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Sincerely,

Joel McLellan
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A LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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The Animal Defense League got its start as part of the Child Protective & Humane Society which began operating in 1923. This was an initiative to help children, companion animals and beasts of burden. In 1934 the Animal Defense League was incorporated and became a new organization with a mission to prevent cruelty to animals.

The early kennels were makeshift, often using chicken wire and leftover scrap wood to shelter stray and injured dogs and cats. Over the years our mission has expanded from providing basic shelter and care to finding permanent homes for the thousands of dogs, cats, puppies and kittens annually.

In the early 1960s ADL moved to its present location in northeast San Antonio. Our campus encompasses more than 12 acres and includes an adoption center, kennel buildings, a cattery complex, an education center, a two-acre pet park, a separate clinic for on-site ADL animal surgeries and medical care. In 2004, a new kennel was built to house dogs and in 2007, two additional kennels that were built in 1963 were raised to open space for more play areas.

In 2016 ADL expanded its services and became the operating tenant of the Paul Jolly Center for Pet Adoptions.
INTAKE

6,633 TOTAL INTAKES

2,076 DOGS
1,882 PUPPIES
700 CATS
1,975 KITTENS

1,306 PUBLIC INTAKE

3,520 LMS
811 STRAY
786 O/S
103 ABAN
1,127 SAS

LENDING A HELPING HAND

In addition to helping our local community, ADL’s programs delivered vital services during the hurricane season to proactively evacuate 105 pets from the pending disaster area. 2020 also saw ADL form life-saving partnerships with a total of 36 shelters/rescues from municipalities within the surrounding areas.

KEY

LMS local municipal shelter
O/S owner surrender
SAS surrounding area shelters
ABAN abandoned at ADL
PUBLIC SERVICE

6,277
TOTAL LIVE RELEASES

6,190
ADOPTIONS

2,044
DOGS

1,745
PUPPIES

753
CATS

1,735
KITTENS

79
RTO

SURGERIES

6,202
TOTAL SURGERIES

5,035
TOTAL S/N

28
PUBLIC S/N

343
CC

4,597
ADL S/N

67
GRANT S/N

1,167
NON ROUTINE

KEY

RTO return to owner

CC community cats
Volunteers On & Off Campus

BETTER IMPACT

330 New Volunteers
1,010 Total Volunteers

THE BREAKDOWN

7,404 Volunteer Hours
85,125 Foster Hours
92,529 Total Volunteer Hours

Fosters Medical + Neonatal + Embark

1,562 Pets Fostered

THE THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT

Medical Foster Program Launched

Join the Animal Defense League of Texas and become a foster volunteer. Applications are being accepted online at adltexas.org/foster

60 Embark Pets

Email foster@adltexas.org or call us at (210) 655-1481 Ext. 123 for more info.
FINANCIALS

BREAKDOWN

5% FUNDRAISING

11% ADMINISTRATIVE

2020 EXPENSES

84% PROGRAM

$5,091,873 TOTAL REVENUE

$4,646,238 TOTAL EXPENSES

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

$1,211,054 CASH ASSETS

$1,091,605 INVESTMENTS

$5,136,776 FIXED & OTHER ASSETS

$7,439,435 TOTAL ASSETS

$788,948 LIABILITIES

$6,650,487 NET ASSETS

$7,439,435 TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

2021 BUDGET $4,618,900

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING AND GENEROUS SUPPORT
**FLOWER**  Adopted 4/15/19

Flower was surrendered to ADL mid-October in dire need of medical care and attention. This sweet, 10-year old Shih-Tzu had severe infections in both ears as well as a severe skin infection that caused hair loss and irritation of her skin and eyes. After given weekly bathes, antibiotics, and injectable allergy medication, she finally started to recover. Flower began to truly bloom into her personality after receiving the care she desperately needed and soon after she was deemed healthy enough for adoption, she found her forever family.

**KITTEN TRIO**  Adopted 6/11/19

Chico, Canary, and Cello were brought to ADL at just a few weeks old and immediately caught the attention of our on-site veterinarian. These three kittens were all suffering from Eyelid Agenesis, a rare condition in which part of the eyelid fails to develop from birth. This causes painful, chronic irritation of the eyes and can result in possible ulceration to the corneal surface. To help give these 3 the best life we could, our medical team performed a unique surgery that would extend their eyelids to allow them to blink and protect their eyes from possible damage. The surgery was a success! Chico, Canary and Cello healed beautifully after their procedures and were all adopted shortly after being released from our hospital.
In 2020, the Animal Defense League hosted our 9th annual Fur Ball Gala in a much different capacity than ever before. This annual fundraiser, typically held in March, serves as a celebration of our volunteers, donors, and dedicated staff’s efforts to serve the people and stray pets in our community. In March, we made the decision to reschedule this annual event to ensure the safety of our guests and supporters amongst the uncertainty of the COVID-19 Pandemic. As COVID-19 continued to impact our city, we went hard to work to transform Fur Ball into something completely new, bringing our first ever Virtual Fur Ball Gala to life.

This year’s theme looked back to an iconic period of American history, the Roaring 20’s. All at home were encouraged to get in the Roaring 20’s spirit, complete with a Great Gatsby’s costume contest! We offered an exclusive look inside our newly expanded hospital, hosted an online silent auction and wine pull, and celebrated all of what ADL and our community has been able to achieve in 2019. Thanks to our amazing supporters, we were able to raise over $140,000 in donations which directly benefitted our ability to provide for the abused, abandoned, and neglected pets in our community and beyond. Thank you to all who made our first ever Virtual Fur Ball Gala a success!

Betsy Damon was a life-long lover of animals and steadfast supporter of the Animal Defense League of Texas. Before Betsy passed away in 1998, she established the ADL foundation to which her vision was to create an entity that would not only last forever, but be a vehicle for others like her. Each year we recognize a corporation and a volunteer for their selfless giving and support of our mission in honor of Betsy.

Karen Stokes is the honored recipient of the 2020 volunteer of the year award! Karen is immensely dedicated to serving in the cattery at our Paul Jolly Center and is an invaluable member of the team. With her additional service as a foster, she volunteered for a total of 895 hours in 2020. Karen contributes profoundly to the care, wellbeing, and adoption of cats at ADL. She is a champion of working with shy cats to bring out their personalities, and she becomes an advocate for them in their search for furever homes. She is reliable and willing to help with any need. Karen’s compassion and generosity extend beyond her care for the animals and are felt by the ADL staff and community.

The 2020 Betsy Damon Donor of the Year was H-E-B. In 2020, H-E-B donated over $95,705 to help fund and support our mission with continued efforts already seen in 2021.

We are pleased to share that in addition to the annual monetary contributions, the team at H-E-B also provides our shelters with 100% of our dry format food. All our fostered and adopted animals leave our facility with a supply of Heritage Ranch food to get them started in their new forever home.

The Animal Defense League of Texas could not have saved the lives of so many deserving pets in our community without the generous and ongoing support of H-E-B. We look forward to continuing to serve our community together!
$10,000+ Level Donors

Individuals:
- John Drought
- Linda McCloskey

Corporations/Foundations:
- Animal Defense League Foundation
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- Universal Toyota
TOGETHER, WE ARE WORKING HARD TO INCREASE ACCESS TO RESOURCES FOR OUR PETS AND MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

“There are no problems, only solutions.” - John Lennon

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3 WAYS TO GIVE

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