

Year In Review

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2020 Calendar of Events

August 21

DASF/TCAP Discounted Vaccine Clinic at Linda McNatt Animal Care & Adoption Center - with FREE rabies vaccines sponsored by DASF

August 28

Clear The SheltersFREE Adoptions at Denton Animal Shelter

10am - 5pm

September 1

Scheduled giving opens for North Texas Giving Day!

September 23

North Texas Giving Day

- 6 am Midnight
- Half-price shelter pet adoptions at the Linda McNatt Animal Care & Adoption Center & Lake Dallas Animal Shelter, 10 am – 5 pm, sponsored by DASF

October 1

DAS/TCAP Discounted Vaccine Clinic at MLK Rec Center - with FREE rabies vaccines sponsored by DASF

November 20

DASF/TCAP Discounted Vaccine Clinic at Linda McNatt Animal Care & Adoption Center - with FREE rabies vaccines sponsored by DASF

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Cover photo of pets saved by DASF



Chairman's Message

Celebrating 15 years of saving Denton area pets! It began in 2006 with an idea to help the struggling and out-of-date Denton shelter increase adoptions. At that time, the live-exit rate was less than 40%. DASF played a major role in building and equipping the new Linda Mcnatt Animal Care & Adoption Center which opened five years ago. This new Denton shelter achieved "no kill" status as defined by live exit rate. It is a state-of-the-art shelter with the highest ratings in North Texas. And DASF continues to support the shelter with many programs, equipment, veterinary needs and more. Now DASF also aids the Lake Dallas Shelter. DASF has grown into a major supporter of animal welfare in Denton County, providing a myriad of community programs for pets and their owners in need. The foundation reaches out to veteran, homeless, fixed/lower income, disabled, students and other pet owners. The Shelter Endowment Fund will insure support for shelter pets in perpetuity.

My deepest gratitude to all the donors, supporters and volunteers who made this success possible. Thank you to the hard-working Board of Directors and to Kiara Hunter, Executive Director. A special thank you to those who have taken this rewarding journey with me for many years! And to my husband, Bob for his patience, support, advice and confidence in the foundation's mission.

Bette Sherman Chairman & Co-Founder

Message from the Executive Director

Denton Animal Support Foundation celebrated its 15th anniversary this year - and what a year it's been!

When COVID-19 hit our community, DASF quickly adapted to continue our lifesaving work. We knew COVID-19 would bring challenges - including financial instability for pet families. We immediately partnered with the Linda McNatt Animal Care & Adoption Center to open an Emergency Pet Food Pantry - open six days a week - where people can receive the food and supplies they need to keep the pets they love. This action helped reduce the number of animals surrendered to the shelter by 85%. Both the shelter and DASF are dedicated to keeping the pantry open as long as the community needs it.

Every one of our accomplishments was made possible by you and others in our community. While this has been a challenging time for so many in Denton, you made it possible for the Denton Animal Support Foundation to keep moving forward in our commitment to animals. DASF has been here for 15 years, and we remain committed to being here for animals and the people who love them.

Thank you for helping save more Denton area animals.

Kiara Hunter, Executive Director



Shelter Support Programs

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Adoption Subsidy Grants

These grants enable shelter management to lower adoption fees to enhance adoptability of certain pets, specifically seniors, special needs, hard-to-adopt, and pets that have been overlooked. These funds also provide flexibility to the shelter to offer "special adoption events" such as half-price adoption days. Lower adoption fees increases affordability and expands the pool of potential adopters.

Emergency Medical Grants

Launched in 2007, the Fund supports emergency medical expenses for pets to receive needed crucial medical care, including medications and surgical procedures to enhance their quality of life and increase their chances of adoption. DASF raises funds to cover the costs so these pets may recover and have a second chance at a happy life. In some cases, previously adopted pets are sometimes aided in an emergency. This funding is provided to the Linda McNatt Animal Care & Adoption Center/City of Denton Animal Shelter. Funding is also given to the Lake Dallas Shelter for shelter pet spay/neuter and vaccinations. When funding is available, DASF assists community members seeking financial help with emergency veterinary services. Hundreds of animals benefit from this program annually.







The DASF Heartworm-Positive Voucher Program

This program helps offset the cost of heartworm treatment for heartworm positive shelter pets, increasing their chance of adoption. A subprogram of the Emergency Medical Fund, DASF provides a \$100 voucher to adopters of heartworm positive dogs at the City of Denton Animal Shelter. The voucher is redeemable at any veterinary clinic for treatment of the condition.

Shelter Pet Marketing/PR

DASF provides a high level of visibility for shelter pets available for adoption through social media - nearly 80,000 potential adopters are reached annually. Paid ads are purchased automatically for special needs, senior and hard-to-adopt pets. DASF volunteers post many pets daily to increase exposure to potential adopters.

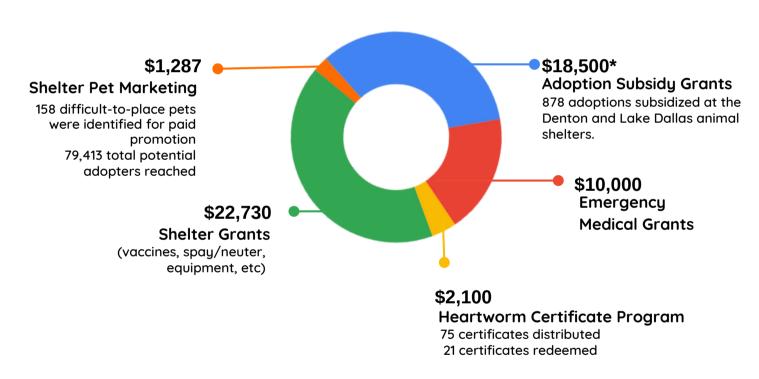
Shelter Grants

Grants are given to the shelters for needed supplies and necessary equipment, at their request. Examples are: facility improvements/upgrades. new/replacement equipment, furniture, veterinary equipment/supplies, pet food play yard and activity equipment, and more. DASF is committed to helping maintain the highest quality of comfort and care for shelter pets.

2020-2021 Shelter Financial Support

Growth in both the human and pet populations in the Denton area has increased the number of pets entering both Denton Animal Shelter and Lake Dallas Animal Shelter. The support DASF provides can be crucial to continue a high live exit rate of the municipal shelters.

\$54,617



*Includes subsidies for ½ price adoption events, long term pets, senior pets, heartworm positive dogs and all FIV+ cats and kittens.













Community Support Programs

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Community Grants

DASF seeks to support animal welfare initiatives in the community that address pet wellness and homelessness. Grants are given to the Texas Coalition for Animal Protection's (TCAP) low-cost clinics to subsidize spay/neuter services for Denton County residents. DASF previously granted funds to purchase Kevlar Vests for K-9 dogs at Denton County Sheriff's Department. Community grants also assist with veterans, homeless community outreach initiatives, TCAP vouchers for vaccines to individuals and rescue groups who pull pets from the animal shelter, and other community support initiatives. Additionally, DASF provides funding to local rescue groups handling the care of Denton dogs seized from hoarders.

Emergency Medical Grants

The Emergency Medical grant program helps animals who need urgent and emergency veterinary care. The intent is to fill a small gap in funding that is keeping an animal from care. Decisions are based upon several factors, including: medical urgency, financial need, and available funding. Due to the overwhelming number of applications we receive, we cannot help everyone, but we will do everything we can to help.

Free Rabies And Low-cost Vaccine Clinics

In partnership with Texas Coalition for Animal Protection (TCAP), DASF sponsors free rabies vaccines at multiple low-cost vaccine clinics in the Denton area throughout the year. Over 1,000 pets are served each year whose owners have low or fixed income, are disabled, homeless, students, elderly, or have large families.

Emergency Pet Food Assistance

Since 2010, DASF has provided gift certificates of \$25 - \$30 each to people seeking short-term help for pet food/supplies. These are provided regularly to the Denton Animal Shelter and are dispensed six days a week. In 2019, DASF expanded the program to include the Lake Dallas Animal Shelter as a pick-up location. Emergency pet food assistance offers temporary assistance to help individuals and families facing income insecurity feed their pets. DASF provides assistance for pet owners facing short-term financial insecurity. In addition, when requests are made, DASF provides pet food to several local agencies: Denton County Veterans Coalition, Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen, SPAN Meals on Wheels - Senior Paws and Denton Community Food Center. DASF also initiates pet food drives as needed for the local animal shelter and community agencies.

Education Program

Each year, Denton Animal Support Foundation volunteers travel to elementary schools, libraries, churches, and other venues across the Denton County area to engage with youth about proper pet guardianship and safety. DASF provides local libraries with books to help equip the next generation with skills to safely interact with animals in the community and care for their own furry family members.

Website materials available for download. Website resources for owners can be found at www.dentonasf.com/resources





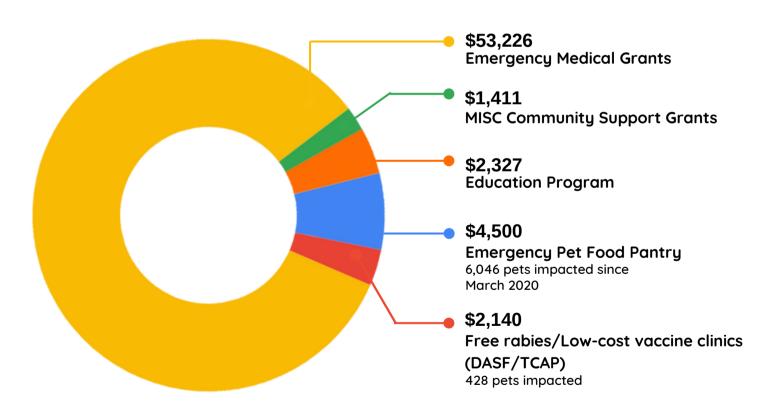
2020-2021 Community Financial Support

KEEPING PETS OUT OF SHELTERS

Community initiatives focus on making pet ownership more affordable, reducing pet abandonment and overpopulation, as well as emergency food assistance. Thanks to our generous supporters, DASF provides funding for community support and intake diversion programs.

Every dollar makes a difference to a pet in need.

\$63,604



Total All Support: \$118,221

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THE SHELTER ENDOWMENT FUND - A LEGACY OF LOVE

New Addition to Endowment Committee - Blanton Stogdill

Blanton is enthusiastic about being part of DASF. And we are thrilled to have him join us!

A graduate of UNT, Blanton attended NCTC before transferring to UNT. He worked at a Gainesville Bank during college and currently supervises his company's regional secondary mortgage operation. Blanton's experience also includes serving on the endowment committee of his church.

The Endowment Committee, which is comprised of both DASF board members and non-board member stakeholders made the decision to engage professional financial management of the funds similar to most charitable foundations' handling of these types of funds. This decision ensures long term growth with very moderate risk. This means that funds will be available for grants to the shelter annually in perpetuity.



Endowment continues to grow! This permanent fund provides support for Denton shelter pets in perpetuity. Grants are made to the shelter upon application by shelter management. Funding for the grants is generated by investment revenue. It is intended that the principal remains intact in order to continue to produce revenue for future requests. To date, over \$40,000 has been distributed to the shelter.

Thanks to our investment manager, Cultivar Capital, the fund's value continues to increase. The Endowment Committee, consisting of both DASF Board members and non-Board member stake-holders, monitors the fund closely. Donations are easy and can be made in cash, appreciated stock, IRA distributions, wills and estate planning and more. Donors of \$2,500+ are acknowledged on the Honor Plaque in the shelter public area.

A Board member is happy to discuss the endowment with anyone interested. For more information, visit our website: www.DentonASF.com or email: info@DentonASF.com or telephone/text: 940-765-1550. Your generous gift can last forever!



Ringo Starscream

Ringo was hit by a car and shattered her pelvis. Her only chance at a recovery was with emergency surgery. Surgery went smoothly and we are happy to report she is doing well! She's already trying to walk but her owner is keeping her cage bound during recovery for the next few weeks and DASF is assisting will follow up care expenses.

From Ringo's family: "Thank you again for everything that you did to help us. I can't tell you how much we appreciate it and how much of a difference it made for Ringo. Thank you again!"



Ambrotious

Navy Veteran owner rescued him from a dumpster while on deployment. Now important emotional support for veteran who was out of work until recently. Ambrotious' surgery went well and he is home resting with his family.

From Ambrotious' Family: "It's been a long day, but he is doing well. Now time to recover. I cannot thank you and the Animal Support Foundation enough for what you have done for us today! A thousand "thank yous" will never be enough. It is truly appreciated. I am grateful for you and all you do. Thank you."



Rasing Funds for Denton Animals

COVID-19 severely impacted fundraising events in 2020. A big THANK YOU to the Denton community for your dedication to saving more Denton area animals and supporting DASF despite!

North Texas Giving Day 2020 \$100,680 Raised

North Texas Giving Day 2020 -DASF was again the #1 fundraiser of all nonprofits in Denton County and #2 fundraiser overall of participating small nonprofits in the metroplex. Approximately 4,000 nonprofits joined the event. In total, we raised \$100,680 for the animals! THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED DASF DURING THIS CRITICAL EVENT!

Holiday Appeal

\$25,610 Raised

Holiday Appeal – raised over \$25,000. The year-end appeal provides a last opportunity for tax deductions to aid pets in need. Total includes a \$1,000 grant from the **Home Depot Foundation**.

Facebook Fundraisers

\$10.000 Raised

Everyday people come together to support the causes they believe in by donating to or raising funds for nonprofits they care about on Facebook®. It's easy to get involved and help raise critical funds for animals in need in our community. Visit DentonASF.com/facebook-fundraiser for more info!

Kroger Cares \$5,400 Raised

The Kroger Community Rewards Program gives back to nonprofit organizations every year. As a Kroger customer, you can designate the Denton Animal Support Foundation as your nonprofit of choice. There are zero fees to sign up, and it adds nothing to your grocery bill — all you have to do is continue shopping at Kroger.

Amazon Smile \$3,600 Raised

AmazonSmile donations help support DASF's lifesaving programs and made a powerful difference for animals in need. We are continuously grateful to AmazonSmile for this exciting new opportunity. We hope we can count on you to help make a difference today—it only takes one click!

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Your Dollars Save More Denton Area Animals



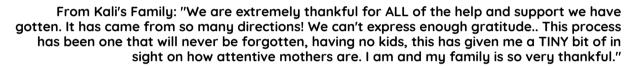
Jase

Jase is a 9 year old lab who was in need of orthopedic surgery. The owners have a son who had an accident which left him paraplegic. The mother is unable work so she can take care of their son and the family was struggling with a hard decision. DASF helped raise critical funds to ensure this family could get Jase the surgery she needed.

From Jase's family: "Jase had her follow up and everything looks good. The bone is healing well, no infection. In four weeks she can be off leash. She's a excited happy dog again! Here's an updated picture she's smiling and she says thank you for caring and all your generosity for everyone who helped her."

Kali

Former shelter dog, Kali needed surgery to repair an old injury. She is a sweet pit-bull mix adopted 2 years ago. She was abused and then in the shelter 3 months. Thankfully DASF and donors like you stepped up to ensure Kali could receive the surgery and treatment ne she needed!





North Texas Giving Day

Thursday, September 23, 6:00 AM to Midnight
ONE DAY CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR AN ANIMAL IN NEED

Denton Animal Support Foundation (DASF) will be celebrating our eleventh year of participating in North Texas Giving Day (NTXGD)! From September 1st - Sept 23rd, you have the chance to make an incredible difference for animals in need and the people who love them. This is DASF's most critical fundraiser of the year!

NTXGD is an annual campaign that unites the entire community in our mission to save more Denton area animals. NTXGD is an opportunity for you to share your passion for animals and be part of our dedicated community of supporters. Most importantly, funds raised during NTXGD are crucial to ensure DASF can continue our lifesaving work.

For more inspiration about how you can make a difference this North Texas Giving Day, visit DentonASF.com/ntxgd. You'll help save lives and give so many animals a second chance!



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