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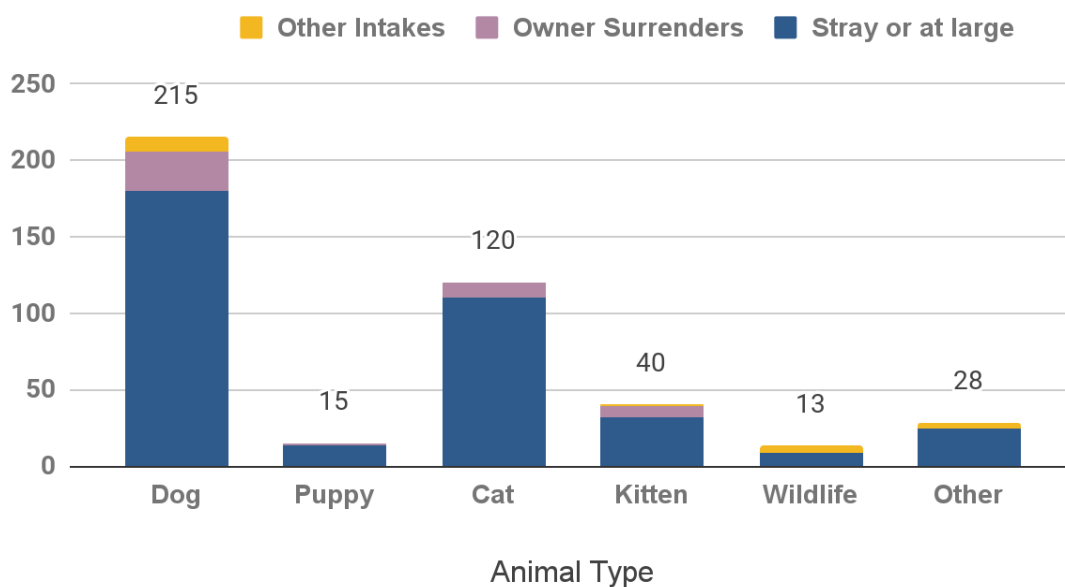
During December 2022, Services and shelter access were limited. Adoptions were conducted virtually.

Animal Intake

MCAS accepted stray dogs, sick or injured adult cats and kittens from the public. Officers also picked up stray or lost animals. Owner-surrendered animals were accepted on a case by case basis, depending on urgent circumstances. Other intakes commonly represent animals placed into protective custody by Animal Services officers.

Intake Type	Dog	Puppy	Cat	Kitten	Wildlife	Other	Total
Stray or at large	180	14	110	32	8	24	368
Owner Surrenders	26	1	10	7	0	0	44
Other Intakes	9	0	0	1	5	4	19
Total Live Intake	215	15	120	40	13	28	431

Animal Intake by Type and Circumstance





Veterinary Care Provided

Animal Health and Animal Care staff provided a wide range of veterinary services to animals in care.

To keep animals healthy, Animal Health staff, and partner veterinarians in the community administered 993 vaccinations, including rabies, [DA2PP](#) and Bordetella for dogs and puppies, and [FVRCP](#) for cats and kittens.



They provided 981 health exams and consultations, including routine exams, wound checks, pre-surgery checkups, behavior assessments, and reviewing test results or diagnoses with foster volunteers. Due to veterinary staff availability, spay and neuter surgeries for shelter animals were limited, and many adopters were issued vouchers to complete surgeries at contracted veterinary clinics.



Veterinary Service	Cats	Kittens	Dogs	Puppies	Other	Total
Health Exams & Consults	272	183	448	25	53	981
Spay & Neuter Surgeries	9	44	5	2	2	62
Medications Administered	994	613	2,362	18	13	4,000
Tests & Diagnostics	6	3	0	1	0	10
Vaccinations	318	128	491	44	12	993
Other Vet Treatments	130	215	312	52	27	736
Total Services	1,729	1,186	3,618	142	107	6,782

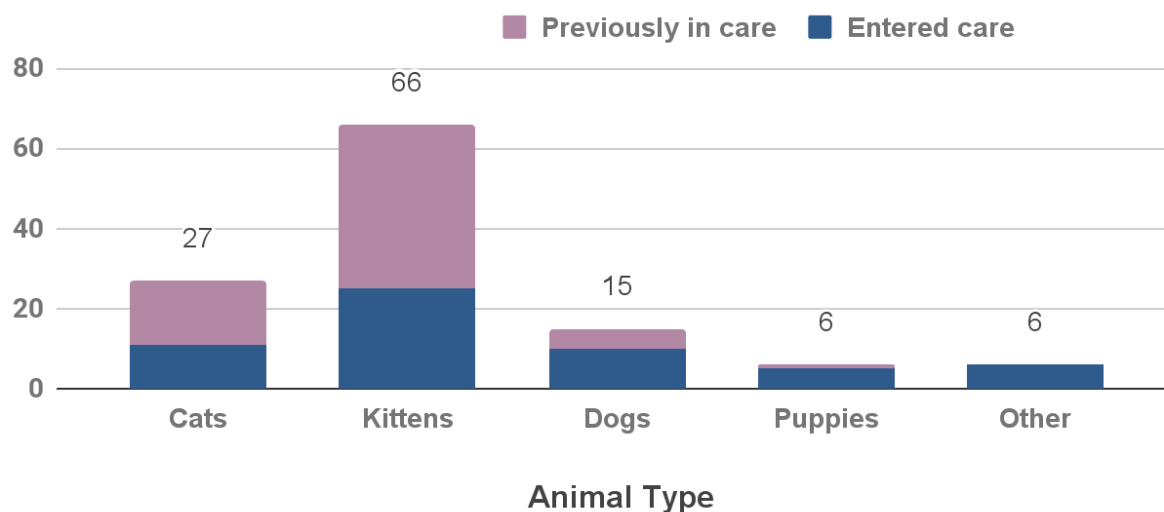


Fostered Animals

In December 2022, the majority of animals in foster care were kittens, adult cats, and dogs. Many animals entered and left foster care over the course of the month, so the total number does not represent the maximum number of animals in care at one time.

Animal type	Entered care	Previously in care	Total in foster care	Returned from care
Cats	11	16	27	8
Kittens	25	41	66	39
Dogs	10	5	15	7
Puppies	5	1	6	3
Other	6	0	6	1
Total	57	63	120	58

Animals in Foster Care





Animal Outcomes

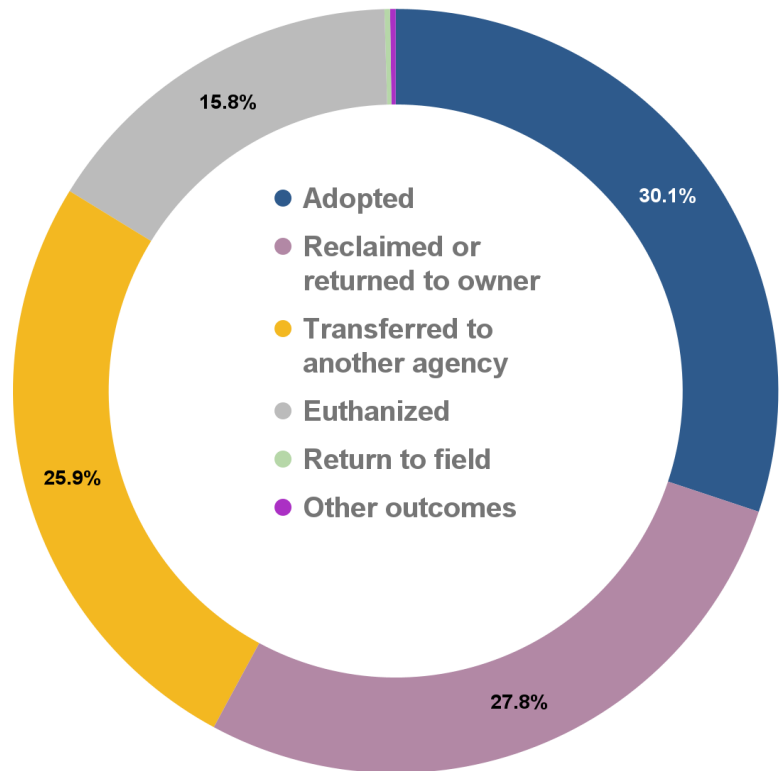
In December 2022, one-hundred-and-twenty-eight (30.1%) animals were adopted. Adoption fees were waived, limited to the online process, and adopters were not able to browse kennels or conduct adoption interviews on-site. Adoptions were also performed from community adoption partners, and foster homes.

One-hundred-and-eighteen animals (27.8%) were reclaimed by their owners. The majority of animals represented in these outcomes were dogs.

One-hundred-and-ten animals (25.9%) were transferred to another agency. The majority of these animals were adult cats, kittens, and dogs.

Sixty-seven animals (15.8%) were humanely euthanized, including cases of injured wildlife, injured or severely sick cats, and other domestic animals at the recommendation of a veterinarian, or for behavioral issues which would make an animal unsafe to place back into the community. [Cat intake is officially limited to cases where the cat is sick or injured, or in immediate danger due to cruelty, neglect, and similar circumstances](#), and kittens over six weeks old. There is decreased intake volume for cats, and an increased percentage of veterinary-recommended euthanasia for adult cats due to these intake conditions.

One instance of wildlife, a skunk, (0.2%) was returned to the field at the location where they were found. One cat (0.2%) escaped and was lost in care.

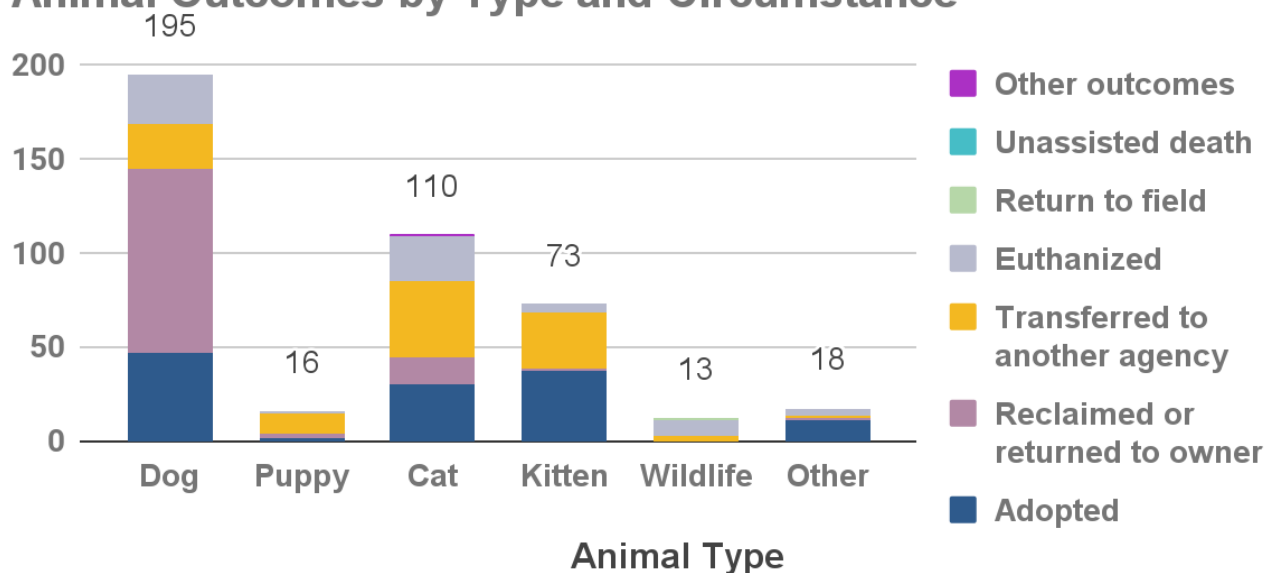




Animal Outcomes (continued)

Outcome Type	Dog	Puppy	Cat	Kitten	Wildlife	Other	Total
Adopted	47	2	30	38	0	11	128
Reclaimed/returned to owner	98	2	15	1	0	2	118
Transferred to another agency	24	11	41	30	3	1	110
Euthanized	26	1	23	4	9	4	67
Return to field	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Unassisted death	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other outcomes	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Total	195	16	110	73	13	18	425

Animal Outcomes by Type and Circumstance





Volunteers

Volunteer Roles	Hours
Foster <i>(all animals)</i>	2,814
Dogs	303
Cats & Kittens	68
Transport	17
Other <i>(Office, laundry, info desk, reserve officer, rabbit enrichment, grooming)</i>	226
Total	3,429

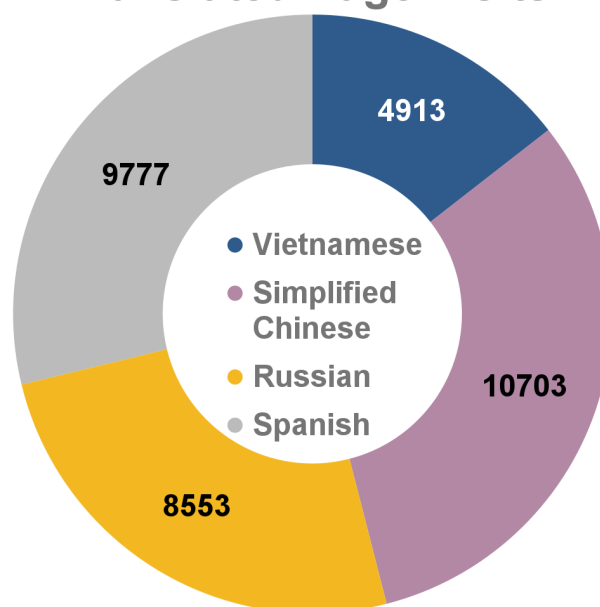
The majority of volunteer hours in December were recorded by foster volunteers. Dog volunteers assisted with potty-walks, cat volunteers increased activity, transport volunteers and office volunteers also assisted with administrative tasks, including a team posting found animal profiles to [social media](#).

Online Resources

Many services provided by MCAS are accessible online, at multcopets.org. Members of the public can search for adoptable or lost / found pets, license their pets, and learn about other resources and news. MCAS website pages are translated into four languages.

	Page Views
Adoptable Pets	86,989
Lost & Found Pets	38,924
Home Page Visits	48,003
Licensing Resources	10,096
News & Updates	6,039
Low-Cost Services	3,659
Kitten Resources	351
Field Services	3,973
Volunteering	1,715
Other Pages	27,047
Total	226,796

Translated Page Visits





Field Services

Field Services officers responded to Five-hundred-and-eighty (580) urgent needs of community members and their pets, investigated cases of potential cruelty or neglect, bites, and picked up stray, injured, abandoned, potentially dangerous, or deceased animals. Officers also responded to non-urgent calls such as barking dogs, animal trespass, and other community issues.

Dispatch Category	Count	Percentage
Deceased Animal Pickup	41	7%
Stray Animal	86	15%
Suspected Cruelty / Neglect	124	21%
Loose aggressive animal (<i>Animals actively charging, attacking, or chasing people or animals</i>)	46	8%
Bite Investigation	71	12%
Loose nuisance animal	16	3%
Injured Animal	12	2%
Abandoned Animal	34	6%
Animal Placed in Protective Custody	42	7%
Other	108	19%
Total	580	100%

Pet Licensing

MCAS issued 1,623 total new or renewed licenses in December.

Type	Cats	Dogs	Total
Licenses Issued	549	1,074	1,623