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Liz Begovich
Douglas County Animal Services Supervisor
Douglas County Animal Care and Services
921 Dump Road
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Dear Liz,

I am pleased to provide a summary of Douglas Animal Welfare Group's (DAWG's) activities for 2021. Even during this difficult year the commitment and passion of DAWG volunteers, we were able to help hundreds of local animals through our various programs and services, in accordance with our Mission Statement, to better the lives of Douglas County animals.

DAWG spent a total of \$145,446 in 2021. The following is information for some of the year's activities:

- DAWG members spent 5104 hours for care for the animals at DCACS, community outreach programs, and DAWG operations.
- DAWG members spent 1309.5 on the care and assistance to all 119 dogs and 186 cats that were adopted from DCACS. This includes activities such as dog walking/care twice daily, cat care/socializing – 365 days a year.
- Co-hosted the 5th Annual Carson Valley Turkey Trot with the Cason Valley Food Closet. We raised \$9,170.07 of much needed funds for Douglas County's animals.
- \$15,821 in medical care for the animals that were at DCACS - this includes wellness exams, dental work, senior exams, x-rays, surgeries, some spay/neuter assistance upon adoption.
- \$18,419.00 of community assistance to lower income Douglas County residents needing help paying for veterinary care.
- \$15,285.00 for a low cost spay/neuter program, "Fix a Family Pet" for lower income Douglas County residents.
- \$6,275.00 for a low cost spay/neuter program for Douglas County Pit bull dogs, titled "Fix-a-Bull."

- **\$20,708.00** for a spay/neuter program (Trap & Return) (including vaccinations and minor medical) for feral/community cats in Douglas County.
- **\$11,329.00** for temporary care of found stray domestic cats/kittens through a program called the “Found Cat Program”, pending admission to DCACS.
- **\$2,409.00** for a foster program which provided both short and long term foster homes for animals recovering from surgery, illness, hospice care and other situations.
- **\$75.00** for training of DCACS dogs, including recently adopted dogs.
- **\$2,448.00** for the purchase of microchips for the dogs and cats residing at DCACS.
- **\$85.00** for the purchase of vaccines for the dogs and cats residing at DCACS.
- **\$401.00** for other assistance to DCACS, including washer/dryer, maintenance, repairs, food, supplies, etc.
- **\$3,520.00** for cat adoption assistance – adoption fees and rabies vaccinations.
- **\$55.00** toward reducing the adoption cost for Veterans when adopting animals from DCACS.
- An additional **\$150 .00** adoption assistance for hard to adopt animals.
- **\$2,810 .00** for the purchase of cat and dog food for Douglas Counties families in need (distributed by F.I.S.H. in the Ranchos).

On behalf of DAWG’s volunteers and officers, I would like to thank you and your staff for your continued support of our organization’s mission to care for the animals in Douglas County.

Sincerely,

**Lori Paxson, President
Douglas Animal Welfare Group (DAWG)**

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