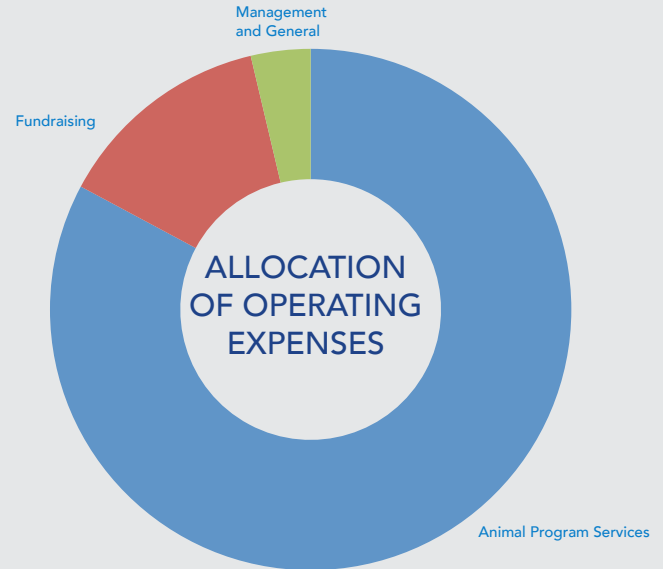
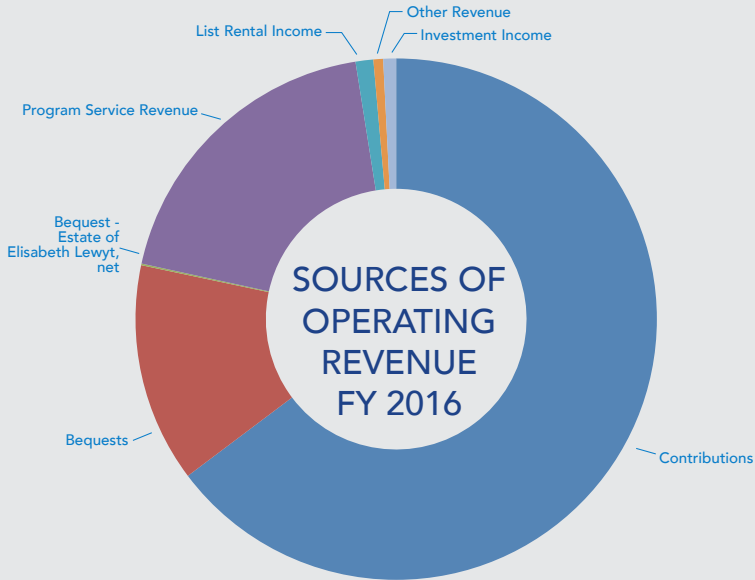
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Hallmark Channel
News 12 Brooklyn
News 12 Long Island
People Pets
PIX 11 Morning News
Rachael Ray
The Dodo.com
The Late Show with Stephen Colbert
The Today Show
WHTZ - Z100

SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook Just under 900,000 followers
(We reached one million Facebook followers
in early 2017!)
Instagram 70,746 followers
Twitter 44,502 followers
We also enjoyed a growing presence
on Google+, Tumblr, LinkedIn, Pinterest,
and Snapchat.

2016 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2016



			% of Income
Contributions	\$	27,413,695	64.9%
Bequests	\$	5,736,816	13.6%
Bequest – Estate of Elisabeth Lewyt, net	\$	34,239	0.1%
Program Service Revenue	\$	8,037,599	19.0%
List Rental Income	\$	458,704	1.1%
Other Revenue	\$	249,506	0.6%
Investment Income	\$	322,574	0.8%
Total Income	\$	42,253,133	100.0%

			% of Expenses
Animal Program Services	\$	34,626,690	82.9%
Fundraising	\$	5,619,912	13.5%
Management and General	\$	1,508,214	3.7%
Total Expenses	\$	41,754,816	100.0%



Photo by Ellen Dunn

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,778,694
Restricted cash	\$ 22,259,343
Investments	8,679,433
Bequests receivable	244,222
Bequest receivable – Estate of Elisabeth Lewyt, net	1,975,039
Land, buildings, and equipment	13,011,247
Other assets and prepaid expenses	3,162,161
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Total Assets	\$ 51,110,139
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LIABILITIES

Accounts and accrued expenses payable	\$ 4,335,002
Annuity payment liability	825,578
Accrued pension benefit obligation	5,272,505
Line of Credit	999,825
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Total Liabilities	11,432,910
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NET ASSETS

Unrestricted:	
Available for operations	1,947,474
Net investment in property and equipment	13,011,247
Temporarily restricted	24,155,592
Permanently restricted	562,916
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Total Net Assets	39,677,229
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Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 51,110,139
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The Pet Protectors Society®

This list celebrates the people who have made a legacy gift for the animals of the future. IHO denotes In Honor of... and IMO denotes In Memory of...

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Mrs. Lin Riggs
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Suzanne Sargent
Marie Sarni
Rosalind Sausa
IHO Dr. Paul Thiergardt
and Scout
Danny Scamara
Susan Shalit
Toni Sheppard

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Sandra L. and Austin A. Snarr
Jamai Sowul
Mae Stadler
Darlene Steers
Bruce Strausbaugh
Max Tadlock
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Misty Thomas
Renate Uhde
Betty C. Vasquez
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Celia Blanco and
Eugenia Anton
Adele Grace Borut and Family
Dennis and Linda Boxer
Peter Bronner and Sylvia Poorth
B. Lynn Bunnagar
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John Caspersen
Barbara Ciaffone
David H. Collier
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Muriel Cook
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Martinsville, Va.

Twenty-one years ago, we created a partnership with the SPCA of Martinsville-Henry County, in Virginia, a progressive no-kill shelter in a city of about 15,000 people just 50 miles north of the North Carolina border. Since then, we’ve welcomed nearly 45,000 dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens from this shelter, helping the organization reach its no-kill status ahead of schedule.

“North Shore Animal League America is a blessing,” says the SPCA’s executive director, Nicole Harris. “They charted and perfected the course for progressive shelters everywhere. We model 90 percent of our programs on North Shore’s ideas, whether it’s intake care, medical care, spay and neuter, or adoption. Why reinvent the wheel when it runs so smoothly? In fact, the people at North Shore are my superheroes. Whenever I talk to them, I envision them wearing big red capes, flying animals to safety.”

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Precious Friends is a small shelter with a five-person staff and a group of community volunteers. Nevertheless, every week we transport as many as 30 to 40 puppies and 10 or 12 adult dogs from Clarksville to Port Washington.

"North Shore Animal League America is the reason we exist," says Ariana Duckett, Precious Friends' director. "Without North Shore, we'd be nothing. Honestly, we're lucky if we can adopt 150 animals a year here in Clarksville. All the others we send to North Shore. Because of North Shore, we're able to reach out to other shelters in Tennessee as well as in Kentucky, Georgia, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Arkansas, Alabama, and even Texas."

Mountain City, Tenn.

During the past few years, Animal League America has established a thriving partnership with another Tennessee rescue group, Rescue DOG & End of Life Sanctuary. Mountain City, a rural community of about 2,400 people, borders both Virginia and North Carolina, giving this no-kill shelter the opportunity to save animals from three states. "We have a great relationship with this organization," says Cindy Szczudlo, our Director of Rescue Services. "Each month we transport about 80 to 100 dogs and puppies to our campus from the Mountain City region. It just shows the kind of need they have down there."

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