



Only if we understand can we care. Only if we care will we help. Only if we help shall they be saved.

~Jane Goodall

2016 Annual Impact Report

Homeward Bound
Addison County's Humane Society



From the Executive Director...

Dear Friends,

2016 was a groundbreaking year for Homeward Bound and we are so proud to be able to share with you the stories of success that you made possible.

We served 934 animals through sheltering and re-homing—a figure that represents a 37% increase over the year before. 221 of those animals were facing grim chances in overcrowded shelters in other parts of the country and truly received a second chance coming to Addison County and finding homes in the Green Mountains!

In addition to saving lives, we impacted the future through our inaugural humane education camp. Camp Whiskers & Wags was a community success; look for expanded offerings this summer.

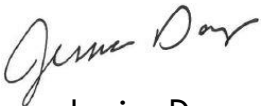
We are honored that our efforts were recognized in the community and we proudly display a banner and plaque in the shelter that declare our having received the Addison County Chamber of Commerce's 2016 Community Achievement Award.

Moving forward, we plan to maintain our expanded levels of sheltering service and also focus even more on community outreach addressing the problems that lead to animal homelessness. Look for our Pet CORE (Community Outreach Resources Education) program out and about in underserved neighborhoods in the coming year.

I was personally touched by our work this year when my family opened our home and hearts to a 10-year-old Chihuahua mix who came into the shelter just before Thanksgiving. He was stray, thin, dirty and exhausted but his spirit shone through; now, Skippy Jon Jones brings joy to every day and inspires me to continue this work.

Thank you for making 2016 such a meaningful year.

Warmly,



Jessica Danyow



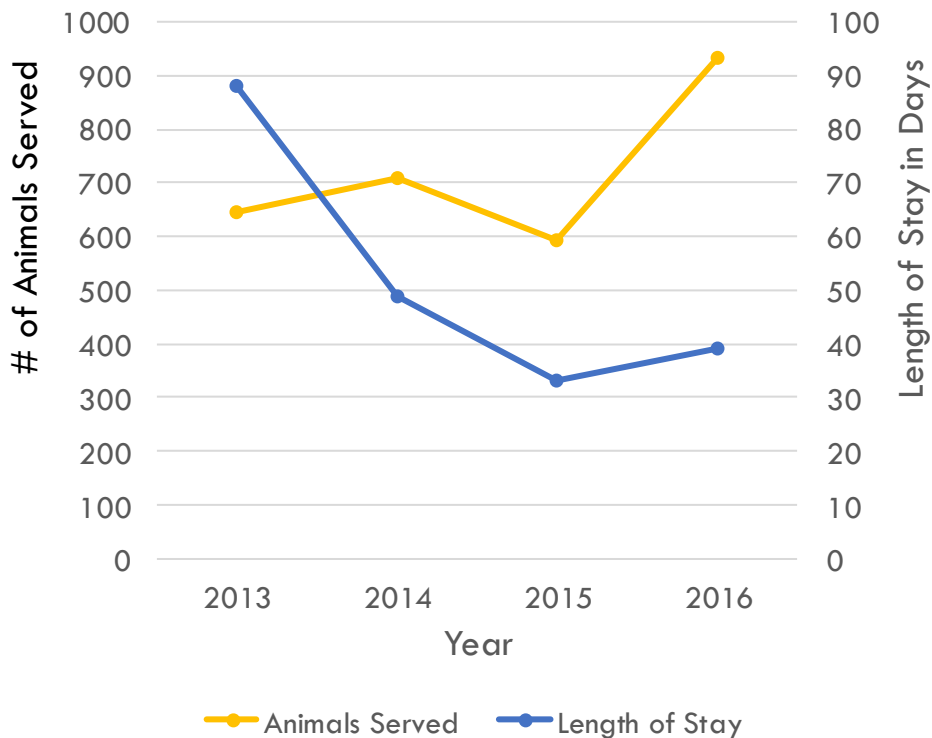
Jessica & Skippy Jon Jones

On the cover (clockwise from top): Toby, Dyson, Shadow, & Ceasar.

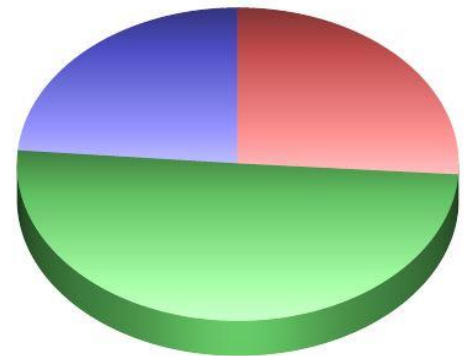
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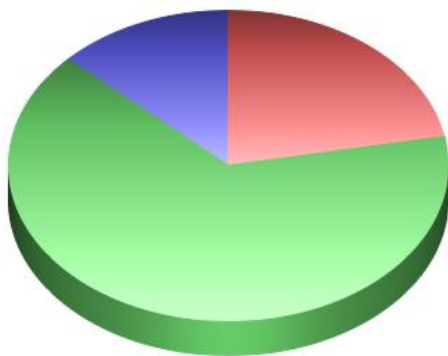
Animals Served vs Length of Stay



Total Intakes by Source



- Stray 244
- Owner Surrender 469
- Transfer 221



Total Adoptions

- Dogs & Puppies 171
- Cats & Kittens 505
- Birds & Small Animals 101
- Transfer 221

Home for the Holidays!

Saber and Sage, ages 10 and 13, came to Homeward Bound in August when their family moved and chose to leave them here. They had been at each other's side for more than 10 years. Knowing that quality of life is as important as quantity, Homeward Bound staff committed to adopting them out together, which we did in December just in time for the holidays!





Giving

*We make a living by what we get, but
we make a life by what we give.*

~ Winston Churchill



"My parents introduced this quote to me and instilled the importance of giving at a very young age. The biggest pleasure I have is giving to a place like Homeward Bound. They are doing such good work. I am especially passionate about Camp Whiskers & Wags because I believe that it is getting Homeward Bound's mission out to our youngest generation. If they learn to take care of an animal, maybe they'll take better care of each other." ~ Gina Berk

As an organization that receives no state or federal funding, nor any contributions from national humane organizations, Homeward Bound relies solely on the generosity and collective support of those who share our concern and compassion for animals. Annual gifts from our donors are hugely important to the operation of Homeward Bound.

Legacy Giving



"Ralph Waldo Emerson once wrote 'to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived, this is to have succeeded.' His words strike a chord with me, and they serve as inspiration to carry forward my love and compassion for animals, as well as my wish to serve them, by making a planned gift to Homeward Bound. My hope is to do whatever I possibly can to provide our shelter animals with wholeness and good health as they await their forever homes, and to that end, my gift will be designated for shelter medical expenses."

~ Susan Burns

Legacy gifts like Susan's ensure that Homeward Bound can say "yes" when the animals with the greatest of need arrive at our shelter for many, many years to come. It is also a meaningful way to say "thank you" to every animal that has touched your life.

Those who include Homeward Bound in their long-term charitable planning are recognized as members of the Homeward Bound Legacy Society. If you have, or would like to include Homeward Bound in your estate plans, please contact us with information about your planned gift so that we can recognize your generosity and talk with you about how you would like us to carry out your legacy.



Friends of the Animals: Sustaining the work of Homeward Bound

"Nothing makes me happier than to support, in any way that I can, the Friends of the Animals program at Homeward Bound. I know that my monthly contribution helps animals that are not as fortunate, but certainly just as deserving, as my beloved Hooligan and Lellobear pictured here. Although my heart breaks for all of the homeless puppies and kitties at Homeward Bound waiting for their forever families, I know that they are getting the very best food, love, and attention that they can until they find their new home. I am proud to be a long-time supporter of this wonderful program!" ~ Judi Fisher

Our Friends of the Animals have a tremendous impact on the welfare of animals in Addison County. They are a core group of supporters that contribute *monthly, quarterly, or biannually* to sustain the work of the shelter. Their gifts are put to immediate use each month to feed, vaccinate, microchip, spay/neuter, address the medical needs of the animals in our care, and keep the doors of our state-of-the-art facility open to all who need us! Our Friends program has grown from 18 members in 2014 to 42 in 2016.

Our Friends of the Animals include:

Linda Bedell	Todd & Luana Findley	Victoria Rinehart
Anna Rose Benson	Judi Fisher	Patrick Rooney
Lisa Boyle	Pamela Fogg	Michelle Shubert
Joni Burkett	Karen & Jim Gallott	Caitlin Steele
Bruce & Suzanne Byers	Dr. Gary & Cindi Gillen	Allen Stillman
Amy Carter	Suzanne Harding	Heidi & Sydney Stokes
Susan & Sarah Carter	Hilary Hatch	Jim Stuart
Hal & Linda Cohen	Debbie & Tim Holmes	Charlotte Tate & Chris Zeoli
Maureen Conrad	Sue Hoxie	Barbara Tennien
Jessica Danyow	Lois Lackey	Katrina Van Dine
Pat Davies	Gayle & Jay Malinowski	Ginny Vautier
Martha Dier	Hannah Manley	Nancy Ward
Katherine Dodds	Valerie Marshall	Michael Warner & Joseph Watson
Linda Dreaney	Jeanne Posner	Dana Weaver
Anne Eberle	Diane & Kevin Quiet	Nancy & James West
		Mark & Barbara Wilch



Volunteers & Summer Camp

"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless." ~Sherry Anderson



"We have been volunteering for Homeward Bound, Addison County's Humane Society, for over 10 years! During that time we have seen many changes. Building improvements, staff changes, expansion of services. No matter what we are always impressed with the love and care the staff and volunteers show for the animals. In the summer we love that we get to work with the staff a few mornings a week taking care of the animals. They are so friendly and you can really see the passion they have for the animals. Every year we enjoy it more!"

~Jim and Margaret Eagan

In their decade of involvement, Jim and Margaret have done everything from capital campaign fundraising and special events planning to fostering animals, walking dogs and cleaning cages and any odd jobs in between.

Homeward Bound engages volunteers at every level of our organization and getting involved is as easy as visiting our website or stopping into the shelter to pick up a volunteer application. We depend on our volunteers to help provide the programs and services that the people and animals of Addison County depend on!

CAMP whiskers AND Wags



"Camp was great. You should do it for many years to come. I want to come again!" ~ Camper

"My daughter's favorite part of camp was connecting with and adopting a kitten!" ~ Parent

The inaugural year of our humane education camp was a howlin' success! We hosted 32 children aged 8-11 for two weeks of full day camp. Campers enjoyed hands-on activities with animals, presentations from animal professionals, surprise visits from wildlife and more! Camp Whiskers and Wags was made possible by the generous support of the Middlebury Rotary, the Vermont Community Foundation, the National Bank of Middlebury and WowToyz.

We do not receive any county, state or federal funding or contributions from any national organizations.



2016 Summary Budget: Income & Expenses

Income:

Earned Income: \$189,079
(Income earned from shelter fees & services)

Restricted Income: \$64,806
(Grant funding)

Unrestricted Income: \$280,670
(Donations, fundraising, direct mail, membership dues, etc.)

Total Income: \$534,555

Expense:

Program & Services Expense: \$366,579
(Includes preparing animals for adoption, public cremation service expense, etc.)

Restricted Program Expense: \$34,782

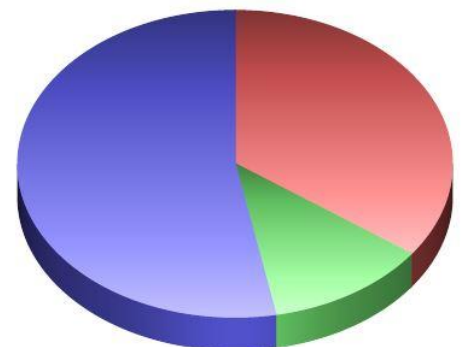
Fundraising Expense: \$88,103

Building Expense: \$24,520

General & Administrative Expense: \$101,554

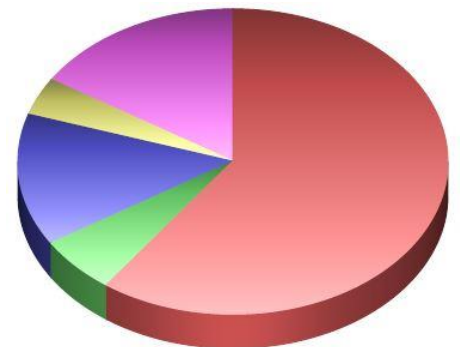
Total Expense: \$593,470

Income



■ Earned Income 35%
■ Restricted Income 12%
■ Unrestricted Income 53%

Expenses



■ Programs & Services 60%
■ Restricted Program 6%
■ Fundraising 14%
■ Building 4%
■ General & Administrative 16%



Administrative Staff

Jessica Danyow
Executive Director

Hannah Manley
Development Director

Michelle Shubert
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