



# AniCira

## Annual Report

### 2017





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## Mission

Anicira is committed to serving animals and our community through veterinary services, education, outreach, shelter, care, and protection programs to help animals spend healthy lives in a safe environment.

## Vision

A community free of homeless and neglected pets; an end to unnecessary euthanasia.

## Core Values

- Believe in the inherent dignity of each animal.
- Lead with compassion.
- Partner with people.

# A Note from the President

Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to present the 2017 annual report for Anicira. This report outlines some of the solid accomplishments over the past year and the support that makes such achievements possible. There are many examples of the important role that Anicira plays in helping pets. You will see how you—our donors, supporters, adopters, clients, and friends—help animals and our community.

As we move into the new year, our commitment to one of our core values – to help pets live happier and healthier lives – will remain steadfast. We are profoundly grateful to all who contributed to our success - we could not do any of this without you.

*Cate Lemmond*  
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President & CEO

*Below: Manassas Veterinarian-In-Charge Dr. Oelstrom holds Luna, a mass removal and hernia repair patient.*





# Adoption Program

It was a great year for the adoption program: 500 lives were saved in 2017!

Year Two of our Adoption Program began with 22 dogs and 1 cat in our care. Throughout the year, an additional 477 animals came through the program. The majority of our rescues were intentional, although we did have two surprise litters born into our care!

Little, big, young, old, shy, social, laid-back, active, sick, injured, healthy - **we helped them all.**

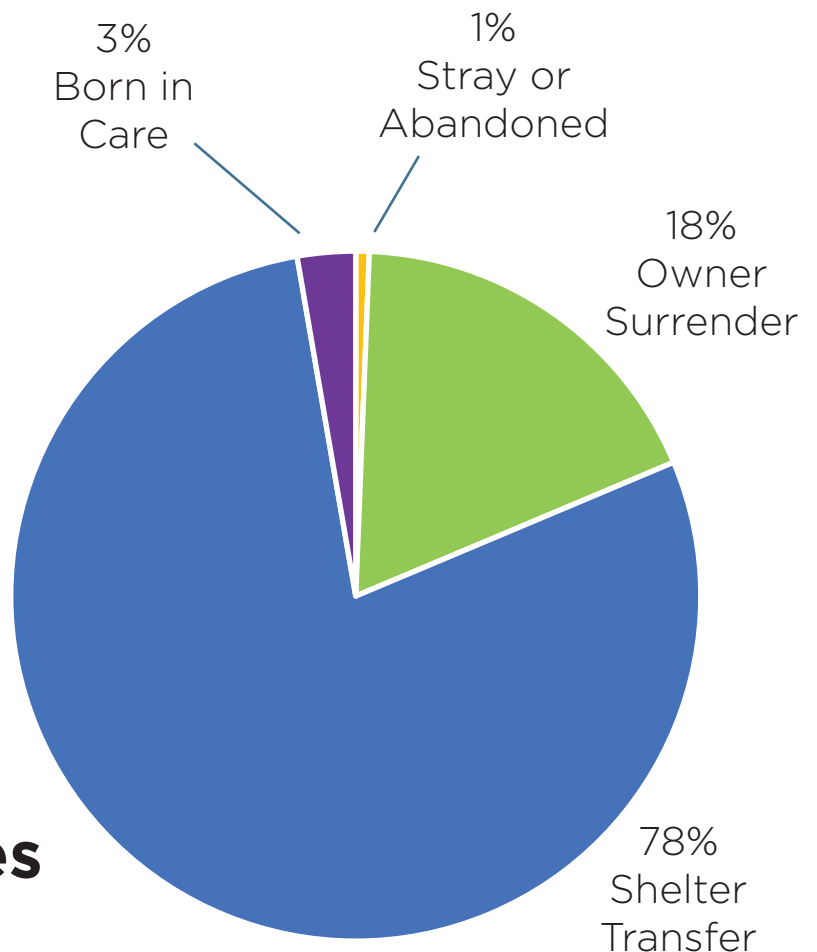
*Above: Adoption Program Manager Laken comforts new arrival Harper.*

## Adoption Program Philosophy

We transferred 371 dogs and puppies (and 4 kittens) from 9 under-resourced shelters/rescues in 2017. These dogs were in direct danger of euthanasia and needed our help the most. The shelter staff and volunteers work tirelessly to network and save the dogs in their care but if there are not enough organizations pulling from them, killing animals for time or space is a real possibility.

This is where we focus our efforts.

## Intake Sources

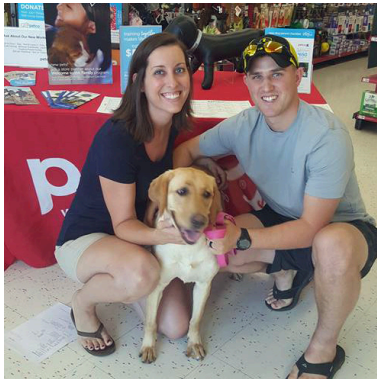




**411** dogs adopted

**13** cats adopted

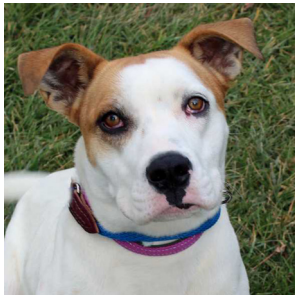
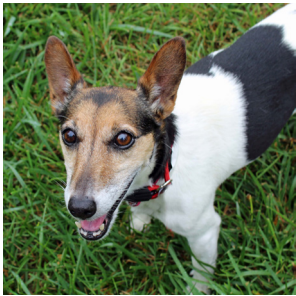
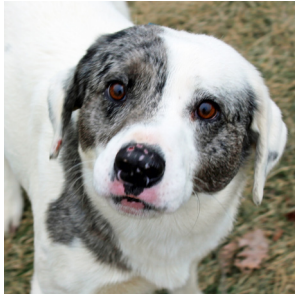
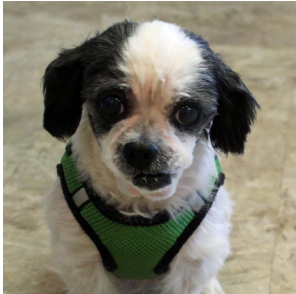
**57** pets transferred to  
no-kill partners



States our adopters came from:

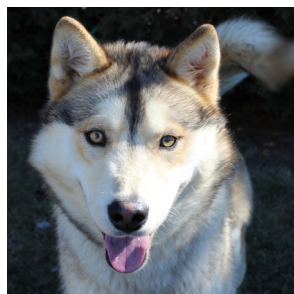
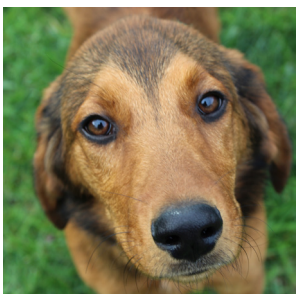
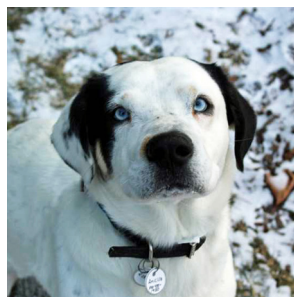
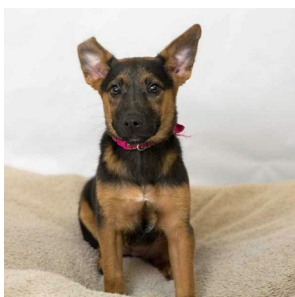
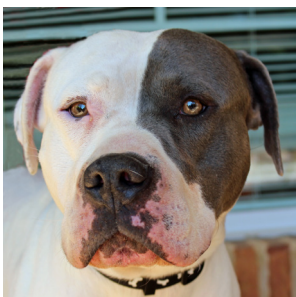
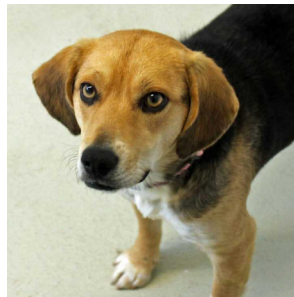
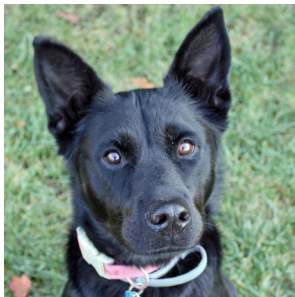
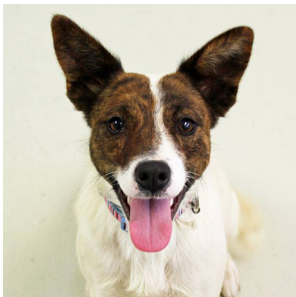






Lifesaving  
Rate:

**99%**





# Veterinary Services



Anicira is a full-service veterinary hospital in Harrisonburg, ensuring that affordable care is available to families of all means.

**Services include:**

- General and preventative health care
- Dentistry
- Routine and complex surgeries
- Geriatric care
- In-house laboratory services
- In-house radiology services
- Puppy and kitten care

*Above: Harrisonburg's Dr. Erika Alt examines Poof the cat.*





# 23,664 vaccines given

Harrisonburg: 13,077

Manassas: 10,587

*Po came in for his puppy shots prior to his neuter.*

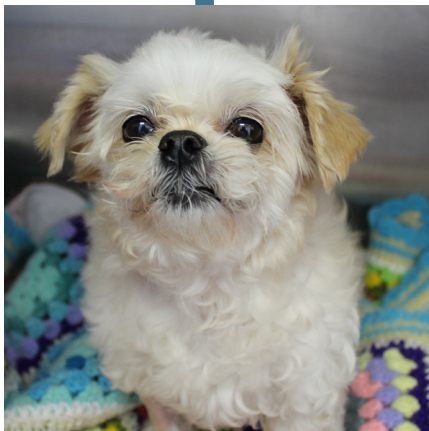


# 594 general surgeries performed

Harrisonburg: 142

Manassas: 452

*Brewster shows off his happy face after his corkscrew tail procedure.*

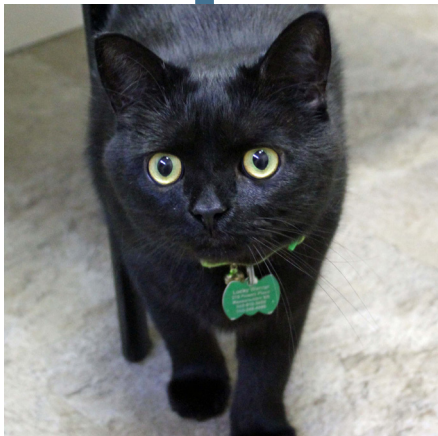


# 668 oral surgeries performed

Harrisonburg: 226

Manassas: 442

*Lightning is much more comfortable after her dental surgery.*



# 2,113 microchips implanted

Harrisonburg: 991

Manassas: 1,122

*Lucky has a microchip so that if he ever gets loose he can be returned to his family.*

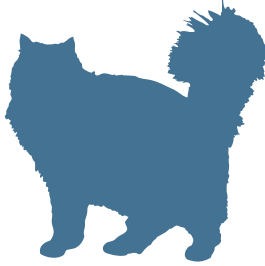


# Spay/ Neuter

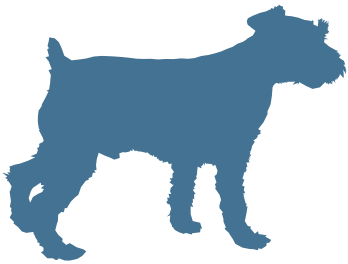


11,718 cats

Harrisonburg: 7,122  
Manassas: 4,596



**16,437 miles driven**  
transporting dogs and cats  
from partner rescues for  
spay/neuter services



6,081 dogs

Harrisonburg: 2,733  
Manassas: 3,348



*Above: Luna poses on her way out of the clinic.*

*Left: Harrisonburg Veterinary Assistant Kelly cuddles giant Lazlo, one of the biggest dogs we've neutered.*

*Right: Manassas Licensed Veterinary Technician Jessie snuggles with Jaz before her spay.*





Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) is a compassionate method of managing community cat populations.

Anicira supports TNR as a vital part of creating a no-kill community. Caretakers throughout our service areas bring cats to us for spay/neuter, rabies vaccination, and ear tips (a universal sign of spay/neuter).



*Above: Anicira Manassas staff pose with Loudon Community Cat Coalition volunteers after a day of serving 58 community cats.*

3,636 community cat  
sterilization  
surgeries performed

Harrisonburg: 1,703  
Manassas: 1,933



*Below: An ear-tipped cat looks out from his environment.*

# Trap-Neuter-Return





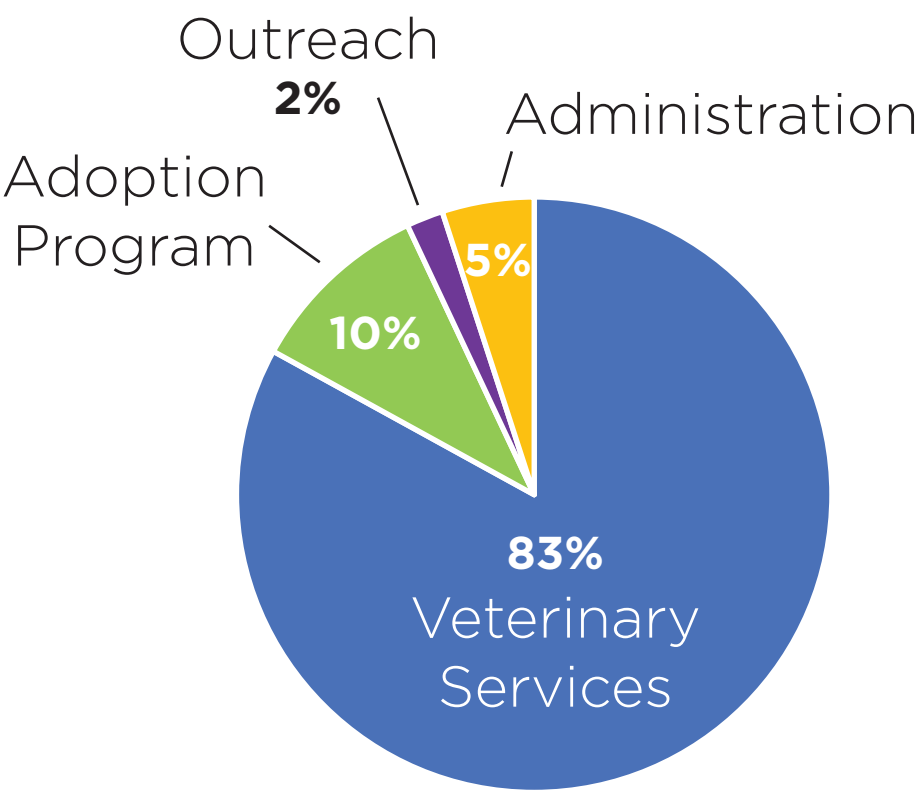


# Finances

Above: Bryson poses for his adoption photo with J Ellis Photography.

Our funding comes from our veterinary services, grants, fundraising events, donations, and adoption fees.

## Expenditures







# Financial Assistance

*Above: Ollie rests after his neuter surgery.*

## Pit Fix

Our "Pit Fix" program gives area residents the opportunity to have their pitbull or pitbull mix sterilized for just \$40.

111 dogs  
spayed/neutered

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## Sashi's Fund

Sashi, a small poodle mix, endured severe neglect. Rescued by Anicira's president, Sashi became a staple of the office for several years. A Fund in her honor helps low-income Northern Virginia families afford care for their pets.

\$30,925  
in assistance  
provided to pets

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## Aidan's Fund

Aidan, a miniature poodle mix, was rescued from life on a chain in 2005 and began a happy life with his new mom. Shortly after, his mom started Aidan's Fund to help Harrisonburg and Rockingham County low-income families afford care.

\$3,649.35  
in assistance  
provided to dogs



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## Feline Fund

Similar to Aidan's Fund, Feline Fund helps Harrisonburg and Rockingham County families with veterinary care for their cats.

\$16,077.47  
in assistance provided to cats

*Left: Bernard, one of the many cats helped through Feline Fund.*





# Outreach & Events

2017 was a great year for several new and repeat events!

## Open House & Adoptable Art Show

April 8, 2017

We invited community members to come see our new building and to view artwork done by local students! The artists, from elementary to high school age, used pictures of current or previous adoption program dogs to create amazing pieces.



## Spay-Ghetti Dinner

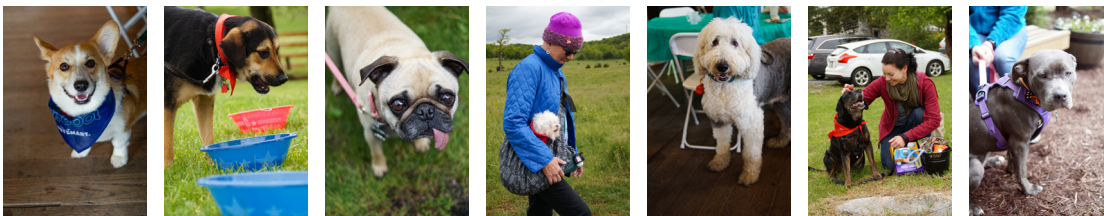
April 17, 2017

Agrodolce Italian Restaurant provided about 75 diners with a three course meal, a violinist set the mood, and local businesses donated silent auction items for this new fundraiser!

## 2nd Annual Walk for the Animals

May 13, 2017

More than 150 people and almost as many dogs gathered at Melrose Caverns outside Harrisonburg to walk around scenic pastures, eat, and play games as part of our largest fundraiser!



Photos by Cara Walton Photography



# On the Road: Junior Vets

October - December 2017

On the Road Collaborative, a nonprofit organization focusing on at-risk middle school students, invited us to teach a 10-week afterschool course to Skyline Middle School students interested in the veterinary field.

Over the 10 weeks, we helped the students explore different careers within the field, learn animal behavior and handling, practice injections and sutures on oranges and bananas, and more.

At the end of the course, the students “took over” the clinic, providing care to 3 patients from check in to check out. They gathered medical histories on 2 dogs and a kitten, collected weights and heart rates, then helped Dr. Alt perform wellness exams and administer vaccines.

It was a great learning experience for all involved!



*Below: Maggie May poses in front of our booth at Fine Earth's K9 for Warriors race, one of several outreach opportunities Anicira participated in.*





# 2017: A Year of Transformations



Baldwin, a puppy mill survivor, goes on all sorts of adventures with his new buddy Tucker!



Mia, found in a shed two weeks after being abandoned there, now lives a happy life in Maryland!



Ripley, a scared, undersocialized pup dumped at a shelter, now helps new foster dogs get acclimated to love!



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