

Your Giving at Work



WITH YOUR SUPPORT THIS PAST YEAR, 4,050 HUMANE SOCIETY OF WEST MICHIGAN ANIMALS HAVE BEEN ADOPTED INTO LOVING FOREVER HOMES. TWO OF THESE FORTUNATE ANIMALS ARE AURORA & THURMON.

Beautiful Aurora is a five-year-old mixed breed who came to HSWM as a transfer from Clarksdale, Mississippi. Along with other dogs and puppies in need, Aurora traveled several states and more than 10 hours for a chance at a forever home in our community.

Aurora had been in and out of shelters for nearly nine months. Like many animals, she struggled with the shelter environment. The noise, the busyness of people in the kennels and not having a place to call home made her stressed and anxious.

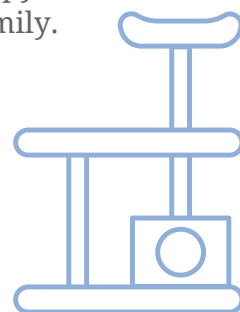
When customers looked at Aurora, they saw an animal in emotional distress – which hindered her from being adopted. Finally, after being in and out of shelters since December 2017, Aurora found her forever family in September, with a family in West Michigan.

Thurmon, an amazing one-year-old domestic shorthair cat, was found as a stray in a small apartment complex.

A kind resident who fed Thurmon brought him in one day with an eye injury. It didn't take long for us to recognize Thurmon was in deep pain. It was identified that his eye was horribly infected and needed to be removed.

During the four months Thurmon called HSWM his home, volunteers and staff fell in love with him and his easy going personality. Through his many medical procedures Thurmon was still a happy, loving cat who found his forever family.

Together,
we make a difference.



Annual Report

2017 – 2018





Lifesaving Made Possible Because of You!

It's with a grateful heart I thank all of you who support our collective vision in creating a more compassionate world for animals. It's because of you that lives are being saved!



Trudy Ender
Executive Director

Vision and Mission

To build a more compassionate community where animals are given the care they deserve and to promote the humane treatment and responsible care of animals in West Michigan through education, example, placement, and protection.



Granny & Ruby
Adopted, October 2018

Animal Impact Stats

4,050

Animals Adopted



1,676



2,172



202
(other)

ANIMALS ADMITTED: **4,904 Total**



2,071



2,609



224
(other)

SPAYS & NEUTERS: **405 Total***



172



196



37
(other)

HUMANE EDUCATION: **2,752 Individuals**

Children & adults learn compassion, responsible pet care, and animal safety through outreach and on-site programming including presentations, school visits, camps, clubs, and tours.

School Presentations: **1,902** | Camps: **300** | Other: **550**

BEHAVIOR ASSISTANCE: **421**

Includes obedience classes, one-on-one counseling, and seminars to provide support for adopters and others in the community.

Classes: **225** | Consults: **189** | Seminars: **7**

*Decrease in spay & neuters in fiscal year 17-18 due to limited service providers.

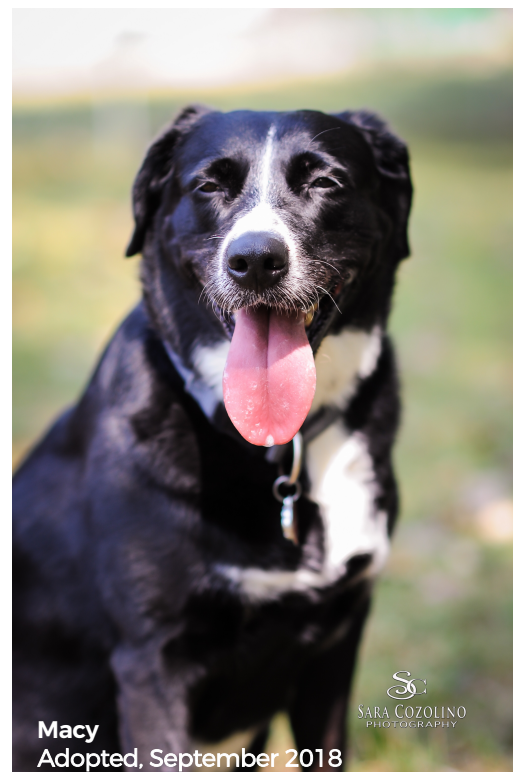
Pet Care Assistance Program

To help keep beloved pets in their homes, we offer reduced cost vaccines and a pet food bank to low income pet owners in the community.

VACCINE CLINICS:
454 animals

KIBBLE KONNECTION:
118 active clients
198 animals

11,783 pounds of food per year



Macy
Adopted, September 2018

HSWM Volunteers

The care and love we provide to our animals could not be achieved without the critical help from our volunteers.

15,851

Volunteer Hours

It would take an additional **8 full-time staff** members to perform all the work done by our awesome volunteers!

225

Shelter Volunteers

Staff to Volunteer
Ratio of 1:8

Euthanasia

HSWM does not euthanize animals for time or space. Humane euthanasia is performed for severe medical reasons or animals who are behaviorally unsafe to adopt. HSWM offers affordable euthanasia services to pet owners in the community to assist them through the difficult process of saying goodbye to a beloved pet.

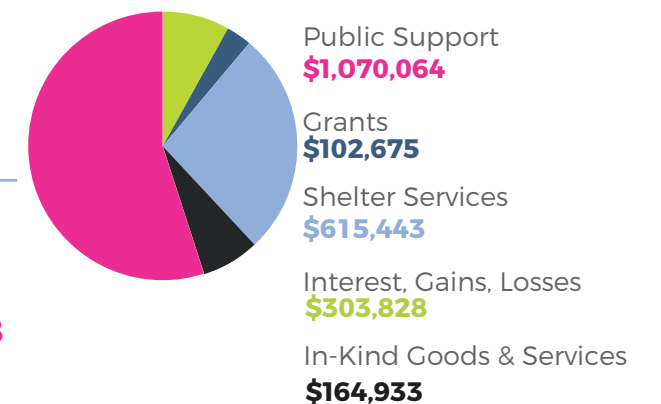
OWNER REQUESTED: **434**
MEDICAL REASONS: **114**
BEHAVIORAL REASONS: **130**

Financial Stats

HSWM is **100% donor funded** — we don't receive funding from the government or rely on funding from national animal welfare organizations.

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REVENUE: **\$2,256,943**



EXPENSES: **\$2,138,426**

