



Oregon Coast Humane Society Annual Report 2025



Our Mission

The Mission of the Corporation shall be to rescue, care for, and find responsible, loving, permanent homes for homeless and at-risk dogs and cats; to advance the goal of a no-kill community; to promote the principle of a lifetime commitment to our pets; and to provide for spay/neuter and educational programs to the public.

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends of OCHS,

As I write this letter for our annual report, I'm celebrating five years of serving animals and the people who love them at Oregon Coast Humane Society. Every year brings new challenges, inspiring stories, and reminders of just how compassionate and generous our community truly is. I remain deeply grateful for the support of our OCHS family, including YOU!

What makes OCHS special is our commitment to keeping people and pets together whenever possible. We embrace senior pets, provide second chances, and make a lifetime commitment to the animals who come through our doors. Whether that means welcoming an adopted pet back years later when life circumstances change, helping a family afford emergency veterinary care, or providing peace of mind through A Plan for My Pets, we believe every animal deserves compassion and every family deserves support.

Last year, even more pet guardians enrolled their beloved companions in A Plan for My Pets, ensuring their animals will be cared for by OCHS if they are ever separated by death or disability. It is one of the most meaningful promises we can make to our community — a commitment that no beloved pet will be left behind.

That mission grew even stronger in 2025 with the opening of our veterinary clinic. Thanks to grants and donations from supporters like you, we are now able to help more animals in crisis than ever before through programs like the SARAH Fund, which provides emergency medical assistance for pets in need. Not a week goes by that we aren't reminded how lifesaving this support can be.

2025 was truly transformational for OCHS. We opened our veterinary clinic, finalized the purchase of our shelter property after years of negotiations, and invested in our staff, programs, and facilities to better serve our community. None of this would have been possible without you.

Thank you for believing in our mission and helping us build a brighter future for animals and the people who love them. Together, we are changing the world four paws at a time.

For the animals,

Elizabeth Thompson
Executive Director



Lolo and Buddha, Elizabeth's dogs.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Compassion, honesty, and trust in both people and animals are values that have guided my life. Those values are what first drew my family and me to the Oregon Coast Humane Society. Five years ago, we began volunteering, and OCHS quickly became a meaningful part of our lives. In 2024, I joined the OCHS Board of Directors, and in 2025, I had the honor of becoming Board President.

Each day, I am inspired by the kindness and dedication of this community. Our staff, volunteers, donors, and supporters make it possible for OCHS to continue caring for animals in need. Their commitment sustains our shelter and helped make the dream of our own veterinary clinic a reality. Together, we share a common purpose: to ensure that every animal feels safe, cared for, and loved.

It is a privilege to serve an organization that reflects the very best of who we are. Thank you for being part of the OCHS family and for helping us build a brighter future for the clinic, the shelter, and most importantly, the animals who depend on us.

With heartfelt thanks, for the animals,



Joe Zarate



Weston and Daisy, Joe's dogs.

- Elizabeth Thompson- Executive Director
- Valerie Swensrud- Volunteer & Community Outreach Coordinator
- Justin Helt- Shelter Manager
- Jenny Rankin- Office Manager, Senior Animal Care Specialist
- Dr. Tamay Guevara- Vet Clinic & Shelter Veterinarian
- Jodi Wentlandt- Vet Clinic Coordinator
- Michelle Cole- Veterinary Technician
- Monica Southard- Vet Clinic Office Staff
- Niccolette Bello, KPA-CTP- Dog Intake Coordinator
- Animal Care Specialist-
- Alicia Albritton
- Tracy Anderson
- Janine Burgess
- Chris Cascadden
- Natalee Charlton
- Manny Flores
- Amy Godwin
- Shane Lissy
- Kat Nichols
- Zoey Slider
- Cara Thiergartner
- Katherine Vaccaro
- Lynette Mitchell- Thrift Store Manager
- Jacklyn Parker- Thrift Store Keyholder
- Deanne Pandozzi- Thrift Store Keyholder

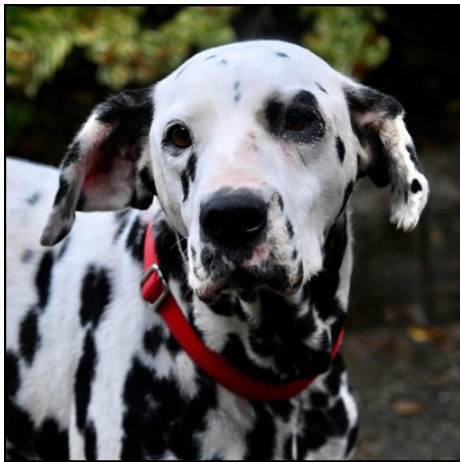
2025 YEAR IN REVIEW

Intakes

- 272 owner surrenders (309 in 2024)
- 52 returns (74 in 2024)
- 38 seized/custody (21 in 2024)
- 536 strays (302 in 2024)
- 121 transfer in (94 in 2024)



Outcomes



- 757 Adoptions (581 in 2024)
- 21 died in care (6 in 2024)
- 25 euthanasia (21 in 2024)
10 Clinic, 15 Shelter
- 62 transfer out (37 in 2024)
- 191 lost animals reunited with their families (128 in 2024)

SERVING BOTH ENDS OF THE LEASH

1,020 community animals seen at OCHS clinics for spay/neuter, vaccines & microchips, wellness appointments, dentals, and emergency care (453 in 2024)



Community Pet Food Bank

11,069 pounds of food, treats, and litter distributed to community animals through our Pet Food Bank (8,619 in 2024)

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

2025 SHELTER VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR: TIM MCGINNIS

Congratulations to Tim McGinnis, who was awarded the 2025 Volunteer of the Year. Tim comes to the shelter several times a week to take dogs for a run or walk, and he participates in events across the organization and community. He volunteers with the Estate Sale team to pick up and deliver donations, brings shelter pets to community events, and was part of the team that painted and updated the veterinary clinic. Tim also joined the team of volunteers who painted the parking lots at the shelter, Thrift Store, and veterinary clinic. We're so grateful to have Tim in our OCHS family!



2025 VETERINARY CLINIC VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR: SANDRA RANKIN

Congratulations to Sandra Rankin for winning the very first Veterinary Clinic Volunteer of the Year award! When we purchased the old Oceanside Veterinary Hospital, we had no idea how much help we would need to get the clinic operational. Sandra helped organize and clean upstairs and downstairs while also helping with data entry and educating pet guardians when they came to pick up their animals after surgeries. Sandra has been involved with OCHS for decades and is one of our best secret weapons. There's a reason the entire veterinary clinic team calls her "mom" - she's part of the OCHS family!



THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

2025 THRIFT STORE VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR: BONNIE KELLEY

Bonnie makes every visit to the Thrift Store memorable for our guests. She is one of the cheeriest people we know and makes everyone feel welcome. Bonnie comes in several times a week to help organize the store and put our merchandise while creating gorgeous displays and helping people spend money to support the animals. We're so grateful to Bonnie for her service - to our two-legged and four-legged friends.



2025 COMMUNITY EVENTS VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR: MEGHAN LEWIS AND FRANK ELSWICK

When Meghan and Frank joined the OCHS volunteer family, we had no idea how much they would contribute to the organization and the animals! These two say “yes” to help in so many ways. They volunteer at the Thrift Store, Paw-liday Store, estate sales, community events, and the shelter while also supporting OCHS dogs who have transferred to a local sanctuary. In 2025, Frank led the volunteer teams that painted and updated the vet clinic and later painted the parking lots at three locations. He's able to fix almost anything while Meghan takes care of the lobby at the shelter greeting visitors and answering the phones. For being retired, they're DOG gone busy!



230 Active Volunteers
28,917 Volunteer Hours Contributed
Equivalent to 14 full-time positions.

HAPPY TAILS

ASTER (NOW SHASTA)

When Aster arrived at OCHS, she was a tiny neonatal kitten struggling to gain weight. She and her brother Cody were placed in foster care, where Cody grew just as a healthy kitten should. Aster, however, continued to struggle and wasn't thriving despite everyone's best efforts.

When she returned to the shelter for additional care, a young volunteer named Olive was immediately drawn to the sweet little kitten. Olive visited often, providing Aster with the one-on-one attention, comfort, and encouragement she needed. A special bond quickly formed between them.

When Aster was finally big enough to go home, there was no question where she belonged. She joined Olive, her family, and their dog Sampson, as a cherished member of the household. Now renamed Shasta, she spends her days being adored by her family, playing with her canine sibling, and soaking up all the love and attention she can get. Thanks to Olive, Shasta grew from a fragile kitten into a beloved family companion. Her story is a reminder of the incredible impact that kindness, patience, and unconditional love can have on a life.



BUCKIE



Buckie arrived at OCHS during a difficult chapter in his guardian's life. Faced with a terminal illness diagnosis, she made the heartbreaking decision to seek help for the dog she loved so dearly. While she could barely care for herself, she wanted to ensure Buckie would be safe, comfortable, and loved.

This super senior arrived with a long list of medical needs. He needed to be neutered, underwent an extensive dental procedure that resulted in the loss of 13 teeth, and suffered from hip pain that gave him the most endearing little prance when he walked. Thanks to the care provided by the OCHS Veterinary Clinic, Buckie received the treatment he needed to feel his best.

Once he was ready for adoption, Buckie found exactly the right home—a family we adore for their dedication to giving small senior dogs with medical needs a second chance. Today, Buckie is living his best life, surrounded by both two-legged and four-legged family members who are completely charmed by his personality and antics.

His story is exactly what we hope for every animal in our care: a soft landing, a loving family, and the opportunity to enjoy their golden years surrounded by comfort and affection.

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

OCHS Thrift Store

The OCHS Thrift Store is our biggest daily revenue stream for the animals in our care. Over the last few years, we've doubled sales thanks to faithful shoppers, incredible donations, and an exceptional team of employees and volunteers. Countless cats who've "worked" at the store for the day have found homes, with some of them even quitting their Cat Manager position in the middle of a shift to go home with their new families!

Because the store is volunteer-powered, it's able to support our organization in incredible ways. Visitors to the building often don't know about OCHS and our volunteers are eager to share all about our mission and how their purchases help animals. The store has become a destination shopping experience for anyone visiting Florence. We're so grateful to our team, donors, and shoppers who make the OCHS Thrift Store so successful.



A PLAN FOR MY PETS™

Have you made a plan for your pets yet?

When you're planning your estate, don't forget to think about your beloved pets. We created A Plan for My Pets™ to guarantee care for your animals in case you're separated by death or disability. It's the best gift we can give to our furry family members.

Contact Elizabeth Thompson at 541-915-8619 (call/text) or email exec.director@oregoncoasthumanesociety.org if you'd like to enroll in this special program.

Estate Sales

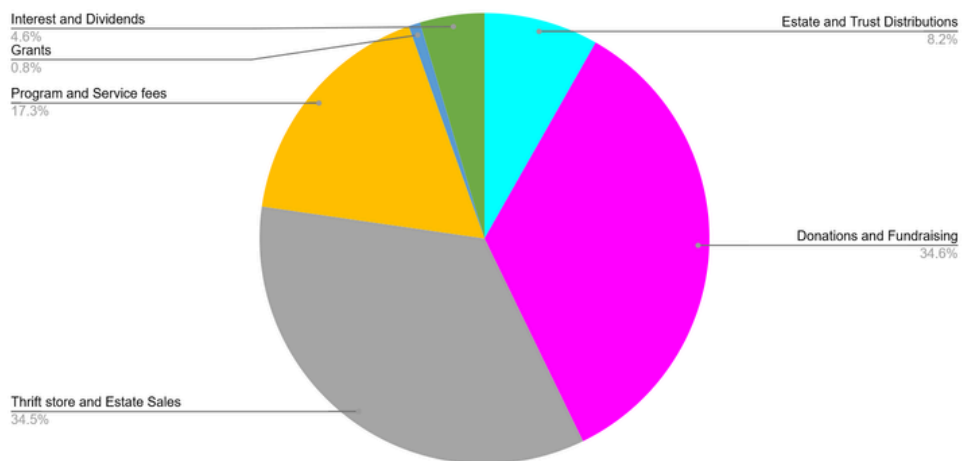
It's an honor to assist your family in planning an estate sale. Our volunteer-powered team will sell your family's treasures and leave the house empty, clean, and ready to sell. Contact Valerie Swensrud at 512-659-5208 to learn more.

FINANCIALS

Revenue

Estate and Trust	\$ 103,538.00
Donations and Fundraising	\$ 434,833.00
Thrift store and Estate Sales	\$ 433,842.00
Program and Services	\$ 217,167.00
Grants	\$ 10,500.00
Interest and Dividends	\$ 58,407.00

Total Revenue **\$ 1,258,287.00**

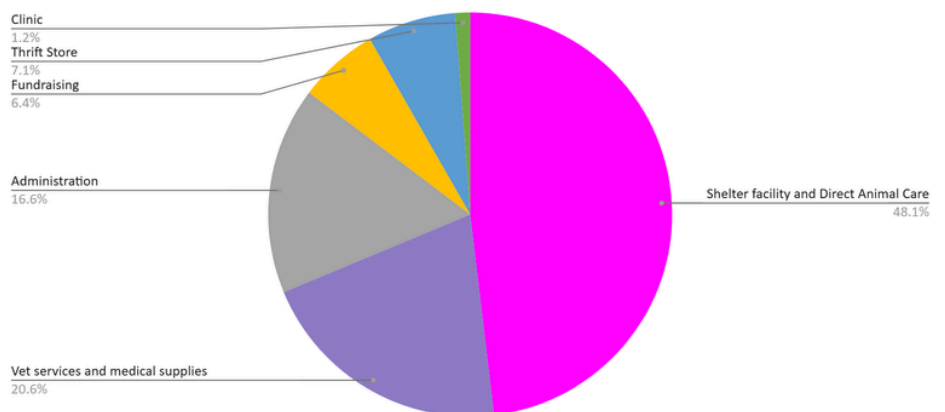


Expenses

Shelter facility and direct animal care	\$ 565,240.00
Veterinary services and medical supplies	\$ 242,057.00
Administration	\$ 194,829.00
Fundraising	\$ 75,517.00
Thrift store and Estate sales	\$ 83,082.00
Clinic	\$ 14,116.00

Total Expenses **\$ 1,174,841.00**

Net Operating Revenue **\$ 83,446.00**



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Major Capital Expense 2025

Clinic Building and Equipment	\$ 691,553.00
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Financial position Year End 2025

Current Assets (mainly cash)	\$ 1,394,604.00
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Fixed Assets (Buildings and Equipment)	\$ 1,739,711.00
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Total Assets	\$ 3,134,315.00
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Liabilities	\$ 38,309.00
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Equity	\$ 3,096,006.00
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Total liabilities and Equity	\$ 3,134,315.00
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A Farewell Letter from Our Board Treasurer Cynthia

Numbers are easy, the problem is words.

As a lifelong “numbers person”, I am very aware that words like “math” “budgets” “financials” are enough to instill panic in many. A Board Treasurer for sure deals with lots of numbers. But the level of math is no more than everyone uses every day without even realizing. Similarly, who doesn’t run a household budget or attend to their personal finances? The role of treasurer is far more about pattern recognition and making comparisons than calculus. It is also about ideas. Everyone loves ideas.

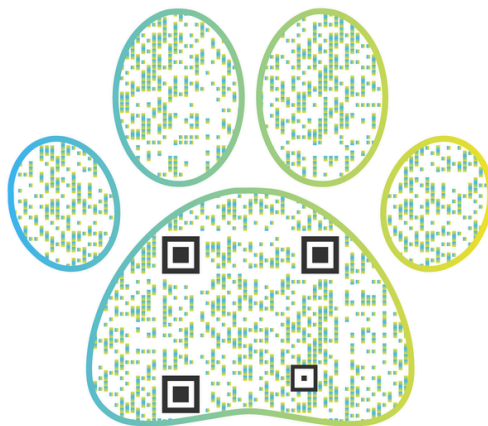
When I joined the OCHS board 3½ years ago I saw that my skill set could be put to good use. I had some ideas for tracking and presenting the numbers in a way that is hopefully transparent and easy to understand. I had ideas for prudent investments of our capital. My greatest wish that we open a community clinic has been realized way sooner than I could have dreamed. While I will stay on the finance committee to help out as needed, at the Board level, as we contemplate the new pipeline of projects, it is time for new ideas.

To my esteemed Board colleagues and our indomitable ED, thank you, it’s been a pleasure. I very much look forward to working with the new board.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 3-5 Art Estate Sale @ Vintage House, and Yard Sale at Thrift Store
- July 7 & 21 Florence Farmers Market
- July 17-18 Estate Sale, stay tuned for more details
- July 31- August 1 Estate Sale, stay tuned for more details
- August 4 & 18 Florence Farmers Market
- August 15 Volunteer and Member Picnic @ Woahink
- August 27 Ribbon Cutting at Vet Clinic
- September 1, 8 & 22 Florence Farmers Market
- September 19 Rubberduck Round up
- September TBD Presidents Club
- October 6 Florence Farmers Market
- December 31 Black Cat Ball



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