To our valued supporters,

As with most within our community, Covid-19 presented our organization with an ever-changing and challenging landscape throughout 2021. During the past year, our team continued to refine our internal processes while expanding partnerships with key community stakeholders to ensure our organization could develop its programs and services responsibly.

I am pleased to report that despite the ongoing impact of the pandemic, last year ADL increased its rescue volume by 7%, which resulted in our team setting a second consecutive record year with 7,072 lives saved! Additionally, the placement of animals via the ADL adoption program kept pace with the increased intake, resulting in 6,555 animals finding their forever homes, setting yet another record. The cumulative results of these efforts increased the internal live release rate to 97%.

I’m also pleased to share that ADL’s medical program continued to gain momentum by expanding the types of services offered to our community. In 2021, our medical team performed 6,799 total surgeries, an astounding increase of 267% for routine spay/neuter surgeries, along with a 126% increase for non-routine surgeries. In addition, the number of community cat sterilizations performed at ADL increased from 88 in 2020 to 989 in 2021. The net impact was a 248% increase in surgical volume for 2021.

With the support and participation of our fantastic community, ADL’s foster program grew an astounding 54% in 2021, resulting in the care and placement of 2,407 animals, proving that by working together, we as a community can be the lifesaving answer to those without options.

As we look forward, our team will continue to build on existing successes. We have identified and begun work to launch numerous initiatives to support the underserved in our community. For example, our team has partnered with the City of San Antonio Animal Care Services to launch ADL’s Free Community Vaccination Clinic program. This effort will expand aid and provide education within the community.

As we wrap up another record-breaking year of saving lives and growing programs across the organization, I thank our community for its ongoing support and participation. We cannot deliver services to those who need them without your participation.

Regards,

Joel McLellan
Executive Director
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 thousands of dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens annually.

In the early 1960s, ADL moved to its present location in northeast San Antonio. Our 12-acre campus includes an adoption center, kennel buildings, a cattery complex, education center, a two-acre pet park, and a veterinary hospital housing a comprehensive medical program serving thousands of pets each year. In 2004, a new kennel was built to accommodate dogs, and in 2007, two kennels built in 1963 were razed to open space for additional play areas.

In 2016, ADL became the operating tenant of the Paul Jolly Center for Pet Adoptions which dramatically increased the number of community pets rescued annually.
LIVES SAVED
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2021

The Animal Defense League of Texas and San Antonio Animal Care Services continued collaborative efforts to provide community resources such as medical treatment, shelter, and education, which encourages responsible pet ownership and protects the welfare of families and pets in San Antonio. In 2021, ADL furthered its mission by accepting thousands of pets from ACS which significantly contributed to the 6,555 pets that found forever homes from the ADL facilities. We are grateful for this partnership which allows us to save the lives of pets in crisis together.

INTAKE
7,072
TOTAL INTAKES
6%

1,940
DOGS
1,988
PUPPIES

748
CATS
2,396
KITTENS

2,441
PUBLIC INTAKE

4,106
LMS
794
STRAY

1,229
O/S
170
ABAN

525
SAS

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

6,654
TOTAL LIVE RELEASE
↑ 6%

6,555
ADOPTIONS

1,811
DOGS

1,865
PUPPIES

742
CATS

2,137
KITTENS

98
RTO

SURGERIES

6,799
TOTAL SURGERIES
↑ 10%

5,484
TOTAL S/N

0
PUBLIC S/N

989
FERAL/CC

5,484
ADL S/N

0
GRANT S/N

313
NON ROUTINE
VOLUNTEERS
ON & OFF CAMPUS

BETTER IMPACT

400 NEW VOLUNTEERS
1,036 TOTAL VOLUNTEERS

8,416 VOLUNTEER HOURS
162,719 FOSTER HOURS
171,135 TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS

THE BREAKDOWN

FOSTERS
MEDICAL+ NEONATAL + EMBARK

2,485 PETS FOSTERED
MEDICAL FOSTER PROGRAM 2,197
EMBARK FOSTER PROGRAM 288

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FINANCIALS

BREAKDOWN

4% FUNDRAISING

9% ADMINISTRATIVE

2021 EXPENSES

87% PROGRAM

$5,972,482
TOTAL REVENUE

$4,338,580
TOTAL EXPENSES

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

$2,057,747
CASH ASSETS

$1,432,307
INVESTMENTS

$4,994,610
FIXED & OTHER ASSETS

$198,604
LIABILITIES

$8,286,060
NET ASSETS

$8,484,664
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

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TOTAL ASSETS

WE COULD NOT CONTINUE TO SAVE LIVES WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT

OREO

2022 BUDGET

$5,416,050
GWEN

Gwen arrived at the Animal Defense League with a grade 6/6 heart murmur. Upon her echocardiogram exam with Sonovet, she was diagnosed with Patent Ductus Arteriosus also known as PDA. If not corrected, Gwen was at risk of developing progressive heart enlargement and heart failure. Without our supporters, we would not have been able to provide her this needed procedure so she could live the happy, healthy life she deserves. Shortly after her procedure and post-op care, Gwen found her forever family and was adopted!

HENRY

Henry is a 4-year-old Domestic Shorthair mix who quickly stole the hearts of those at ADL with his sweet demeanor. So much so, our team decided to promote him on a local news feature! He has a great personality, and our team knew that he would make a wonderful companion for his future family.

Little did we know that Henry (previously “Popo”) was going to be recognized by one of the viewers who made a few quick calls to reach Popo’s original owner, Omar, a USAF Veteran. Omar had been looking for Popo for the past two years and was thrilled to finally reunite with his furry best friend! Omar and Popo are now enjoying life together again and taking selfies at home in Corpus Christi!
Betsy Damon was a life-long lover of animals and steadfast supporter of the Animal Defense League of Texas. Before Betsy passed away in 1999, she established the ADL Foundation where her vision would last in perpetuity and be a vehicle for positive change for future generations like her. Each year we recognize a stakeholder and volunteer for their selfless giving and support of our mission in honor of Betsy.

In 2021, the Nancy Smith Hurd Foundation funded the salaries of two in-house veterinarians. This support allows ADL to establish a firm foundation within the hospital to increase lifesaving capacity for pets and provide direct services to communities in need. This capacity building opportunity not only resulted in over 7,000 lives saved in 2021 but also facilitated the launch of No-Cost Mobile Wellness Clinics in January 2022. Through these clinics, ADL will provide free vaccination and microchipping services to historically underserved areas in our community.

Dr. Michael Bunning has graciously assisted ADL since September 9, 2014. In 2021, he performed over 128 surgeries ranging from amputations, mass removals, FHOs, patella fixations, spay/neuters, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine training, and more.

His commitment to the medical program is instrumental to ADL’s lifesaving efforts. Dr. Michael Bunning supports pets in crisis after hours, during early morning shifts, and even on his vacation time. He is an inspiring presence and mentor who is well-loved by the ADL medical team.

His constant support has provided ADL with services valued at $192,000-$448,000. We are truly grateful for his selfless contribution of time and talent.

It goes without saying, 2021 was a year of reinvention as organizations and families tried new approaches to safely connect. One of ADL’s primary funding sources is the annual gala, and we were determined to bring supporters and friends together to celebrate. ADL hosted a three-part “Mini Gala Series” to further impact our lifesaving efforts with key stakeholders. Attendees remained safe, and ADL achieved the financial goal required to provide a better life for thousands of vulnerable pets. Through your generosity, $155,000 was raised that will contribute toward the delivery of resources to underserved areas! We are truly grateful for this support that allows us save lives and improve communities. It could not be done without you!
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