



ROCHESTER HOPE FOR PETS

2018 Annual Report



"I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH HOW MUCH THIS AWARD MEANT TO ME, PERSONALLY. TO HAVE SUCH A KINDNESS EXTENDED WHEN I WAS JUST BESIDE MYSELF WITH WORRY NOT ONLY HELPED FINANCIALLY BUT GAVE ME THE FEELING THAT EVERYTHING REALLY WOULD BE OKAY."

Mission:

ROCHESTER HOPE FOR PETS' MISSION IS THREEFOLD: IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ROCHESTER AREA COMPANION ANIMALS BY PROVIDING GRANTS FOR VETERINARY CARE TO PETS WHOSE OWNERS ARE IN TIMES OF NEED; ASSISTING VETERINARY HEALTH TEAMS WITH CONTINUING EDUCATION, RESEARCH, AND NEW TECHNOLOGY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COMPANION ANIMAL CARE; AND PROVIDING SUPPORT TO ANIMAL-RELATED NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WHOSE MISSIONS SUPPORT HOMELESS ANIMALS IN NEED.

History:

IN 2008, A JACK RUSSELL TERRIER WAS PICKED UP BY ANIMAL CONTROL IN ROCHESTER, NY. DESPITE HER POOR CONDITION, THE LITTLE TERRIER'S SPUNK AND VIGOR INSPIRED THE VETERINARIANS AND STAFF AT THE ANIMAL HOSPITAL OF PITTSFORD, WHO DONATED THE CARE AND SERVICES NEEDED TO HEAL THE DOG AND GIVE HER A SECOND CHANCE AT LIFE. THE HOSPITAL STAFF DUBBED THE LITTLE DOG "HOPE," AND HELPED HER FIND A HOME ONCE SHE WAS HEALTHY. HER SUCCESS STORY INSPIRED THE SHAREHOLDERS OF MONROE VETERINARY ASSOCIATES TO ENVISION A FOUNDATION THAT COULD ASSIST OTHER PETS IN THE ROCHESTER AREA. THIS VISION WAS REALIZED WITH THE CREATION OF THE MVA HOPE FOUNDATION IN 2008. IN 2012, THE ORGANIZATION WAS RENAMED ROCHESTER HOPE FOR PETS.

Wyatt's Tail of Hope:



BECKY AND HER HUSBAND ADOPTED WYATT FROM A LOCAL SHELTER WHEN HE WAS JUST A KITTEN. THIS FALL, HE SNUCK OUTSIDE AND CAME BACK WITH AN INJURY ON HIS FOOT. IT BECAME INFECTED, AND EVEN WITH ANTIBIOTICS, IT JUST WOULDN'T HEAL. AN X-RAY REVEALED THAT WYATT HAD DEVELOPED OSTEOMYELITIS – THE INFECTION HAD SPREAD TO THE BONE. WYATT, ALWAYS A SWEET, LOVING CAT, WAS IN SO MUCH PAIN. ON TOP OF THIS, BECKY'S HUSBAND HAD RECENTLY SUFFERED A STROKE AND NOW REQUIRED AROUND-THE-CLOCK CARE. THEY WENT FROM TWO INCOMES TO JUST ONE, AND WERE STRUGGLING TO KEEP UP WITH THE MOUNTING VET BILLS. WHEN THEIR VET TOLD THEM WYATT NEEDED TO HAVE THE INFECTED TOE AMPUTATED, BECKY DIDN'T KNOW HOW

SHE WAS GOING TO PAY. SHE APPLIED TO ROCHESTER HOPE FOR PETS, AND BECAUSE OF YOUR DONATIONS, WE WERE ABLE TO HELP BECKY PAY FOR WYATT'S SURGERY. TODAY, HE'S RUNNING AROUND AND ACTING LIKE A KITTEN AGAIN – THE VET SAYS HE'LL MAKE A FULL RECOVERY. BECKY SAYS, "THANK YOU FOR THE BEST CHRISTMAS GIFT I COULD HAVE GOTTEN...MY KITTY IS FEELING BETTER AGAIN! I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER THE GENEROSITY OF THE PEOPLE WHO DONATED TO MAKE THIS POSSIBLE!"

PROGRAMS IN 2018

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PETS RECEIVED NEEDED VETERINARY CARE BECAUSE OF YOUR DONATIONS.

AWARDS FOR VETERINARY CARE WERE USED AT **49** LOCAL HOSPITALS, AND TOTALED **\$100,276**.

487

FERAL CATS WERE SPAYED/NEUTERED, VACCINATED, AND RETURNED TO THEIR HABITAT, IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF ROCHESTER AREA NEIGHBORHOOD CATS AND PREVENTING OVERPOPULATION.

- **70** AT CANANDAIGUA VETERINARY HOSPITAL
- **349** AT ROCHESTER COMMUNITY ANIMAL CLINIC THROUGH MISSY'S FUND
- **68** AT ROCHESTER COMMUNITY ANIMAL CLINIC THROUGH A LOCAL VETERINARY TECHNICIAN TEACHING PARTNERSHIP

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DOGS AND CATS FROM LOW-INCOME AND MILITARY FAMILIES WERE SPAYED/NEUTERED THROUGH SPAY IT FORWARD.

- DID YOU KNOW THAT ONE CAT OR DOG CAN HAVE UP TO 150 OFFSPRING IN HER LIFETIME?

\$13,504

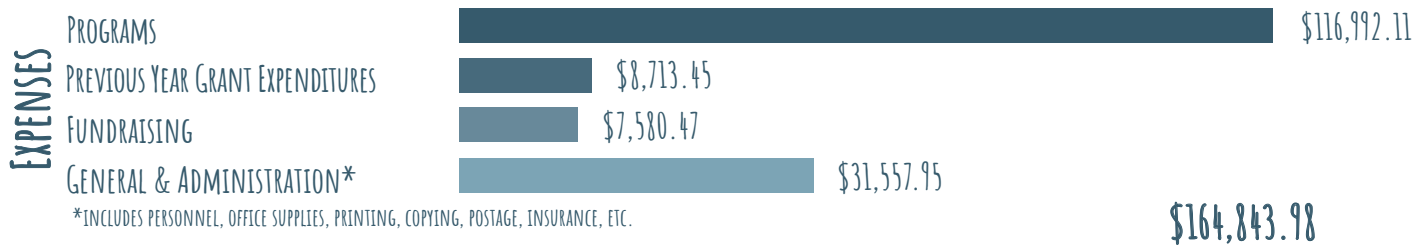
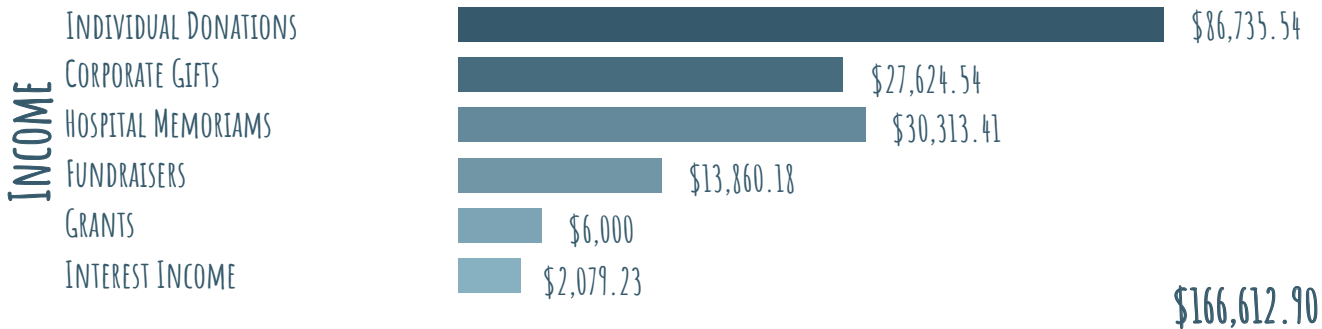
AWARDED FROM DUNCAN'S FUND FOR VETERINARY EDUCATION.

- THESE AWARDS WERE USED TO PROVIDE **2,669** HOURS OF CONTINUING EDUCATION TO VETERINARY PROFESSIONALS, HOST BOARD CERTIFIED SPECIALISTS IN VETERINARY ANESTHESIA/ANALGESIA AND DENTISTRY TO PROVIDE ADVANCED EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES, PURCHASE REFERENCE LITERATURE FOR LOCAL VETERINARY HOSPITALS, CREATE A COMFORT ROOM AT VETERINARY SPECIALISTS & EMERGENCY SERVICES, AND BUY SUPPLIES FOR A CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM FOR YOUTH.



Income and Expenses Summary:

JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER 2018



2018 Board Members:

- PRESIDENT: TODD WIHLEN, DVM
- SECRETARY/TREASURER: AMY LAUKAITIS, MHA
- MEMBER: PAUL BLACK, DVM

THANK YOU TO EVERY INDIVIDUAL, COMPANY, AND FOUNDATION WHO GAVE HOPE TO ROCHESTER AREA ANIMALS THIS YEAR. YOUR GENEROSITY AND COMMITMENT HAS CHANGED THE LIVES OF HUNDREDS OF ANIMALS AND THE PEOPLE WHO LOVE THEM.

