

# HOUSTON HUMANE SOCIETY

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**2021**  
IMPACT REPORT





Dear Friends,

2021 was a notable year for me. It was my 24<sup>th</sup> anniversary working with the Houston Humane Society. It all began in 1997 after I graduated from college. HHS offered me the opportunity to combine my love of animals with my degree in Business. The years passed quickly as we expanded programs, built the Wellness Clinic, and added staff to care for an ever-increasing number of animals needing help.

Last year, we served **62,007 animals** of all sizes, from guinea pigs to horses. The Wellness Clinic and Shelter programs cared for **28,846 animals**, including **391 dogs/cats, 194 horses/livestock, and 24 birds/small animals rescued by the HHS Animal Cruelty Unit** working with law enforcement and 101 from the destruction of Hurricane Ida in Louisiana. The Pet Pantry program distributed **1,428,917 meals of food** to feed **34,209 pets** living in households struggling to make ends meet.



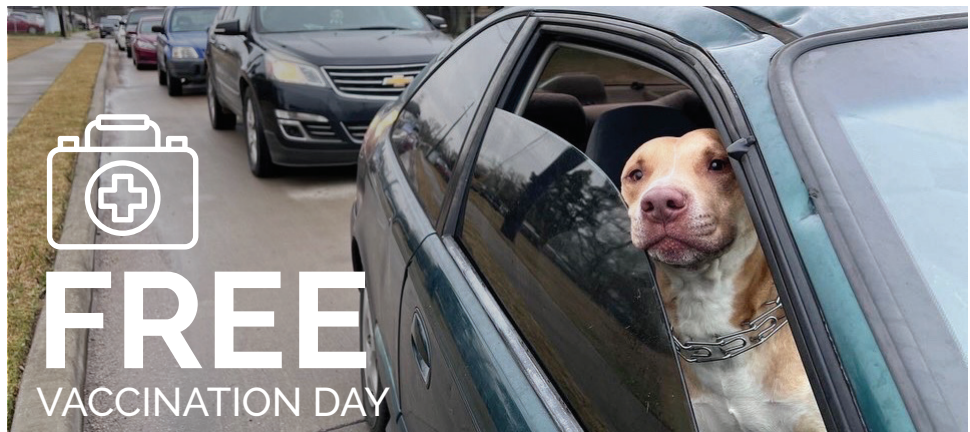




HHS Animal Cruelty Unit partnered with county and area law enforcement agencies to investigate reports of cruelty. We provided shelter, medical treatment and comfort to four-legged victims.



Clinic staff administered  
33,464 vaccinations in 2021.



Partnerships with others enabled us to prepare for a population expanding in size and diversity. More people of all races own pets. Yet, less than 2% of vets are Hispanic or Black. Dr. Tony Malone, Tuskegee University Veterinarian School grad and Medical Director of our Wellness Clinic, built an externship and residency program for Black and Hispanic students interested in pursuing a career in veterinary medicine.

HHS's new Teen Leadership Program focused on high-school students who want a career in animal welfare. They shadowed our animal medical and cruelty investigation staff, helped care for animals, and assisted with humane education, and they learned people with a wide range of degrees had made animal welfare their profession.



CLINIC PERFORMED  
**13,264**  
SURGERIES



We continued our popular **Camp Pawsome** program, teaching children to love, respect and care for animals. These one-week sessions scheduled throughout the year for children ages 7 to 15 provided hands on experience with animals and developed life-long animal lovers.

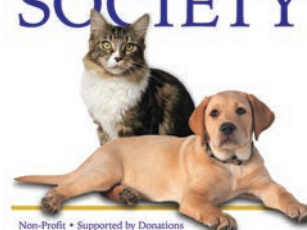


Here's to another 24 rewarding years with HHS. It's a career of a lifetime! Thank you for the opportunity to serve animals and the people who love them.

Forever grateful,

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