

10 Years *OF* Overcoming



GREATER BIRMINGHAM
HUMANE SOCIETY



Stella when she arrived at GBHS on 9/12/2019.
Cover Photo: Stella today.

WAYS TO GIVE

✉ Mail-In by using the enclosed reply envelope

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📱 Text GBHS to 243725

☎ Call 205-397-8537

WAYS TO SERVE



Volunteer visit gbhs.org/volunteer



Adopt visit gbhs.org/adoptable-pets



Foster visit gbhs.org/communitycare



Our mission is to rescue. Our dream is that one day we won't have to.

You have brought our animals so far. This summer, GBHS was invited to present at an invitation-only meeting for the Association for Animal Welfare Advancement's Summer Conference in Chicago. GBHS gave a 10-year Annual Report showing how your donations have dramatically improved outcomes for animals in our community.

Overcomers

Nobody thought a shelter in our state could achieve the gains we have - but your support has shown we can make positive change for animals.

Your giving is the reason.

A RECORD NUMBER OF ANIMALS SERVED AND DECREASED INTAKE

- **140,000** abused, lost, and neglected animals received rescue, response, and veterinary care 24/7
- **30% overall decreased intake** as a result of aggressive TNVR, reclaim, and surrender prevention programs



THE LARGEST TRAP, NEUTER, VACCINATE & RETURN PROGRAM IN ALABAMA

- **8,000+** cats spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and returned to their communities
- **41% increase** in feline live release rate



CRITICAL SUPPORT FOR RURAL SHELTERS AND RESCUE PARTNERS

- GBHS is now a regional shelter with a 7,500-sf warehouse that provides pet food, supplies, and medicines to multiple county impoundment facilities, rural and local rescues, and pet owners at risk of losing their pets.

RECORD BREAKING NUMBER OF SPAY/NEUTER SURGERIES

- **50,000+** spay/neuter surgeries performed at the GBHS hospital; **62,000 total spay/neuter surgeries** since 2012.
- **900+** Auburn and Tuskegee vet students trained
- **80+** rescues served on average annually, and approximately **8,000 pet owners** provided veterinary care and spay/neuter surgery

80,795 ADOPTIONS

RECORD TRANSPORTS

- **9,053** lives saved. 342 transport trips
- **77,000 average miles** driven each year by volunteers
- **\$199** average cost per pet
- **\$664,000** - cost of gas, vehicles, and vehicle maintenance
- **2 transports in 2012 to 85 per year today**



THE LARGEST DISASTER/CRISIS RESPONSE UNIT IN THE SOUTHEAST

- We sit on the county EMA board and respond to natural and manmade disasters. GBHS provides: an EMA Vet Trailer; Trained Field Personnel; Supplies and Medicines for Dislocated Pet Owners, Shelters, and Rescues; Evacuation of all Pets; Crime Scene Processing; Investigation Assistance; Vet Care; and Expert Testimony.
- **11** hurricane responses and the evacuation of more than **570** animals
- **50+** hurricane impacted shelters and rescues assisted
- GBHS served **235** pets, **521** pet owners, and **70** shelters impacted by tornadoes and wind

57% INCREASE IN LIVE RELEASE RATE



19,000+ PETS KEPT WITH THEIR OWNERS

Thanks to your generous support, animals and pet owners are receiving the critical care they need every single day.

Thank you, from all of us at the Greater Birmingham Humane Society.