

MUTTVILLE

senior dog rescue

2019 GRATITUDE REPORT

NOW MORE THAN EVER!

Thanks to you, the momentum continues! This year we rescued an all-time record

number of dogs and reached more people than ever before. We were invited to share our innovations to an

1095

international audience at the Humane Society of the United States annual expo. We made exciting advances in our ability to care for the dogs. We hosted our first-ever professional symposium.

This is the third consecutive year in a row that we've rescued over a thousand dogs. As the Bay Area is increasingly assaulted by natural and man-made catastrophe, you are needed more than ever and your impact has never been more poweful. You have stepped in to save animals at risk from fires, floods, and homelessness and give them better lives.

I hope you'll see here what a difference you make. As you'll see in some of the stories here, when you save a senior dog's life, you are truly bringing love and joy to the world.

With wags and thanks,

Shero-Frankle

Sherri Franklin CEO, MUTTVILLE



At top, Kramer now. Above, Kramer on arrival.

NEW SURGERY ROOM

This year we opened a brand new sterile surgery room, allowing us to save time and money and reduce suffering. Divine, a nineyear-old cattle dog mix, is a great example. When she arrived, we noticed that she had

a distended abdomen. An ultrasound revealed an abdominal



mass. We sent her to a local hospital, but during the procedure they discovered removal was trickier than anticipated, suggested Divine see a surgical specialist, and sent her back to us. Luckily, our new surgery room, made possible by a generous donor, had just opened! We reached out to Dr.

Lauren Park, DVM, an experienced and talented surgeon at the San Francisco SPCA's spay/neuter clinic. Within 30

minutes of anesthesia. Dr. Park had successfully removed the tumor and Divine was in recovery. Soon Divine was welcomed into a loving forever home! Since the room opened in August, our team, with our veterinary partners and volunteers, performed 43 in-house

surgeries and 20 in-house dental surgeries. More happy, healthy second chances!

volunteer hours in the veterinary suite, including **395 from** veterinarians.

BEAST • Best Shelter & Rescue

OF THE • Best Canine Cause

BAY • Best Humane Organization or Shelter

AWARDS • Best Online Adoption Site



MUTTVILLE AT HUMANE SOCIETY EXPO

We have been extraordinarily successful – uniquely so – in finding homes for dogs previously considered unadoptable. So many shelter professionals are interested in our achievements that we were invited to address an international audience at the annual convention of the



Humane Society of the United States, the HSUS Expo. Founder Sherri Franklin and COO Laurie Routhier spoke on "Placing the Unplaceable," discussing some of our innovative approaches to

rescuing, sheltering, and finding loving homes for our dogs.

volunteer hours in Muttville HO

We're honored to have been invited to speak again in 2020.

We love the reports we get from our adopters! Some excerpts:

"This is a long-overdue note to tell you how much we love Tolga. His infectious smile and signature welcome hugs make my day!"

"Moonshine is literally the best dog ever. He is the perfect fit for me and is loving his new home."

"This little guy (Norman) is full of personality and is bilingual in English & Spanish! He went through a lot in his earlier years but now he is spoiled and we just LOVE him!"

"I really didn't know how much love and happiness Ned would bring me. I'm thankful every day for finding Ned and I thank you for making that possible."



WHERE THE DOGS COME FROM

Northern

California

11%

20%

East Bay

22%

kids learning

humane care

San Francisco

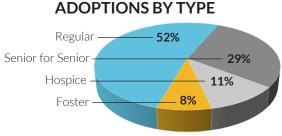
THE HUMANE SOCIETY

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

In November, we hosted our first-ever symposium for veterinary professionals, a day-long event about hospice care for senior animals. The event, accredited by the Registry of Approved Continuing

senior lives brightened by Muttville senior dogs

Education (RACE), was so well-received that attendees asked that it be an annual event.



When a senior citizen adopts a senior dog, it's part of our Seniors for Seniors program. When a terminally ill dog is adopted, it's a hospice adoption. When a foster family decides to keep their foster dog, it's a "foster adoption" - formerly known as "foster fail," but we think of it as "foster success!"

BOSTON-MANIA!

A surprise invasion came to us in July when 38 Boston terriers - our first and our most -arrived all at once! Every single Boston found a wonderful home within weeks!













