



2025 IMPACT REPORT

Together, We Changed Lives.

Thanks to you, more animals
found safety, healing, and
loving homes in 2025.



CONTRA COSTA Humane Society



A Message From Our Co-Presidents



What We Built Together.

As we reflect on 2025, we're reminded that meaningful change happens through community. Every adoption, foster placement, medical treatment, volunteer shift, donation, and shared post helped create a better future for animals across Contra Costa County.

This year, we continued to grow our programs, expand our reach, and strengthen the support systems that keep pets and people together. From neonatal kittens needing around-the-clock care to dogs receiving enrichment and second chances through Sunday School, every life touched by CCHS is part of a much bigger story.

None of this work happens alone.

It happens because fosters opened their homes. Because volunteers gave their time. Because donors believed in our mission. Because our community continued to show up for animals who needed compassion, safety, and hope.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to building a more humane and connected community, one where animals are cared for, families are supported, and every pet has the opportunity to thrive.

Thank you for being part of this work and for helping make 2025 a year of impact, growth, and second chances.



With heartfelt thanks,
Marie Ramagli & Steve Amos
Co-Presidents, Contra Costa Humane Society



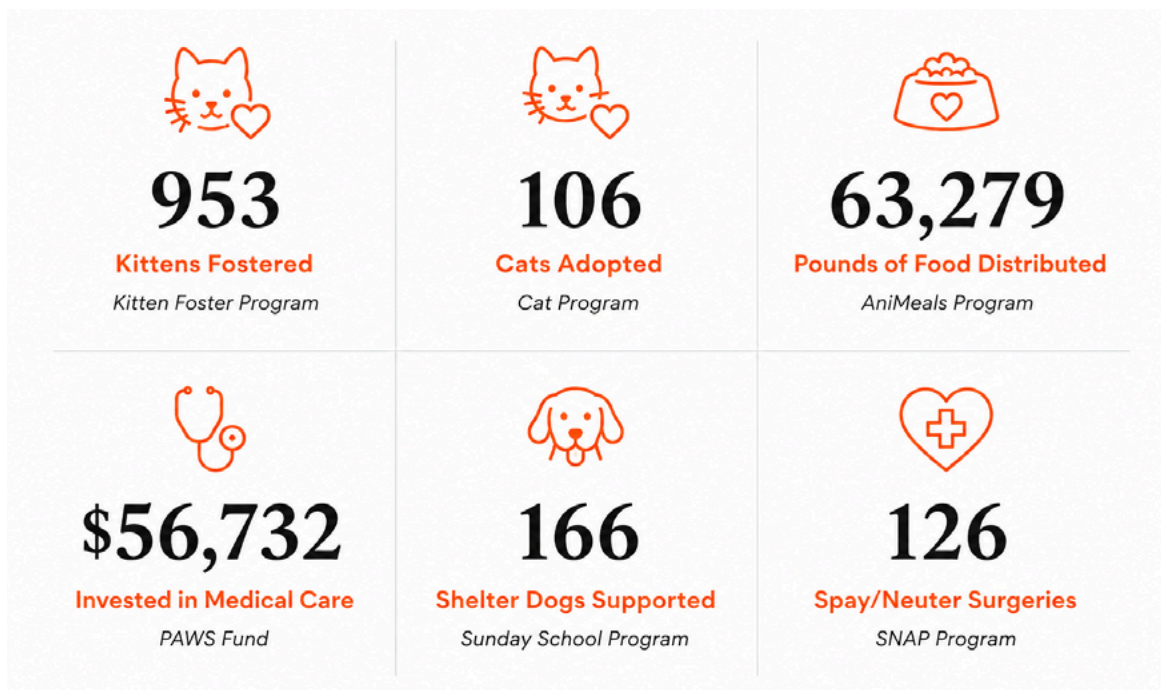
A Year of Impact, Thank you

MISSION

To improve the quality of life for dogs and cats in our community, find homes for animals in need and provide support for people who need assistance with care for their animals.

Every day, your support helps us show up for animals in need and the people who love them.

Here is a look at the difference we made together across Contra Costa County in 2025.



Thank you for being part of this life-changing work. Because of you, more animals are safe, healthy, and loved.

Together, we save lives.

*Reporting Note: Program statistics in this report reflect calendar year 2025 activities. Financial information is presented in accordance with IRS Form 990 reporting requirements; therefore, some figures may vary.



The People Behind the Mission

Behind every program, adoption, and second chance is a team of people committed to making a difference for animals in our community.



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Rooted in Compassion **Building for the Future**

Contra Costa Humane Society was founded in 1991 through the merger of two long-standing animal welfare organizations — Stop Pets' Annual Yield (SPAY) and the Animal Protection Bureau (APB). What began as a grassroots effort has grown into a trusted resource for animals and pet owners across Contra Costa County.

Over the years, CCHS has continued to evolve to meet the changing needs of the community. In 2025, our programs continued to expand, supporting more animals and families through adoption services, foster care, pet food assistance, medical support programs, and community outreach.

With the support of dedicated staff, volunteers, fosters, donors, and community partners, CCHS continues to expand its impact while remaining committed to its mission of creating a more compassionate community for animals and the people who love them.

As we look ahead, we remain focused on strengthening lifesaving programs, increasing access to care, and ensuring more animals receive the support they need to thrive.



Saving Lives **Animal Programs**



At CCHS, our programs are designed to work together — creating the greatest possible impact for animals and the people who love them. From foster care and adoption support to pet food assistance, medical support, and community outreach, our work is rooted in keeping pets safe, healthy, and connected with their families.

We partner with Contra Costa Animal Services to help both at-risk and adoptable pets with the shared goal of getting animals out of shelters and into safe, loving homes. When an animal needs help, our team is there to provide the care and support they need.

One of our biggest priorities is saving the most fragile lives — bottle babies. These tiny, orphaned kittens require around-the-clock care and specialized support to survive. Through our year-round foster program, kittens are given the opportunity to grow, heal, and thrive in loving home environments until they're ready for adoption.

Everything we do is driven by the belief that animals belong in homes, not cages. With the support of fosters, volunteers, staff, and community partners, CCHS continues to create pathways to safety, healing, and lifelong companionship for animals throughout Contra Costa County.



Saving tiny lives **Creating brighter tomorrows**

In partnership with Contra Costa Animal Services, our Kitten Foster Program continues to save some of the most vulnerable lives in our community.

From neonatal bottle babies to kittens needing medical or behavioral support, our foster network provides safe, loving homes where kittens can heal, grow, and thrive.



953

KITTEN
INTAKES



935

KITTENS
IN FOSTER



422

KITTEN
ADOPTIONS

Through the dedication of fosters, volunteers, donors, and staff, hundreds of kittens received lifesaving care and the opportunity for a second chance in 2025.





More Than a Shelter Space **A Place to Belong**

Contra Costa's First Free-Room Feline Environment

At Kitty Corner, adoptable cats and kittens enjoy a calm, home-like environment while they wait to meet their perfect match. Designed to encourage natural behavior and meaningful interaction, the space allows cats to explore, play, rest, and connect comfortably with visitors and volunteers.

Every resident is spayed or neutered, fully vaccinated, and ready to begin their next chapter in a loving home. Visitors can schedule appointments or attend open adoption hours to meet cats in a relaxed setting where personalities and compatibility naturally shine through.

Kitty Corner also provides support for cats needing extra care, including hospice residents and cats adjusting to life outside of the shelter environment. With the help of dedicated staff and volunteers, Kitty Corner continues to provide comfort, enrichment, and second chances for cats across Contra Costa County.



106
CATS ADOPTED
IN 2025



Confidence Begins Here

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Every Sunday, our volunteers show up to help each dog feel safe, seen, and ready to meet their match.

In partnership with Contra Costa Animal Services (CCAS), our volunteers show up at the shelter every Sunday to help dogs build confidence, practice social skills, and increase their chances of finding loving homes.

At Sunday School, adoptable dogs receive enrichment, training, and a much-needed break from kennel life.

From pool time and sniffy walks to basic manners training and puzzle games, every activity is tailored to the dog's unique needs.

In 2025, Sunday School continued to make an impact far beyond the shelter helping dogs move into foster homes, transfer to rescue partners, and find forever families.



166

DOGS SUPPORTED
IN 2025



1,039

VOLUNTEER HOURS
IN 2025



Healing Changes Everything



PAWS FUND

Providing Animal Wellness Support

Through the PAWS Fund, Contra Costa Humane Society provides lifesaving medical care for animals with serious illnesses, injuries, and chronic conditions.

From emergency surgeries and dental procedures to advanced treatment for Feline Infectious Peritonitis (FIP), the fund gives vulnerable animals the chance to heal, recover, and thrive.

In 2025, donor support helped provide more than \$56,000 in specialized veterinary care for 28 animals — many of whom have already found loving homes.



♥ FEATURED STORIES



WHISKEY

5 MO | IN FOSTER

Ongoing treatment for Feline Infectious Peritonitis (FIP) while receiving care in foster.



MANGO

2 YRS | ADOPTED

Received treatment for a congenital frenulum and urinary incontinence before finding a loving home.



TATE

1 YR | ADOPTED

Successfully underwent repair of an oronasal fistula at UC Davis and is now thriving in his adopted home.



28

ANIMALS SUPPORTED

IN 2025



19

ANIMALS ADOPTED

IN 2025



\$56,732

MEDICAL CARE PROVIDED

IN 2025



Stronger Together

Supporting Pets & People

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

At CCHS, we believe animal welfare is community welfare. Through our outreach programs, we work to build a more compassionate and connected community, one that supports both pets and the people who love them.

Whether it's distributing pet food to local families through our AniMeals program, helping cover medical costs through reducing barriers to care through SNAP, our outreach is rooted in one goal: keeping animals in safe, loving homes.

We also connect directly with the community through adoption events, educational programs, volunteer engagement, and public partnerships. By showing up where we're needed most, we make a lasting impact, supporting not just individual animals, but the people who care for them.

CCHS is more than an animal rescue and adoption agency. We're a lifeline, a support system, and a partner in creating a stronger, more compassionate Contra Costa County.



More Than a Meal

Keeping Families Together

AniMeals helps pets stay with the families who love them even during difficult times. Through monthly partnerships with local food pantries and community hubs, Contra Costa Humane Society distributes pet food and supplies throughout Contra Costa County to support those facing financial hardship.

Helping pets stay with the families who love them.



63,279

POUNDS OF FOOD DISTRIBUTED



95

DISTRIBUTION EVENTS

By working with community groups, local businesses, and generous donors, AniMeals ensures pets don't go hungry and families don't have to choose between feeding themselves and caring for their animals.



Supporting Healthier Communities



SNAP

Spay/Neuter Assistance Program

The SNAP program provides no-cost spay and neuter services to pet owners in Contra Costa County who might otherwise face barriers to veterinary care.

In partnership with International Veterinary Outreach (IVO) and Contra Costa Animal Services, CCHS hosted nine clinics in 2025 to support underserved communities and improve access to preventative care.

By reducing financial barriers to care, SNAP helps prevent unplanned litters, reduce shelter intake, and keep pets healthy, safe, and with the families who love them.



9

CLINICS HELD



126

SPAY/NEUTERS
COMPLETED



Compassionate Rehoming Support

REHOMING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Rehoming Assistance Program (RAP) helps families navigate difficult decisions by providing resources, guidance, and support designed to keep pets safe and out of the shelter system whenever possible.

In 2025, CCHS responded to more than 300 rehoming inquiries involving nearly 500 pets, helping families explore alternatives to surrender through counseling, courtesy postings, behavioral resources, and community referrals.

When rehoming becomes necessary, RAP helps connect pets with safe, loving homes through compassionate support and trusted community networks.

Support, resources, and second chances.



309

REHOMING
INQUIRIES



468

PETS INCLUDED
IN REQUESTS



175

FAMILIES SUPPORTED
THROUGH RAP RESPONSES



Made Possible By You

Every Gift Creates Impact

Our mission is made possible by generous supporters who believe in creating brighter futures for animals and the people who love them. Through donations, event participation, grants, and ongoing support, our community helps provide lifesaving medical care, keep pets with their families, and create second chances for animals in need.

Together, we are building a stronger, healthier, and more compassionate Contra Costa County for pets and people alike.

\$596,157



RAISED THROUGH COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Thank you for making second chances possible.



Walk for Paws

Our annual community walk brings people together to celebrate pets, build awareness, and support our lifesaving programs.



Individual Giving

Generous supporters provided gifts of all sizes to help animals receive the care they need.



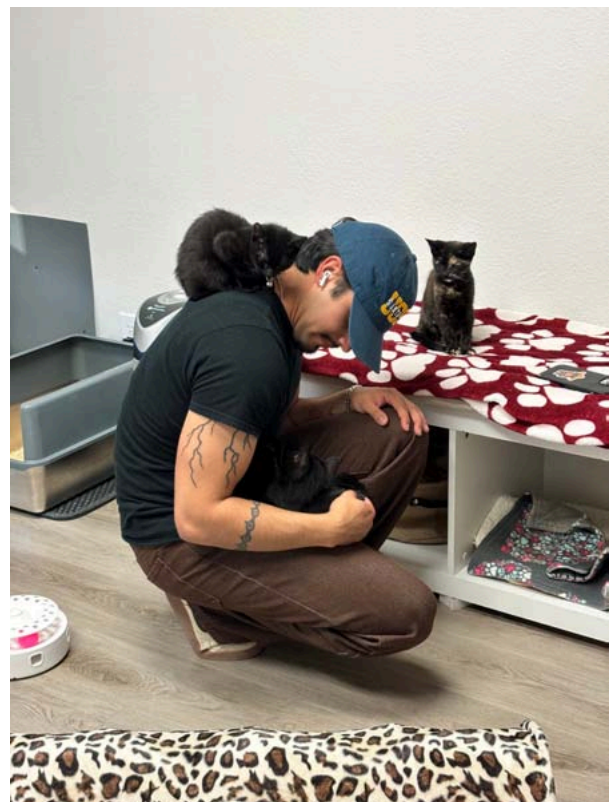
Grants, Bequests & Partnerships

Foundation grants, legacy gifts, corporate giving, and community partnerships help expand services and strengthen programs.



The Heart of Our Mission Powered by Volunteers

Every day, volunteers help animals feel safe, cared for, and loved. From fostering and socializing pets to supporting adoption events, AniMeals distributions, and enrichment programs, their dedication makes our work possible.



238

FOSTERS



10,377

VOLUNTEER HOURS



176

VOLUNTEERS



Responsible Stewardship

Financial Overview

January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025

\$596,157



TOTAL REVENUE

REVENUE SOURCE	AMOUNT
Donations	\$182,480
Bequests	\$147,294
Fundraising Events	\$135,941
Program Income	\$81,677
Grants	\$19,000
Other Income	\$29,765
TOTAL REVENUE	\$596,157



HOW SUPPORT WAS INVESTED

Programs



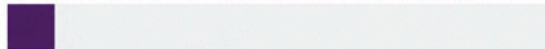
71.5%

Administration



20.1%

Fundraising



8.4%

PROGRAMS SUPPORTED



PAWS Fund

Critical medical care
for pets in need



AniMeals

Pet food assistance
for families



SNAP

Spay/neuter assistance
for community pets



Foster Care

Safe, loving homes
for pets in transition



Cat Program

Care, enrichment &
adoptions for cats



Dog Program

Enrichment, training &
adoptions for dogs

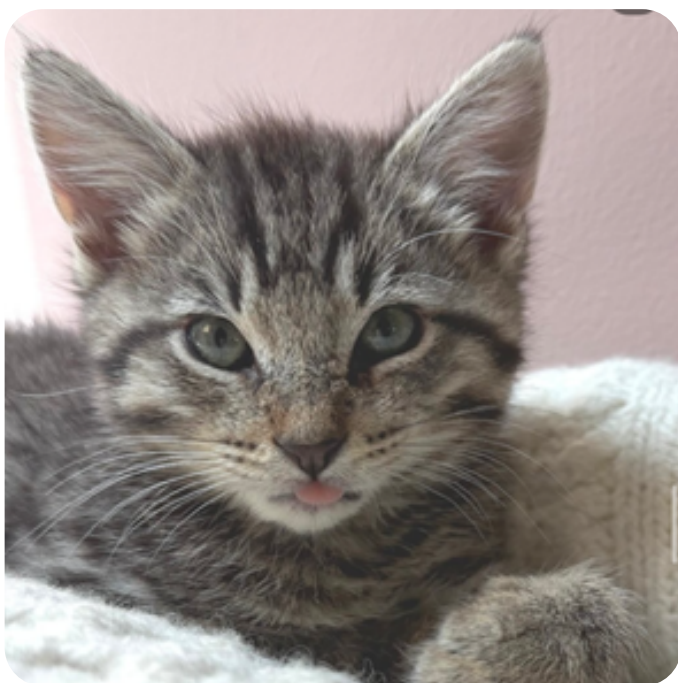


Lives Changed Forever Spotlight Stories

**Behind every adoption, recovery,
and second chance is a story worth telling.**

Through the dedication of fosters, volunteers, adopters, donors, and staff, animals who once faced uncertainty found healing, safety, and love.

The following stories highlight a few of the lives transformed in 2025 and the people who helped make those journeys possible.



“ *Every second chance
begins with someone willing to care.* ”



Spotlight Cedar



At the end of December, Cedar arrived at the shelter alongside his sister, Spruce. Both puppies were timid and uncertain, and volunteers worked patiently to help them feel safe.

When Spruce was adopted, Cedar struggled without his sister by his side. Volunteers found him curled up in the back of his kennel, overwhelmed by the shelter environment and unsure of the world around him.

Recognizing that Cedar needed a quieter setting to thrive, one of our volunteers reached out to an

experienced foster who immediately stepped in to help. Cedar left for foster care that same day and began a new chapter surrounded by patience, stability, and encouragement.

Today, Cedar is growing more confident every day. He enjoys long walks, play dates with other dogs, and learning that the world is not such a scary place after all. Cedar remains available for adoption, and we are hopeful that his forever family will find him soon.



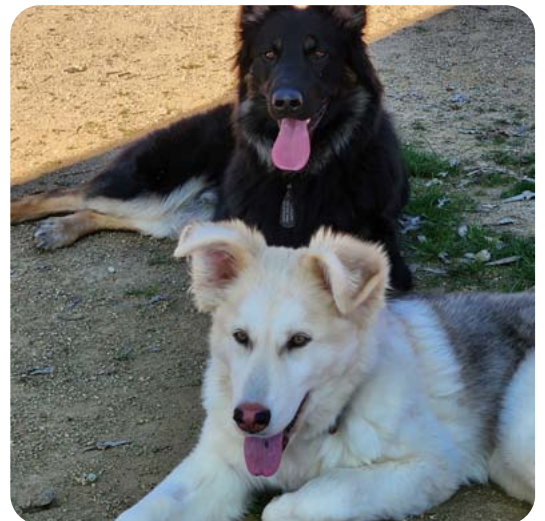
Finding Trust

Patience, treats, and a calm place helped him feel safe.



Growing Every Day

Confident, happy, and ready for his forever home.



Spotlight Pinnacle

When Pinnacle arrived in our care, he was suffering from severe traumatic injuries to his jaw. Although we may never know exactly what happened to him, it was immediately clear that he needed specialized veterinary care. Without surgery, Pinnacle would not have been able to eat on his own or enjoy the healthy future every kitten deserves.

Pinnacle was referred to UC Davis, where a team of specialists performed the complex surgery needed to repair his injuries. His care included advanced diagnostics, transportation, surgery, follow-up appointments, and ongoing recovery support. Throughout the process, staff, volunteers, and foster caregivers worked together to ensure he had every opportunity to heal.



The day Pinnacle took his first pain-free bite of food was a milestone our team will never forget. What once seemed uncertain quickly became a story of resilience and hope as Pinnacle grew stronger each day.

Today, Pinnacle is thriving. The once-fragile kitten who struggled to survive is now playful, curious, and full of kitten energy. Whether chasing toys, exploring new spaces, or curling up for a nap, Pinnacle is enjoying the simple joys every kitten deserves. His journey is a reminder of the lifesaving impact that compassionate care, specialized medical treatment, and community support can have on an animal in need.



Healing & Recovery

Thanks to surgery at UC Davis and compassionate care, he began his road to recovery.



Thriving Today

Playful, curious, and discovering the simple joys every kitten deserves.



Stronger Together Connected Through Community

Growing awareness, engagement, and support for animals in need.

Our mission extends beyond the walls of the shelter. Through social media, newsletters, events, and outreach programs, we connected thousands of people with opportunities to support animals in need throughout Contra Costa County.



11,223
SOCIAL MEDIA
FOLLOWERS



4,863
NEWSLETTER
SUBSCRIBERS



Looking Ahead

The Future Starts with You



In 2026, we will continue providing lifesaving medical care, supporting families through community programs, growing our foster and volunteer networks, and creating more opportunities for animals to find safety, healing, and loving homes. With your support, even more lives will be changed in the year ahead.



Every animal
deserves safety.



Every family
deserves support.



Every second chance
starts with someone
who cares.



Thank you for making this work possible.

