



2021 Annual Report

Luna, a patient at Anicira's Manassas location

Anicira
Veterinary Center

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Mission

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

Vision

End Animal Suffering.

Core Values

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



Left: Dr. Bond, an Anicira DVM, and her cat Gojo

Letter from President/CEO

Dear Friends,

I am happy to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the progress Anicira has made in our mission over the last year.

Research, studies, and other writings in the COVID period suggest that the companionship, comfort, and happiness our pets bring are even more important than ever in times of heightened stress. The past two years have presented tremendous challenges for all of us, perhaps most of all for the underserved communities that are at the core of our mission to provide affordable high-quality veterinary care. Through the steadfast dedication of Anicira team members, in partnership with the local communities we serve, we navigated these challenges and continued to respond to the needs of our clients and patients.

In 2021, our hospitals provided care for over 30,000 pets. We were able to experience the joy, excitement, and hope of helping a critically ill or injured pet fully recover because of Anicira's lifesaving care.

Additionally, our Pet Food Pantry provided a record number of nutritious meals so no pet would go hungry. Through Operation Free Pet Healthcare, we have started the first of its kind free comprehensive care clinic. Perhaps most prominently, we have also now expanded our reach by establishing a new hospital to serve the San Diego, CA community.

Within the pages of this report, you will see the many ways Anicira works and the successes we have achieved in the last year. As our work to end animal suffering continues, we will work hard to continue doing what we do best – providing high-quality, affordable veterinary care that helps pets and the families who love them.

On behalf of those we serve, thank you for your continued belief and trust in our lifesaving work and for being a part of our enduring mission.



With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cate Lemmond".

Cate Lemmond
President/CEO



Pookie, an Anicira
Patient

Veterinary Centers

In 2021, Anicira provided high-quality and affordable veterinary care to more pets than ever. The Harrisonburg and Manassas veterinary hospitals continued to adapt to the needs of pets during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Anicira Veterinary Center of San Diego opened in October. Equipped with the most advanced and cutting-edge technology, the new veterinary hospital provides affordable spay/neuter procedures, dentistry and oral surgery, general surgery and wellness services.



33,797

Patient Visits in 2021

Anicira Veterinary Center Offers Clients:



Sick + Well Care



Dentistry + Oral Surgery



General Surgery



End of Life Care



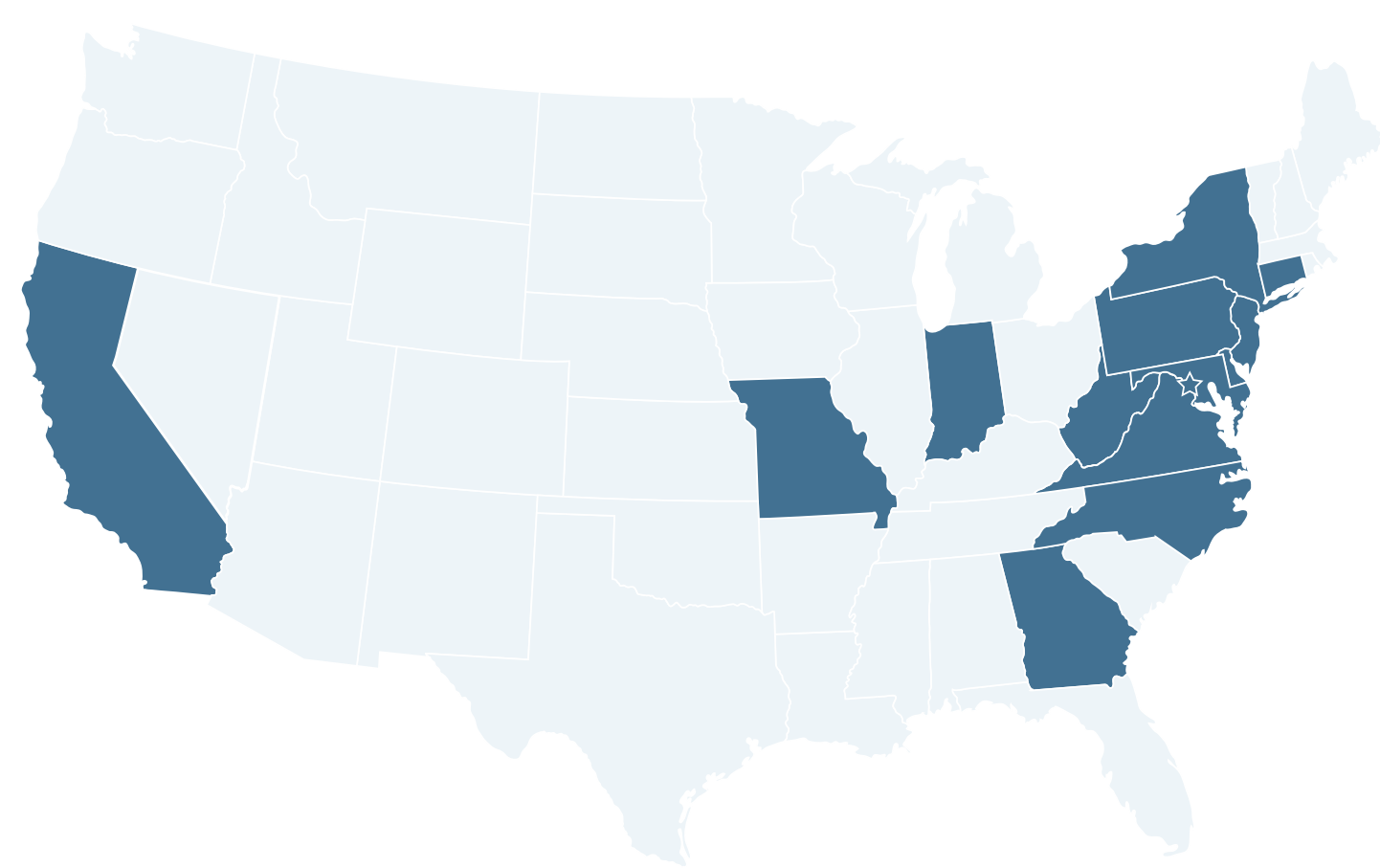
Spay + Neuter Surgery



Orthopedic Surgery
(Manassas location only)

Pet Parents Visited from Near and Far

Lack of access to affordable veterinary care is a major concern for many pet families. To obtain medical and surgical care for their pets, families drove many hours to bring their pets to Anicira. One pet family traveled 18 hours and over 1,100 miles so that their pet could receive lifesaving surgery at our Harrisonburg hospital.



California
DC
Georgia
Indiana

Maryland
Massachusetts
Missouri
North Carolina

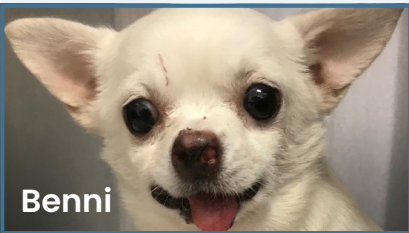
New Jersey
New York
Pennsylvania
West Virginia

Veterinary Center Statistics



30,457 Vaccines Administered

3,986 Microchips Implanted



1,557 Dentistry Procedures Performed

1,433 General Surgeries Performed



6,516 Canines Spayed/Neutered

11,675 Felines Spayed/Neutered



66 Rabbits Spayed/Neutered

Veterinary Services

Providing excellent patient care and superlative service to pet parents is our top priority. Each pet that walked into our hospitals was treated with the highest level of individual care and attention.



Felix

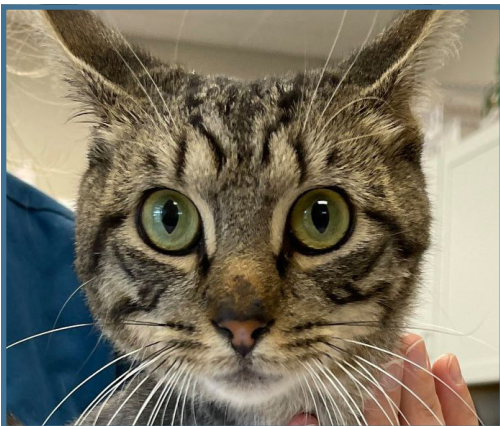
Felix is a cat from the Bronx, New York who ventured into his mom's craft supplies and swallowed a long piece of crafting floss. The floss became lodged in his intestines and he needed emergency surgery to remove it. Felix's family could not afford the price estimate given to them by an emergency hospital in New York, but they did not want to euthanize their beloved Felix. An internet search helped them find Anicira's Harrisonburg hospital. After a six-hour drive, our team performed lifesaving surgery on Felix. Anicira is able to provide affordable surgical care thanks to donors and people who support our hospitals.



Maddie

Maddie accidentally fell out of a first-floor window and began crying out in pain. She could not stand or move. Her mom called Anicira for help but was unable to transport Maddie to the clinic. That's when our Hospital Administrator, Melissa Gilligan, decided to hop in her car and do whatever it would take to help Maddie and her family.

Once Maddie arrived, our team performed X-rays and found that she had fractured her left hind leg. She received a pretty pink cast and medications to manage her pain. Maddie has recovered and is back home with her family now.



Hank

The world can be a cruel place for cats like Hank who live outdoors. Hank arrived at Anicira in bad shape after experiencing severe trauma from what was most likely a gunshot. To prevent further pain and suffering, our surgical team amputated Hank's front right leg. Because of the care he received, Hank can live a long, healthy life. He was adopted by a loving family and has a happy home to stay in.

Increasing Access to Veterinary Care

As a nonprofit veterinary hospital, it is Anicira's mission to increase access to veterinary care and keep pets with their families. In 2021, Anicira helped 2,907 families by providing free veterinary care through our financial assistance programs. The services we provided ranged from critical care that saved lives to providing vaccines that prevent deadly diseases.



Molly received free veterinary care through Anicira's financial assistance programs

Pit Fix

Provides \$40 spay/neuter surgeries to Pit Bull Terrier mixes in Harrisonburg, Rockingham County, Manassas Park, and Prince William County.

Sashi's Fund

Helps underserved pets in Northern Virginia receive veterinary care. This fund is named in honor of Sashi, a dog who was rescued from a life of severe neglect.

Feline Fund

Feline Fund helps Harrisonburg and Rockingham County families with veterinary care for their cats.

Aiden'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.



2,907

Patients Provided Free
Health Care



1,754

Pets Helped



\$477,273.41

in Free Care Provided

Operation Free Pet Healthcare

To address the lack of access to veterinary care among certain vulnerable populations, Anicira has successfully launched one of the country's first free comprehensive pet care clinics. Operation Free Pet Healthcare provides free wellness, medical, surgical, and dental care to pets in the Harrisonburg community. Low-cost clinics and even free spay/neuter programs are available sparsely throughout the country, but Operation Free Pet Healthcare is the first of its kind to provide free access to these services for underserved families.

Many underserved families experience a delay in seeking a diagnosis and treatment for their sick or injured pet due to a lack of access to affordable veterinary care. The delay can ultimately lead to negative health outcomes, higher care costs, and a decrease in the quality of life for the animal. Clients who live in the City of Harrisonburg or Rockingham County and who are enrolled in Medicaid are eligible for Operation Free Pet Healthcare.



\$239,574.09

in Free Care Provided



1,334

Patients Helped



432

Families Served





Partner Support

Support from partner organizations helps us increase access to veterinary care and provide free care to pets in need. We are grateful to these organizations for supporting our mission and for their dedication to helping pets.



HARRISONBURG-ROCKINGHAM



Pet Food Pantry

Pet families needed more support than ever in 2021. On the second Saturday of each month, Anicira distributed thousands of pounds of pet food at Anicira Adoption Center. The pantry continued to operate as a drive-thru to keep pet families, volunteers, and team members safe. Our partnership with Hope Distributed, a human food pantry, continued. On the fourth Thursday of each month, we distributed pet food at their pantry.



114,696
pounds of food
distributed



293,006
nutritious meals
provided



24
distribution events



Helping Homeless Animals



Puppy transported from Lee County Animal Shelter to a rescue organization.

Adoptions

In June, Anicira's leadership team was shocked to find our rural rescue partner was overcapacity with homeless pets. We mobilized immediately and took in 25 rescue dogs. Anicira saw an outpouring of support from the community, with many generous community members offering their homes to underprivileged pets.



25 Pets Rescued

Transport

Animal rescue depends on partnerships and collaboration between organizations. Anicira transported dogs from rural Southwest Virginia to Harrisonburg to enable their connection to rescue organizations throughout the state.



133 Pets Transported



Simba



Johnny



Maggie

Events

Anicira hosted and participated in several fundraising events last year that allowed us to raise money to fulfill our mission of ending animal suffering.



Happy Neuter Year

January 29, 2021

Cat overpopulation is a major concern in the Harrisonburg and Rockingham County communities. To help reduce the number of homeless pets entering the local shelter, Anicira hosted a Happy Neuter Year event. 132 cats received free neuter surgeries, vaccines, and microchips in one busy day.



World Spay Day

February 23, 2021

In recognition of World Spay Day, Anicira partnered with three animal welfare organizations to provide 32 free spay/neuter surgeries for dogs and cats in need. Starting in 1995, World Spay Day is an annual event encouraging people to spay/neuter their pets to help reduce the homeless pet population.



Great Community Give

April 21, 2021

For the fourth year in a row, Anicira participated in the Great Community Give to raise money. Coordinated by The Community Foundation of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County, the event was a single day of fundraising to promote charitable giving in our community. Anicira successfully raised \$10,633 and had 81 unique donors. Donations supported the promotion of pets' health and happiness through our various programs and services.



Brother's Craft Brewery May Music Festival

May 22, 2021

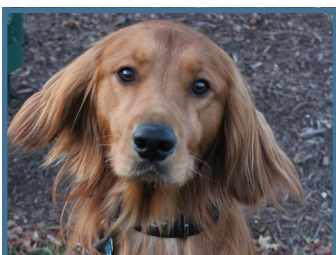
Brother's Craft Brewery hosted a music festival that benefited Anicira and Cat's Cradle. The festival featured many musical acts, food, games, and ice-cold craft beer.



San Diego Veterinary Center Open House

October 16, 2021

Anicira's new San Diego veterinary hospital welcomed community members for tours, food, giveaways, and an opportunity to meet the team.



Free Vaccine and Microchip Clinic

December 4, 2021

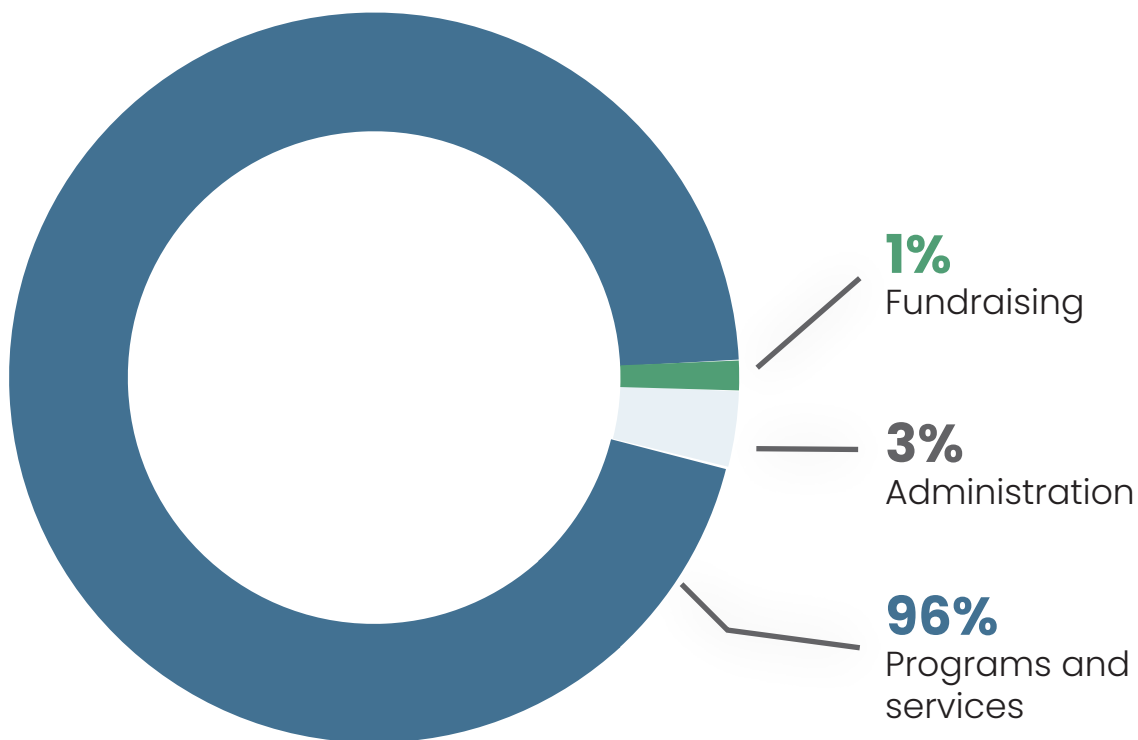
Anicira provided free microchips and rabies vaccine. Petco Love donated parvo and combo vaccines.



Sawdust, an
Anicira patient

Financial Information

Anicira is funded through veterinary services, grants, fundraising events, and individual and corporate donations.





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