



Upcoming Events

November 30th

Giving Tuesday—Online Event

Sponsored by: Sutterfield Financial Group

Check out our Facebook page for details

December 4th

Open House

11:00 am to 4:00 pm
16620 State Hwy 123,
Bartlesville, OK

**December 6th to 11th
Empty the Shelters**

Reduced fee adoption event sponsored by the Bissell Pet Foundation

A TALE OF TWO KITTIES

WCSPCA recently had two cat hoarding cases in Washington County. We took in over 70 cats from just two properties, many of which were already pregnant. One property was located in Vera, OK where the human population is 167. Within a year, the cat population in Vera could have easily outnumbered the humans. In both cases, the cats were discovered by a landlord while cleaning out a vacated rental. Most of the time, these situations happen with good intentions to take care of one stray cat, but those intentions can quickly get out of hand when a cat is not spayed.

According to the Animal Rescue Professionals Association, cats can have at least 3 litters with a total of 12 kittens per year. Out of those kittens, about 4.7 of them are females, which means they will most likely have litters of their own.

The average cost to feed, shelter, vaccinate, spay/neuter, microchip, and test for FIV/FELV

to prep each cat for adoption is \$125.

WCSPCA spent over \$8,000 on just these two cases alone. So far in 2021, the shelter has had a 13% increase of intakes compared to 2020. We need the public's help to combat this issue by spaying/neutering their pets.

There are many low-cost spay/neuter programs available in our area. If you or someone you know needs assistance getting a pet spayed or neutered, please contact us at 918-336-1577 and we will do our best to connect you with the appropriate program.

In just 7 years, a single pair of cats and their offspring could produce a staggering total of 420,000 kittens.



*Animal Facts. Animal Rescue Professionals Association, Cats. May, 10, 2019



Washington County
SPCA

2021

Program Impacts

As of 11/9/2021



1,021

Pets Adopted by
Loving Families



231

Transported to
Partner Shelters



7,611

Hours of
Volunteer
Service



951

Spay/Neuter
Surgeries Performed



389

Low Income
Spay/Neuter
Vouchers Issued

THE POWER OF A MATCHING GIFT

If this year's phenomenal success with our annual campaign wasn't enough to prove the power of a matching gift, Sutterfield Financial Group's ongoing support for the shelter's Giving Tuesday social media campaign is another excellent example. Since 2019, Sutterfield Financial Group has made a challenge grant for Giving Tuesday, an international day of giving taking place annually on the Tuesday after the consumption-focused days of Black Friday and Cyber Monday. In 2019, Sutterfield's \$1000 challenge grant helped us raise over \$2,000 additional dollars. In 2020, they doubled their match to \$2000 and



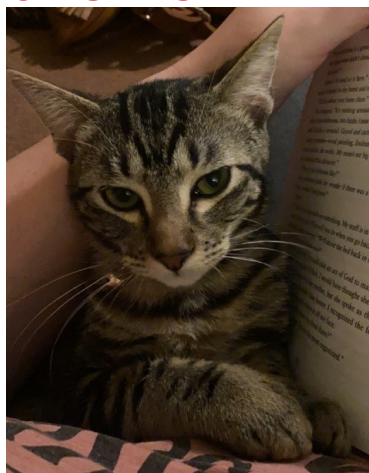
our community rose to the occasion raising over \$6000 additional dollars! This year, **Sutterfield Financial Group will again be matching up to \$2000 in donations made to the Washington County SPCA on Giving Tuesday, November 30.** Stay tuned to our social media accounts for ways to have your gift matched. Thank you, Sutterfield Financial Group for your continued support!

ADOPTION UPDATE: BELLA

Ms. Bella Donna is doing well with her new kiddos, Roger and Sofia. She adapted to her new home better than we could have hoped. Roger, our other pitbull, was not too happy at first, but as soon as we went for a walk, Roger knew Bella was part of our family. Bella loves her scarf and to ride shotgun in the car (because she is the oldest), but naps on the couch are her favorite. She snores like a human, but it's peaceful in a way. When the two other dogs start play fighting too rough, she steps in and tells them to settle down. Our girl just needed a place to land and we are glad to have her as part of the family. - Raul and Neely Lazcano



STROMBOLI



Stromboli is so happy in his new home! He loves to read and do homework with us. He is always cuddling with his new brother and sister. He is a wonderful addition to our little family. - The Cowart Family

Together
we give.

Nov 30, 2021

GIVING
TUESDAY

LOVE CONQUERS ALL

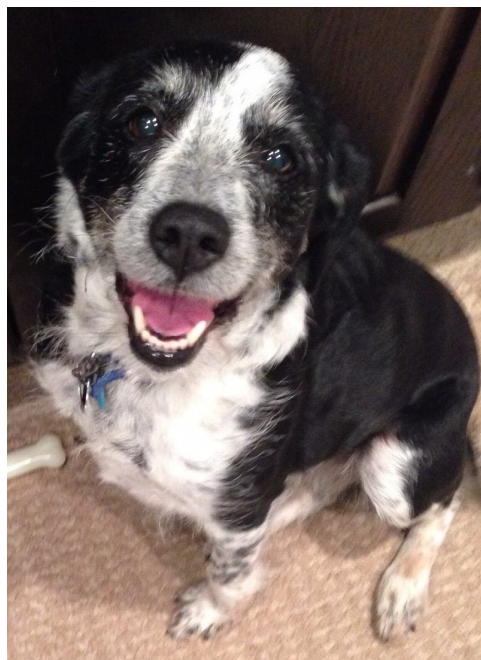
The handsome cat pictured is named Prince. He is a cat that was on the local news because he was a victim of animal abuse. It has been several weeks since his arrival at the shelter and we are happy to report that his skin and eyes are healing well. His resiliency is inspiring. He purrs and is affectionate and trusting despite the abuse he endured at the hands of a human. Thanks to the excellent care he is receiving from his foster family, he is thriving once again. Thank you to everyone who sent in donations to cover his medical expenses.



ADOPTEE PROVIDES YEARS OF COMPANIONSHIP: CHLOE

The story begins with an off-site adoption event at the Farmers Market more than 17 years ago. A scruffy-faced little pup named DeeDee was standing on her hind legs and giving me the eye. My friend insisted that I pick her up and make friends. The wiggly little mutt put her head on my shoulder and we all knew... But would this little firecracker do well with my other WCSPCA border collie adoptee? The shelter rep cleverly suggested a "foster." A couple weeks into the experiment the shelter called with a "put up or shut up" ultimatum. Someone in Colorado wanted MY pup. I officially adopted her that day and renamed her Chloe. What followed were years and years of love and laughter, funny tricks and mandatory games of fetch. She helped me weather the heartbreak of losing my border collie through her constant companionship. Because of my gratitude to the WCSPCA for Chloe, I began many rewarding years of volunteering to help the shelter any way I could. Two years ago, Chloe gamely moved to Arizona with

us, learning to bark at desert creatures instead of squirrels. As time progressed, her little body began to betray her, but during those days she taught me all about tenacity and lust for life. As she turned 17 earlier this year it became clear she could go on no longer. As anyone who has loved a pet knows, it was a painful decision we all must make when the time comes. I miss her every single day but I will always be grateful for the way she enriched my life. - Linda Maholland



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THE IMPACT YOUR DONATION CAN MAKE

\$10



Provides Food for One
Pet for a Week

\$25



Provides Vaccines and
Heartworm Testing

\$75



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Spay or Neuter

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