

#### 2021 Annual Gratitude Report

## Thank you for a wonderful year!

So much good news. Despite pandemic regulations, you made it possible to save 1,073 senior dogs! Regulations eased a bit, and we even started to hold (outdoors only) adoption events.

You are making an impact during a uniquely difficult time. When illness and economic hardship forces people out of their homes, they face heartbreak - what to do about their beloved dog? Imagine the despair when it seems your only choice is euthanasia. What a gift (your gift!) to be able to give these dogs a second chance and to tell their families they are happy and well!

Muttville mutts brought companionship when sorely needed. Seniors especially suffer in isolation, and mutts came to the rescue with our Seniors for Seniors programs. Cuddle Club, our senior citizen and senior mutt hangout, was able to add some in-person events. And 34% of our adoptions went to seniors!

I learn so much from our dogs. Many come from difficult backgrounds hoarding situations, neglect, abuse - and it is thrilling to be able to give them a second chance. I see dogs who lived for years in pain and fear come to Muttville and blossom, and I think - if they can bounce back, then we certainly can, too!

Thank you for loving the mutts!



Sherri Franklin **CEO.** Muttville



## It's good to be back!

Many of our adoptions and meet-andgreets are still virtual, but one of the happiest parts of 2021 was that - slowly, carefully, safely - we could start to open up again! Adoption events restarted and volunteers trickled in. It just doesn't seem like Muttville without people in yellow aprons and many, many dogs underfoot!

# I,U/3 dogs rescued in 2021

#### Home is where the mutt is

In 2021, adoptions increased 17.4% over 2020. Other than regular adoptions, the biggest category was senior-to-senior adoptions. 313 senior dogs found wonderful homes with senior citizens, providing companionship and love to those most at risk of loneliness and isolation.



Hospice

Foster win



Swiffer believes in love at first sight!

# Love will keep us together

Love, Muttville, and you! For reasons unknown, more bonded pairs came to Muttville in 2021 than ever before. Unless they turn out not to care (it happens!) we make sure to keep them together.





221 FOSTER FAMILIES

265 HUMANE EDUCATION **STUDENTS** 

1,537 MUTT **GUARDIANS\*** 

\*Mutt Guardians, our monthly sustaining donors, live in 39 states and five countries!

# Double the fun!

Is it more difficult to find a home for a bonded pair? Yes. Is it worth it? Yes! Just ask Maya, Charley and Tuck!





# **Forever home** update

In May we announced big news - our new forever home! Since then, it's been all about infrastructure water, HVAC, solar, the works. Groundbreaking in 2022! See more at foreverhome. muttville.org.



# Thank you, volunteers!

Volunteers make Muttville run. Thank you to the many people who give their expertise and time to Muttville.

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Below. Dr. Walter Lin. a human microsurgeon, volunteered his services to assist our own Dr. Lauren Park in removing two huge masses from our boy Fenton (both are pictured below). Good news for Fenton fans: his foster family fell in love

and made it official!



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