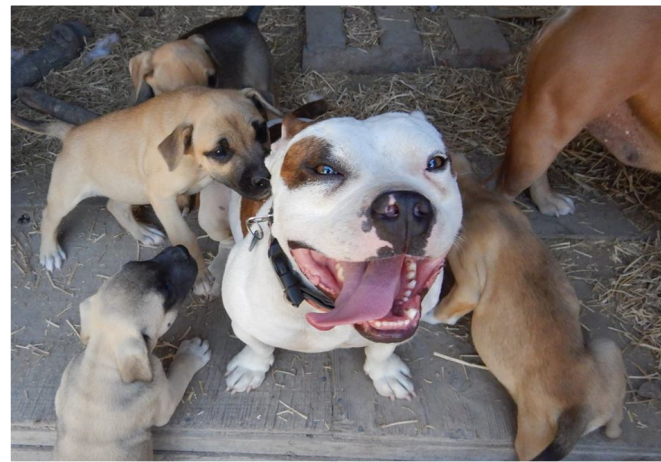


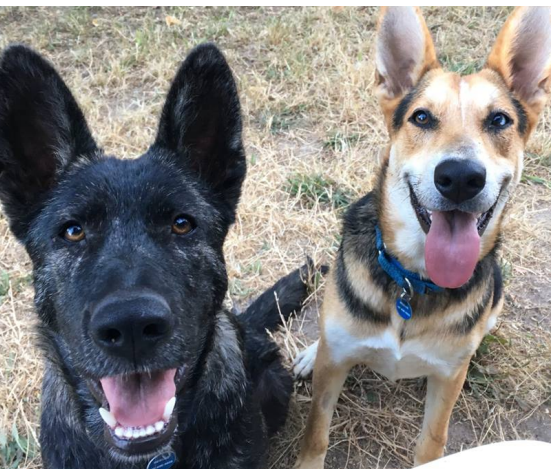
2018 Annual Report



Making a difference, one animal at a time.

Dogwood Animal Rescue Project, a not-for-profit 501c3 organization, was founded in 2015 by a small group of women in Sonoma County who realized they could make a difference in the lives of animals by combining their efforts and working together. Thanks to generous supporters such as you, Dogwood Animal Rescue Project has been able to provide compassionate care to hundreds of animals.

Dogwood's Mission: To support animals and the people who love them through rescue, rehoming, spay/neuter and education.



Dogwood Animal Rescue Project rescued 420 animals in 2018 resulting in 297 dogs and 109 cats placed in loving homes. We were able to rescue and care for several high risk animals. Some of these special animals included Gunther and Ellen; two dogs with severe mange and associated swelling, abscesses and infections. We soon realized that since they were so very ill they would be well served by Gus's Legacy of Love Program--our special care program that is dedicated to Gus, a very ill dog who suffered from mange, infections and a serious neurological condition that ultimately was incompatible with a quality life. Because of the support of our generous supporters, Gunther and Ellen were provided the very best of care, recovered and were ultimately adopted into loving homes.

Financial Highlights

Animal Care*	\$265,175.83
Fundraising & Marketing	\$28,971.33
Operating/ Admin	\$15,745.09
Total Expenses	\$309,892.25

Adoption Fees	\$83,265.00
Donations, Grants & Events	\$433,905.01
Total Income	\$517,170.01
Net Revenue	\$207,277.76

In 2018, Dogwood rescued animals who would otherwise be out of options. **420**

Rocky was a sweet, fragile, premature tiny black kitten who captured the hearts of many social media Dogwood followers and volunteers. He required frequent bottle feedings and temperature regulation due to his prematurity and small size. He was so premature and compromised and had lost all of his littermates soon after birth. Rocky loved his bottles and his eyes opened to a world that loved him. Unfortunately after 2 ½ weeks, despite the around-the-clock loving care he received, Rocky was too small and too weak to survive. One morning he rapidly declined and was rushed to our emergency veterinarian but could not be saved. Rocky was cherished during his short life and forever lives on in our hearts.

Enzo; a sweet goofy French bulldog with a congenital heart defect was another dog with special needs. Soon after his arrival he was thoroughly evaluated by a veterinary cardiologist and although it was determined that his heart defect was inoperable, he continues, to this day, to enjoy life. Volunteers frequently take him on outings for a Pupachino or a visit to a neighborhood restaurant. His care is supported by our Legacy of Love Program, and other than needing frequent periods of rest and restricted activity, he enjoys the company of other dogs and the daily visits and loving cuddles from Dogwood volunteers and visitors.

2018 marked the end of the long-time hoarding/puppy mill with hundreds of dogs. Dogwood collaborated with several other rescue groups and government agencies to rescue 13 dogs from the same mill that Malachi, Anj and Rae had originally come from. Additionally we paid for the alterations of 40 dogs--ending the cycle of feral, unadoptable dogs forever from this mill.





Fundraising



2018 was an outstanding year for fundraising! We hosted many fun events bringing many familiar and new supporters. Because of the October 2017 fires in Sonoma County, we actually hosted two Paws for Bingo events. Additionally, Dogwood Animal Rescue hosted numerous successful fundraising events including Morning with Malachi, Gus's Legacy of Love, two festive holiday Bunco events, the 2nd Annual Rummage Sale and several others. Gus's Legacy of Love was a tremendous success in 2018. One of our followers, a Sonoma County born firefighter who currently lives in the Tahoe area had returned to our county to fight the 2017 wildfires. He donated a beautiful piece of art out an actual fire hose used during the wildfire. His artwork, an American Flag, raised more than \$20,000 . Thanks to the generous support of our many benefactors such as these, Dogwood is able to provide care for our rescued animals as well as sponsor spay and neuter services for animals in need throughout Northern California.

Mobile Spay & Neuter Clinic

Thanks to our generous supporters we were able to complete the construction of our mobile spay and neuter clinic in 2018. This beautiful trailer is furnished with state-of-the-art veterinary hospital quality kennels, and veterinary and surgical equipment. We are in the process of collaborating with local veterinary and rescue teams to mobilize our resources to areas of need.

Affordable Spay & Neuter Program

Started as a holiday program in December 2017, Dogwood's ongoing spay and neuter program provides a valuable service for several animals throughout Sonoma County each week. This low cost/no cost program provided altered 155 animals in 2018.

Community Partnership

Dogwood is proud of the community support demonstrated daily through our relationships with several communities and organizations.

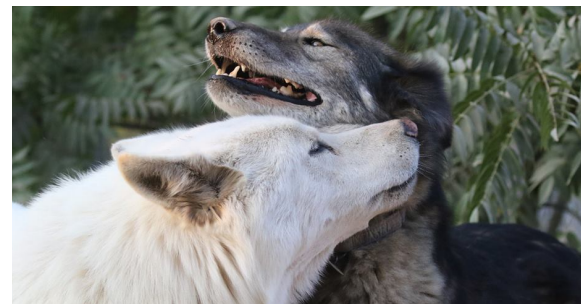
Lake County was hit hard by wildfires in 2018. The Paradise Fires impacted thousands and destroyed hundreds of homes. During the fires and the resulting recovery, Dogwood housed, fed and provided medical care for 35 animals without cost to their families.

Another relationship we have in Lake County is with a local veterinary practice in Middletown, CA. Because of a 2018 Wine Country Animal Lover's grant, we have been able to support a spay and neuter program by sponsoring approximately ten alterations each week in Laker County, sponsoring more than 150 alterations in this program.

Sonoma County has a large number of indigent and homeless citizens. As a result, many of their pets go hungry each day. Through the efforts of our volunteers, we have sponsored food, coat and sleeping bag drives providing needed supplies to the homeless in the area, including Guerneville on the Russian River. Additionally, we have provided pet food for to the Living Room in Santa Rosa--a shelter for abused women and their children.

Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria

Dogwood has continued to provide important animal welfare services to the Kashia Indians at Stewart's Point in northernmost rural Sonoma County. Our relationship with this community, now in its third year, provides no cost spay and neuter, pet food, vaccines and education as well as limited placement/ adoptions to support the health of their animals.



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2018 Best Local Nonprofit



Each year The Press Democrat, Sonoma County’s regional newspaper, hosts an award nominations and balloting for “The Best of” in multiple categories. In 2018 Dogwood was selected to win the Best Local Nonprofit for Sonoma

County. This award truly is an honor of which we are quite proud—it is a reflection of the large number of benefactors and volunteers within our community who support us.



We are so thankful for our many generous volunteers, donors and partners

Our volunteers are the very heart of our organization. Completely volunteer operated, our volunteers do everything from driving miles to rescue animals, to fostering, to cleaning kennels, to bottle feeding, to cuddling and hugging. In the background our volunteers plan and run fundraising events, coordinate volunteer activities and sew pet toys and fundraising merchandise. Our volunteers do it all!

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Dogwood Animal Rescue Project is a 501(c)3 organization that relies on donations to continue to save companion animals. We are 100% volunteer run and we thank you for helping us make a difference, one animal at a time.

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