

ANIMAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 25th, 2024 - 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
511 West 3900 South, Salt Lake City, 84123

Meeting recording:

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MEETING MINUTES

Members in attendance:

Alan Peterson – Kearns
Grant Crowell – Bluffdale
Rita Lund – Millcreek
Dustin Gettel - Midvale
Carmen Bailey – Salt Lake City
Holly Smith – City of Holladay
Lt. Brian Wright – Murray
Kevin Severson – Copperton

Jeff Bossard – Town of Brighton
Linda Price – White City
Audrey Pierce – Magna
Gary Bowen – Emigration Canyon
Scott Baird – Salt Lake County Mayor
Arlyn Bradshaw – Salt Lake County Council
Juli Ulvestad – Industry Expert
Chris Catalano – Millcreek (Member-Alternate)

Non-Members Present:

Talia Butler – SLCO Animal Services
Carrie Sibert – SLCO Animal Services

Jami Johanson – SLCO Animal Services
Karl Carpenter – SLCO Animal Services

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL – Dustin Gettel, Chair

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1. Approval of 1-25-24 Meeting Minutes

Kevin Severson motioned, Linda Price seconded. All say aye.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS

3.1. ACO Cares Program, Karl Carpenter, Field Manager

Karl Carpenter explained how the ACO Cares program works through interactions between citizens in need and responding Animal Control Officers. Through the program Officers may issue vouchers offering free spaying/neutering services, microchipping, and other resources for pets in the community. The program is funded through donations raised in various fundraising events and assists the community that may be struggling financially and offer resources that can help.

3.2. Special Programs & Fundraising, Jami Johanson, Communications & PR Manager

Jami provided an overview of various outreach programming that includes humane education, volunteering, events, and fundraisers. Jami explained how through fundraising events and various fundraising programs like the annual spayghetti event and partnerships with businesses like Mark Miller Subaru animal services raised over \$342,000 last year that funded large makeover projects at the shelter along with resource programs such as spaying and neutering, monthly pet pantry, and our injured animal fund.

Jami provided an overview of upcoming fundraising events planned for 2024.

Jami also explained how our donation funds will be used to help build a new dog kennel outbuilding at the animal shelter. This will help address space constraints and help us maintain our no-kill philosophy goals. We are hopeful it'll provide around 30 additional kennels with a possibly of some larger kennels to house animals that are held at the shelter for longer periods such as court hold cases.

Talia also explained how we are working with the district attorney's office to explore ideas to help better manage and address the court hold cases in hopes it will expedite the process and a decision on the animal is made sooner.

3.3. Cost per Capita rate, Talia Butler, Division Director

Talia explained how the cost per capita rate for 2024-2025 has increased from \$9.36 to \$11.41. Talia went over the reasons for the increase including market salary adjustments, increase in average hold times of the animals in the shelter, capital projects fund, the minimum wage increases countywide which affected most

animal services staff, revenue fund deficit, cost of living, and product market increases.

Talia explained that in previous years funding for minor needs of the shelter were able to be covered as we had a large number of vacant positions and were able to use some donation funding depending on the project. However, most vacancies have been filled and due to the need for large shelter repairs such as the shelter's roof replacement and HVAC system and based on the 2022 audit recommendation, Animal Services created a capital project fund to cover these needs with a 10-year schedule of planned projects. Animal services has also taken measures to help increase the revenue and is open to recommendations and ideas from the cities to help as well. Holly suggested creating a campaign to help increase licensing.

Carrie Sibert will send each of the city's individual prices along with a detailed explanation of the increase.

3.4. Division Updates, Talia Butler, Division Director

Talia explained that the Governor declared 2024 as the year for Utah to be a no-kill state. This is a huge success, and we are very grateful for the support for the no-kill movement.

Talia stated animal services has won Best in State making this our 16th time winning this award.

Talia explained that our mobile clinic has been remodeled and we are currently working on getting a veterinary clinic to staff the mobile clinic. Once staffed, the clinic will go to each jurisdiction in Salt Lake County at least twice within the next calendar year to provide free spay and neuter surgeries, vaccinations, and microchips to citizens in need. Talia explained the goals and plans for the program. Animal Services will coordinate with the cities to identify what areas are most in need. Animal Services has seen a huge amount of interest in this program and are already receiving an influx of requests. The mobile unit will also be used for various events if it is not scheduled for a surgery that day.

4. MEMBER REPORTS

4.1. Updates from member's jurisdictions that may impact Animal Services.

- Alan Peterson – Kearns, n/a, Alan did adopt a dog from the shelter after fostering.
- Grant Crowell – Bluffdale, n/a, extended a thank you to Carrie.
- Rita Lund – Millcreek, n/a, also extended a thank you for our services.
- Dustin Gettel – Midvale, n/a, Dustin also adopted from animal services and extended a thank you for our services.
- Carmen Bailey – Salt Lake City, Carmen extended a thank you to Talia and Carrie for our annual report presentation. Carmen also explained they are still hopeful to be able to hire 2 animal control officers specifically for park patrols in SLC.
- Holly Smith – City of Holladay, Holly explained that they are working on converting an old elementary school into a public park and including a dog park. Holly is seeking input on recommendations for that park.
- Lt. Brian Wright – Murray, n/a
- Kevin Severson – Copperton, n/a, extended a thank for our services.
- Jeff Bossard – Town of Brighton, n/a, extended a thank you for our services.
- Linda Price – White City, Linda explained that they received a complaint regarding cats at an address, she spoke with Karl on it who will get our community cat team to help assist.
- Audrey Pierce – Magna, n/a
- Gary Bowen – Emigration Canyon, Gary explained that state law passed that all townships would become cities and they are making decisions on the official names of each new city.
- Scott Baird – Salt Lake County Mayor, n/a
- Arlyn Bradshaw – Salt Lake County Council, Arlyn explained that councilwoman Dea Theodore is making a proclamation and resolution from the county council celebrating our 10 year no-kill achievement and recommitting Salt Lake County to the no-kill mission. Arlyn would also like to present Karl and Jami's presentations to the County Council.
- Juli Ulvestad – Industry Expert, Juli also recently adopted a dog.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

6. SHELTER & P.A.W.S. MOBILE CLINIC TOUR (optional)

Members took a tour of the shelter and the new mobile unit.

7. **ADJOURN**

Kevin Severson motioned; Rita Lund seconded. All say aye.

Meeting Recorder :

*Office Manager, **Carrie Sibert.***

AN-Advisory@slco.org



ANIMAL SERVICES

FIELD

**ACO CARES
PROGRAM**

PROGRAM GOALS

- Encouraging responsible pet ownership
- Increasing health of pets
- Reducing risk of harm in the community
- Keeping pets in the home
- Building trust and cohesion with public





**OPPORTUNITIES ARISE
THROUGH OFFICER
RELATED INTERACTIONS**

**SERVICES PROVIDE A POSITIVE
RESOLUTION TO OTHERWISE
DIFFICULT SITUATIONS**

**ALTERNATIVE OPTION
TO PUNITIVE ACTION**

FUNDING

**PROGRAM MADE POSSIBLE
THROUGH FUNDRAISING EVENTS
INCLUDING SPAYGHETTI.**

- Voucher issued by attending officer
- Value of \$150 to cover the cost of Spay/Neuter services
- Includes essential vaccinations
- Microchip





MICROCHIPS

**MICROCHIPS ARE A PROVEN, INVALUABLE
METHOD TO REUNITE PETS AND OWNERS**

- **Allows for peace of mind for an owner**
- **Implanted microchips remain in SLCoAS database allowing for instant identification**
- **Available to all SL County residents and all types of animals**

STATISTICS

- **MICROCHIPS 2023 - 4480**
- **MICROCHIPS 2024 - 1232**
- **ACO CARES VOUCHERS
REDEEMED 2023 - \$10,000**
- **ACO CARES VOUCHERS
REDEEMED 2024 - \$2,500**



RTO SUCCESSSES

OFFICER SNYDER & ELIZABETH



QUESTIONS?



SPECIAL PROGRAMS TEAM:

❖ Fundraising, Grants, Donations & Sponsorships

- ❖ Humane Education
- ❖ Adoption Program
- ❖ Volunteer Program
- ❖ Foster Program
- ❖ Hounds Around Town Program
- ❖ Retention Program
- ❖ Events
- ❖ Social Media & Communications
and More!



Mark Miller Subaru 2024 Love Pets Partner

- ❖ Sponsoring events
- ❖ Looking to fund a shelter project this year
- ❖ This Fall they'll choose two lucky LOVE partners



Grants:

- Greater Good Charities
- Maddie's Funds
- Best Friends
- Empty the Shelters
- Willard L. Eccles Foundation
- Petfinder
- Humane Society of United States



**Over \$60,000
awarded in grant funding in just the
last few years!**

Event Sponsors:

- Mark Miller Subaru
- dogMode
- Bruce Bastian
- Mountain West Vet.
- Bjorns Brew
- Rocky Mountain Power
- Chile Dog Photography
- Utah Homes with Jess
- Dogs Meow
- Healthy Pets Mtn West
- Renovate Park City
- Camp Bow Wow
- Really Epic Dog
- The Carpet Barn
- Raising Canes
- AVC & VCA
- & MANY MORE

In-Kind Donations

- ❖ **Between \$120,000 to \$200,000** valued each year in in-kind donations
- ❖ **Chewy.com** gives us thousands of dollars in pet supplies (Last Truck \$18,000)
- ❖ **All dog/cat treats & enrichment items** are donated
- ❖ **Freezer**, sound panels, treadmill, furniture & much more all donated



Donation Campaigns

throughout the year for specific supplies

Virtual Kitten Shower

Help us stock our kitten supplies for 2024!

March 4 - 9

Visit our kitten care wishlist on Amazon:



Questions?
Email
Fosters@slco.org



Kitten formula, scales, beds, toys, cleaning supplies. etc.



DONATE A BED TO A SHELTER PET

Kuranda Bed Fundraiser for Dogs & Cats

<https://bit.ly/slcodogbeds>



Kuranda Beds

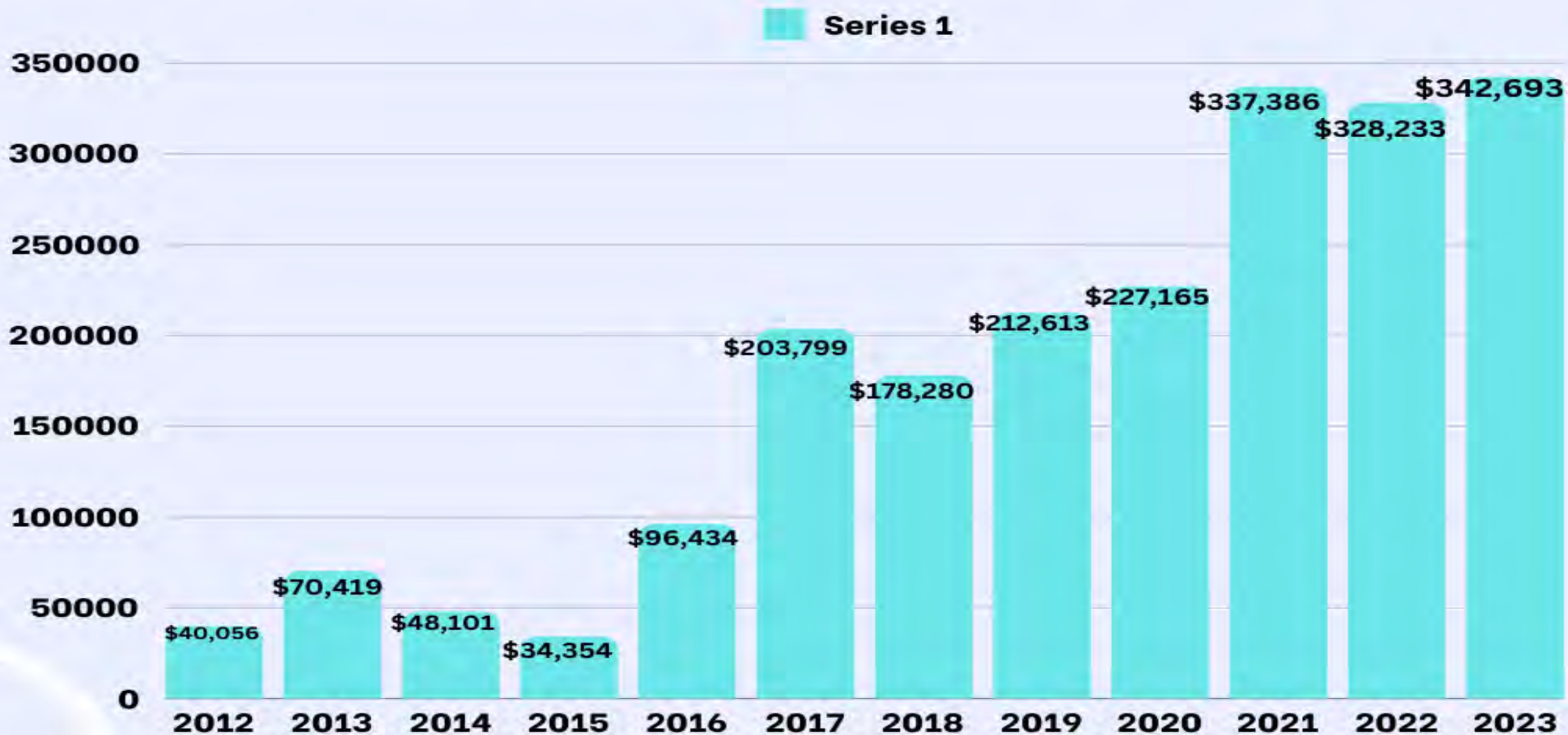


Giving Tree

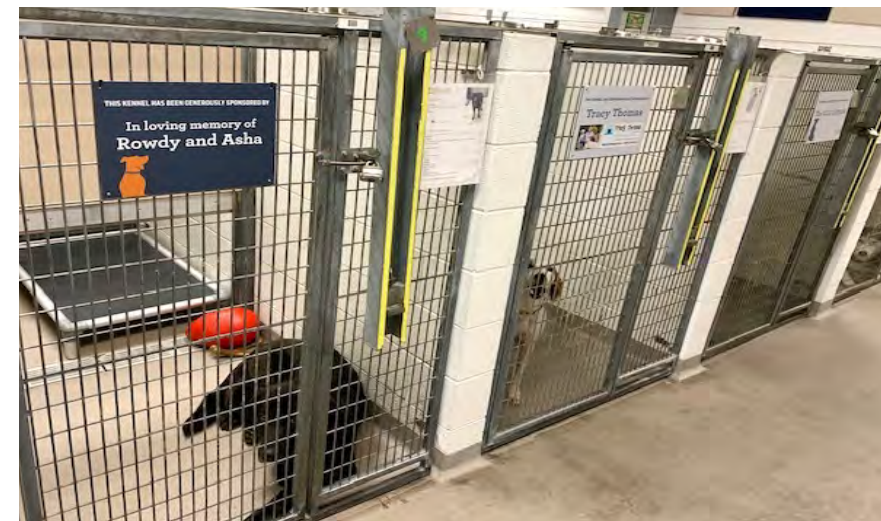


Pet treats, pet food, beds, pet toys, leashes, litter, etc.

Monetary Donations



Kennel & Colony Sponsorship Program





Cattery Makeover

- ❖ **Raised** over \$10,000 for Betty White's 100th Birthday.
- ❖ **Funding** allowed us to epoxy entire cattery floor, wallpaper, paint & buy brand new furnishings.
- ❖ **Over** \$5,000 in donations each year since Betty's 100th.



BEFORE



Cattery Makeover

Updated modern space for Cats, Adopters, Volunteers,
& Book Buddy Children all to enjoy!



AFTER



HUCK'S AGILITY RUN MAKEOVER

Sponsored & Donation Funded for artificial turf, agility equipment, & sunshades. Total \$30,000



BEFORE



AFTER



Pet Crew Pet Pantry Events

Made possible by Sponsors, Monetary & In-kind donations



**70 Families, 155 Dogs, 250 Cats
Average Helped Each Month**



GIVING TUESDAY - Injured Animal Fund

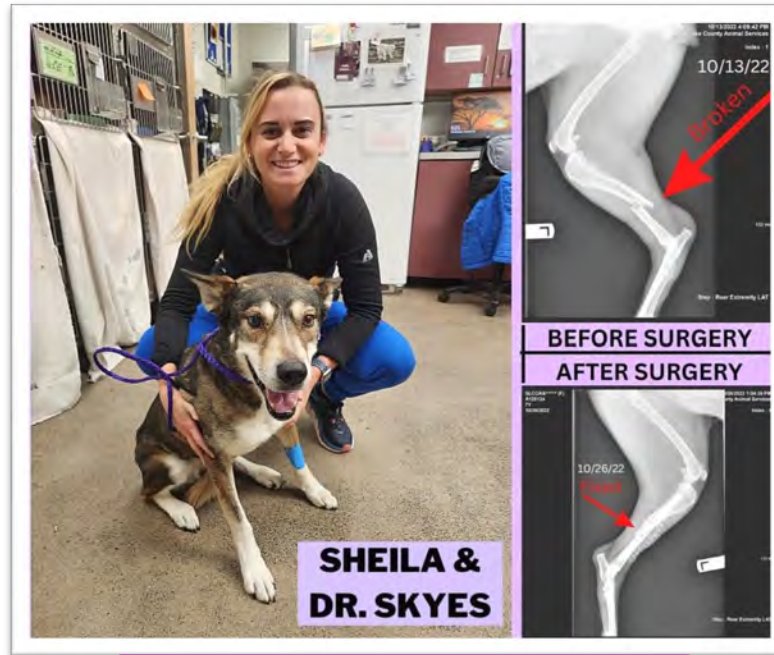
- ❖ Last year we raised over \$31,000
- ❖ \$5,000 Sponsorship included from Bjorn's Brew
- ❖ Bingo at Big Willies



Una living outside w/
Severe skin issues



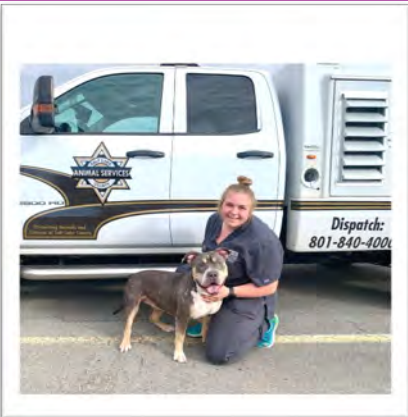
Yuma Orthopedic
Surgery on leg \$1,800



Tibial Fracture Repair
Surgery \$1,760

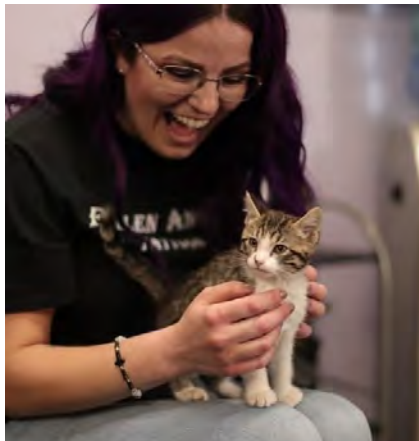
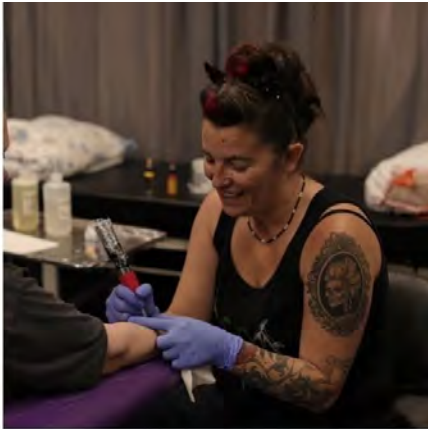
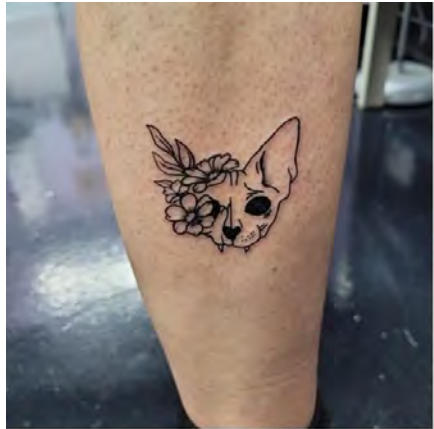


Roscoe Femur Surgery
\$1,200



TATS FOR CATS

- ❖ Started in 2018
- ❖ Raises around \$3,000 to \$4,000 each year
- ❖ Flash Art Tattoos range from \$60 to \$100 each
- ❖ All proceeds go towards pets at Salt Lake County Animal Services



TATS
FOR
CATS

Fallen Angel
Tattoos

May 18th
11am - 6pm

SL SALT LAKE
COUNTY
ANIMAL SERVICES



Pittie Pageant

- ❖ Love McGarr holds the current Pittie Pageant Title
- ❖ Over \$4,800 was raised for last years Pageant
- ❖ Funds raised goes towards our FREE Pittie Fix in October



PITTIE PAGEANT

PHOTO CONTEST

Follow These Steps:

- 1 Sign Up:
adoptutahpets.cbo.io
- 2 Pay the \$10 Entry Fee &
Submit Your Pups Photo
- 3 Voting Runs 5/20 - 6/1



SL SALT LAKE COUNTY
ANIMAL SERVICES

More Fundraising Events



SPAYghetti Gala

\$130,000 GOAL

The funds raised at our gala contribute to our spay and neuter program, enabling us to provide sterilization surgeries for pets in our serviced regions.



Spay & Neuter





Tentatively scheduled for Friday, October 4th



We would LOVE for you
all to join us this year!



2024 New Outbuilding Project

- ❖ **Why?** We are in urgent need of additional dog kennel space.
- ❖ **How will we fund this project?** Donation Funds
- ❖ **Anticipated outcomes?** Stay ahead of the pet population growth and expand our capacity to provide comfortable housing for shelter dogs.
- ❖ **Timeline?** The goal is to have it started this Summer and finished by the Fall of 2024.

Example Only

