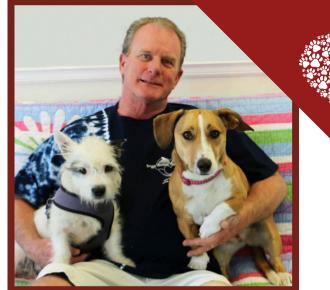


Message from the President

It has been a difficult time throughout the world and we are especially grateful for your support. Despite the COVID-19 Pandemic and all its sadness, your support brought hope to many people and animals by enabling us—through our program services—to:



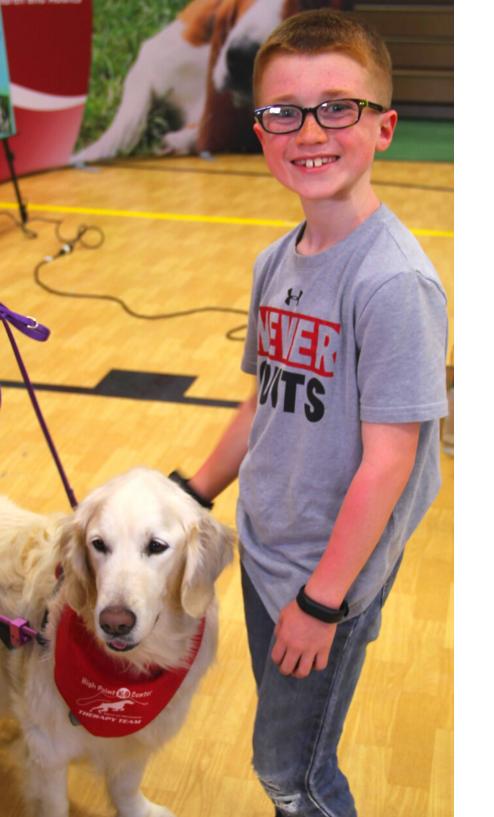
- Welcome 6,990 visitors from 15 states and Washington, D. C. to the NHES campus
- Spread our humane message of treating animals with kindness and respect to 7,117 students and thousands more through downloadable information and lesson plans from our website.
- Feed, rescue, rehabilitate, place in quality adoptive homes, spay/neuter, microchip or otherwise play a role in helping 9,531 cats and dogs, and 234 sea turtles.

When COVID-19 becomes a part of our past, I invite you to come visit and take a tour of the NHES campus so that you can see for yourself how your donations are being put to work to improve the lives of homeless animals and thereby create a more humane world.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers and most important—the animals that we serve—WE THANK YOU!

Jim Taylor

President



Our mission is "to foster a sentiment of kindness to animals in children and adults."

Humane Education & Advocacy Program

In 1954, Alice Morgan Wright, NHES board member wrote of NHES, "In 1948 we incorporated, a small group of us, to carry on what we think is one of the urgent needs of our time, Humane Education." Today, this urgent need is still with us, and NHES Humane Education & Advocacy Program is doing its part to meet this need by providing humane education services to help bring about the creation of a more humane world.

The NHES Humane Education Team (Education Team) presented its "Kindness in the Classroom" program to elementary students. This engaging program consists of stories, real-life scenarios, videos, and games to help teach children ways to be kind, responsible, and safe with all the animals they meet.

Children learn
about the
importance of
vet care and the
role of animal
control officers
through a dressup game.





A student learns how to meet a dog safely with NHES' shelter ambassador dog, Avis. A participating therapy dog handler at a school in Virginia had this to say about the "Kindness in the Classroom" program: "I was invited, along with my therapy dog Seville, by the NHES to participate on two different occasions when they did presentations at two elementary schools this past Winter. Megan and Hayley were awesome at engaging the children and keeping them interested in the program. I could tell that the children learned a lot from each session. I would highly recommend trying to get on their calendar to do a presentation at schools or other events. It's so important for children, and adults too for that matter, to learn the proper way to treat animals, and take care of them. And what to do if they see a problem. A fantastic program! This group does wonderful work!"





HERE ARE JUST A FEW TESTIMONIALS OF HOW NHES' PROGRAMS, MADE POSSIBLE BY DONORS, ARE MAKING AN IMPACT AND CREATING A KINDER WORLD FOR ANIMALS!







EVEN IN THE MIDST OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, WHICH RESULTED IN SCHOOL CLOSURES, THE EDUCATION TEAM WAS STILL ABLE TO PROVIDE, IN-PERSON, HUMANE EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS TO 7,117 STUDENTS IN 5 STATES--DELAWARE, MARYLAND, VIRGINIA, WEST VIRGINIA, AND OHIO--AND REACH THOUSANDS MORE THROUGH THE WEB.





"Dear Friends of NHES,

As an elementary school counselor in Jefferson County, WV, I have had the privilege of working with your Humane Education program for many years. Megan Hessenberger and Hayley Miller have so graciously provided our schools with their important programing that teaches children lessons of safety and kindness toward animals.

During this unusual school year that ended with the pandemic, I was even able to share a video virtually with my students that was made by the education team. The students who watched it loved it!"

Kind Regards, Mary Brittingham, LPC, NCC School Counselor for Blue Ridge Campus

One school counselor wrote, "NHES is simply fabulous! Not only do they have these sweet animals as a priority, they work so well with the community. Year after year they have participated in a Career Day Program at the school where I work. This year, with our Career Day being cancelled due to COVID, they provided a video presentation to share with the students. They go above and beyond to share information with the community and foster a caring attitude toward animals."

Leslie Slover, School Counselor Wright Denny Intermediate Charles Town, WV In addition to its "Kindness in the Classroom" program, the Education Team hosts three sessions of its Cool To Care summer camp on the grounds of the NHES Campus located in Charles Town, WV. This camp is highly sought after by many families because it gives children and youth the opportunity to socialize with cats, kittens, puppies, and dogs from NHES' flagship animal care facility, The Briggs Animal Adoption Center, while learning invaluable lessons that will help prepare them to become responsible citizens.





This young camper shared, "Every camp session included fun outdoor games, movie time, and the Friday showcase. One activity that stands out was baking dog biscuits in a hot car. It demonstrated the extreme temperatures that occur in closed cars during the summer time. More importantly, it highlighted what can happen to animals left in hot cars. I miss not being at camp this summer. I can't wait to attend next year."

🔀 TAKING ACTION FOR ANIMALS 🛣



It takes the voices of many to help create change for animals. The Education Team helped keep the public informed about 73 animal welfare legislative issues happening on the local, state, and federal level through paws up or paws down articles, and monthly newsletters. Links to help the public contact their legislators were provided so that they could show their support. Here is one important issue that was highlighted:



In 2020, NHES supported the passage of SB 285, which would have eliminated greyhound racing in West Virginia. To our dismay and that of many West Virginians, SB 285 failed by a vote of 23 to 11.

West Virginia is now the only remaining state in the U.S. that subsidizes the horrific rigors and suffering that racing greyhounds experience on a daily basis. Of the two operating dog tracks in the Mountain State, over 3,000 greyhounds have suffered bone fractures, resulting in the euthanasia of over 400 dogs since 2008. These racetracks kennel over one thousand dogs at any given time, stacked in rows of cramped, wire cages, all for the sake of raking in cash for their natural ability to run.

The Education Department has been and continues to be dedicated to educating the public about the horrible abuse that occurs in the animal racing industry through articles, news alerts, and social media. While the COVID-19 crisis has thrown uncertainty into the future, West Virginia legislators intend to reintroduce SB 285 in the next legislative session. The humane educators are planning to team up with GREY2KUSA, a nonprofit organization focused on ending greyhound racing around the world, to organize public forums around the state to educate residents of West Virginia on the importance of the passage of this bill and its implications on animal welfare throughout West Virginia.

EDUCATION MATERIALS

NHES has free educational materials available to help teach about the importance of spaying and neutering, pet adoption, ways to keep your pet safe during the summer and winter months, puppy mills, factory farmed animals, and the dangers of leaving your dog tethered 24/7. These are just some of the titles available in print or digital format. Many individuals, businesses, and other animal organizations in 22 states across the United States have utilized these valuable resources in an effort to help educate the public and advocate for animal welfare.

Here is a sampling of such organizations:

- Take Me Home Pet Rescue
 - Animals Need Help of Bear Lake
- **W** Humane Society of Lincoln County
 - Mappy Tails, Inc.
- Trinity County Pet Fixers
 - **Passion for Animals, Inc**
- **Chasing Miracles Animal Rescue**
 - Great Plains Angels for Animals
- **SPCA** of Northern Nevada
 - Ohio Animal Advocates











THE BRIGGS ANIMAL ADOPTION CENTER

Located 90 miles west of Washington D.C. on NHES' 24-acre Campus, the BAAC is NHES' flagship animal care facility and one of the finest in the country. Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, our work continued as we rescued hundreds of cats and dogs from neighboring states as far away as Mississippi and Alabama. We worked tirelessly to rehabilitate these deserving animals by nurturing them back to health with love and kindness.





Veterinary Medical Staff

All rescued animals receive compassionate care from our professional medical staff, which includes a staff veterinarian, a volunteer veterinarian, a veterinary technician, and veterinary assistants.



Despite the COVID-19 pandemic's negative impact on visitation and adoptions, the BAAC still welcomed:



6,990 individuals from 15 states & Washington D.C., and



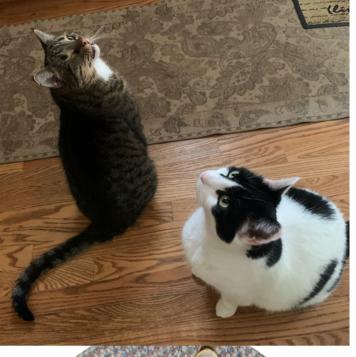
placed hundreds of cats & dogs in loving, forever homes!



Meet Tilly, one of the many animals who was rescued and survived an act of cruelty and found her forever home. Tilly had been shot and left to die along the side of the road. A good Samaritan found her and brought Tilly to BAAC where she was nursed back to health and learned to trust humans again.

"The Briggs Animal Adoption Center is filled with both staff and volunteers who clearly care for animals and always take the time and effort necessary to ensure each adoptee is placed in a caring home. This was evident from the moment I applied to adopt Tilly, to the moment she came home for the last home visit (and beyond). We were looking for a companion for our Jasper, who just so happens to be a special needs tripod as well. Tilly is a shy, easily frightened dog, so the first few weeks in the new home were mostly spent sheltering in her crate or staying close to Jasper. Although she bonded with Jasper quickly, she was guarded with any human. That slowly started to change and after a month, Tilly was climbing up the stairs and sleeping in her bed in the same room with the rest of the family. It has been a little over 5 months and the progress that Tilly has made is nothing short of remarkable!"







This unique, feline pair found their way to BAAC at different times, but found a special home together!

"Back in January of this year our family adopted 2 cats from the Briggs Animal Adoption Center (BAAC), Batman and Roger. After looking at their website I contacted them about Batman because his story was amazing and I felt he deserved a good forever home and that we could provide that. You see, Batman was dropped off at the shelter tipping the scales at 30 pounds! He had made it all the way down to 13lbs when I first saw him. The staff at BAAC were quick to respond to me and very nice to work with. We set up a meeting, and it was then that we met Roger. Batman's buddy and another special needs cat with diabetes and only one eye. Both of these cats had been at the center for a number of years, and we did not want to break them up, so we decided to adopt both. Here again the staff at BAAC were very helpful and professional in coordinating everything and going over all the details required to care for these guys, including providing full medical records for both.

These guys each have very unique and wonderful personalities and it is very gratifying to know that there are places like the BAAC that will expend the time and resources to care for special needs animals like Batman and Roger until they can find their permanent home. My family is glad they did, so thank you to everyone at the BAAC and all who support them for helping to make our home a better one."



EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY--HELPING PAWS & HANDS

The BAAC provided much-needed pet food to animal rescues and community food pantries to help rescuers and residents care for homeless animals and their beloved companions, which was especially vital in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.





A local food pantry coordinator had this to share: "Our relationship with Briggs is a vital part of our mission in feeding others with care and respect. Briggs provides our clients with the necessary pet food for their cats and dogs. ensuring that beloved family pets also receive important care during these challenging times. At a recent pantry distribution, a young boy requested pet food not for his own family but rather to care for the pet of a neighbor in need. This gesture illustrates the positive impact of Briggs' outreach within the community, and we could not be more grateful for the support of the organization."

Deanna Johnson
Program Coordinator
Christ Church Cares Food Pantry



Events



These events helped KISSING BOOTH raise crucial funds for NHES' program services. (Due to Covid-19 concerns, NHES held its 19th annual Pedal for Pooches event as a socially-distanced, staffonly ride through the beautiful West Virginia Barks n' Brews countryside.) Community Fundraiser



SPAY TODAY

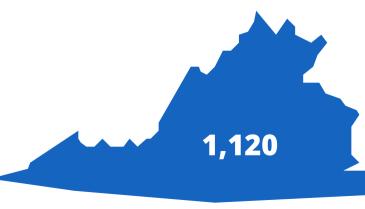
Spay Today is an invaluable program of NHES serving the community since 1994 by providing reduced-cost spay and neuter services with the help of 22 veterinary clinics and generous supporters. This past year,



Residents from 7 states and 38 counties were helped. The top 5 counties included:



- l. Berkeley County, WV
- 2. Jefferson County, WV
- 3. Hampshire County, WV



- 4. Frederick County, VA
- 5. Loudoun County, VA

3,802

animals were spayed/neutered







99 RABBITS



3 GUINEA PIGS

SPAY TODAY

Once a month, Spay Today helps local families by offering **Van Day**, when dogs and cats are transported from The Briggs Animal Adoption Center to a nearby vet clinic for reduced-cost spay and neuter procedures, then they are reunited with their families the next morning.











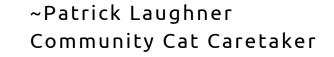
SPAY TODAY STAFF

Spay Today is staffed by employees and volunteers who answer an average of 500 phone calls each week and help coordinate approximately 4,000 spay/neuter surgeries each year.





"I had been dealing with a feral cat colony for years, and the situation was not improving. They were being fed by a neighbor but otherwise were not receiving any care. They were reproducing quickly but living short lives full of suffering and disease. The staff at Spay Today have been amazing. They did everything they could to help me defray the cost, provide traps, give me tips on how to trap the cats, and deal with the logistics of trapping, transport, and returning them to the colony. It has been a long project, but after trapping 25 cats, I finally have a stable population where every cat is fixed and living comfortably. I hope that more people in our area take advantage of the services Spay Today offers. There are numerous feral colonies in our area, and with some dedication, the problem can be solved."





Community cats pictured:

Billy Ocean, Meatloaf, & Sheila E.

ALLIANCE PARTNERSHIPS



The NHES Alliance Partnership Program works collaboratively with and provides major funding to other reputable humane organizations whose work embodies the successful implementation of NHES' 12 Guiding Principles. Here are three organizations NHES has partnered with in Fiscal Year 2020:

NETWORK FOR ENDANGERED SEA TURTLES (N.E.S.T.)

N.E.S.T. is a non-profit all-volunteer organization dedicated to the conservation and protection of endangered sea turtles and other marine wildlife on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. N.E.S.T. volunteer services include turtle rescue and rehabilitation, identifying and protecting turtle nests via ATV patrol, monitoring turtle nests and waiting for hatchlings, and educating the public.

This past year, 201 N.E.S.T. volunteers worked to protect and conserve sea turtles and marine life by:

- Providing 13,742 hours of volunteer service
- Rescuing and working to rehabilitate 317 sea turtles
- Protecting and monitoring 41 sea turtle nests



FRIENDS OF FELINES-CAPE HATTERAS ISLAND

Friends of Felines, Cape Hatteras Island (FOFHI), North Carolina, consists of a small group of dedicated volunteers who help humanely reduce the community cat population through a trap, neuter, and release (TNR) program.

This past year FOFHI:

- Sponsored two TNR community cat spay/neuter clinics
- 234 cats were spayed/neutered
- Provided direct care for approximately 100 community cats at managed care sites throughout the 7 villages on Hatteras Island.
- Helped feed an estimated 75-100 community cats
- Provided 43 medical care vouchers to help island residents with veterinary care for their cats

ALLIANCE PARTNERSHIPS





OPERATION CATNIP

Operation Catnip (OC) of Gainesville, Florida, provides clinical and surgical opportunities to future veterinarians while providing them the tools they need to continue to be advocates for animals, particularly community cats.

This past year, Operation Catnip:

- Sterilized 4,115 community cats
- Administered vaccines and medical care to cats
- Helped students from UF College of Veterinary Medicine perform 309 volunteer clinic shifts
- Helped 40 unique vet students perform spay or neuter surgeries
- Provided 66 unique vet students with service learning clinical opportunities









NHES SENDS AID TO AUSTRALIAN WILDLIFE RESCUES

Earlier this year, as the wildfires ravaged much of Australia and left its animals severely injured and homeless, NHES reached out to three Australian organizations to offer aid:

Friends of Koalas, Koalas in Care, Inc., and RSPCA of New South Wales.

All three of these organizations were, and still are, rescuing and rehabilitating koalas and other wild animals who lost their homes to these destructive fires.

It is by the generosity of NHES' supporters that we were able to reach across the seas to help animals internationally.

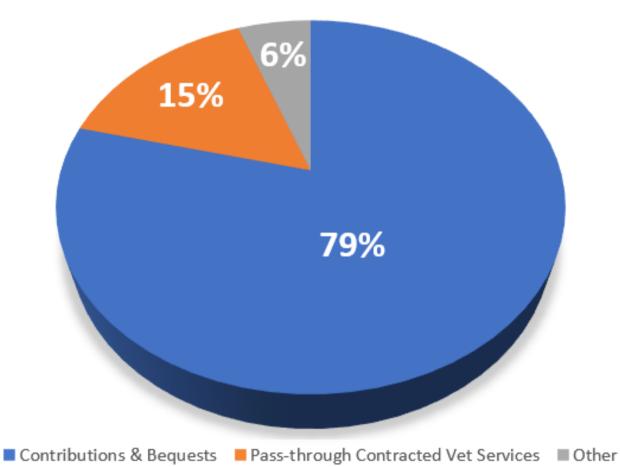
Fiscal Year 2020 Financial Review

NHES and its programs operate solely from generous supporters who are helping to create a more humane world for animals. We greatly appreciate their continued support!



FY 2020 Revenue

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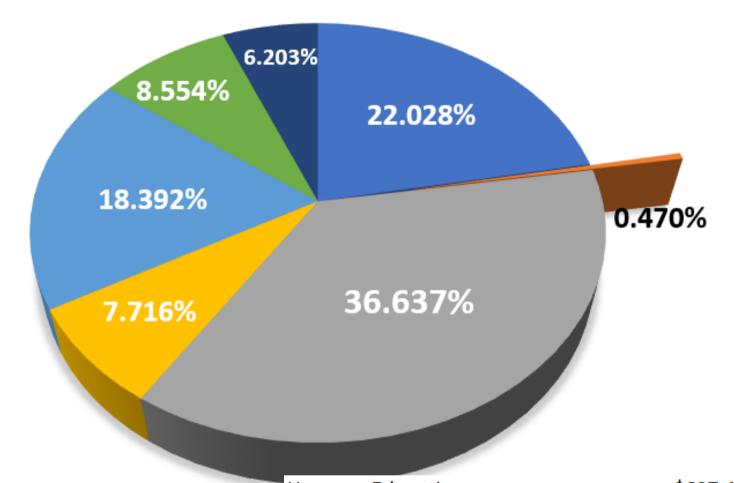


Contributions & Bequests \$2,545,951.00
Pass-through Contracted Vet Services \$498,253.00
Other \$180,975.00

Total Revenue \$3,225,179.00

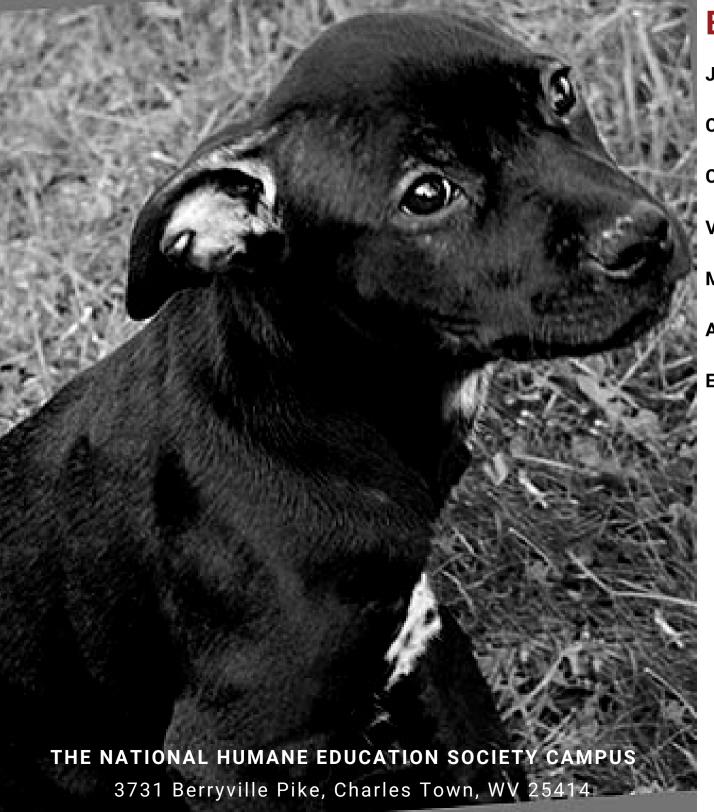
FY 2020 Expenses

How
Support
Was Used:



- Humane Education
- Alliance Partnerships/PPAS
- Briggs Animal Adoption Center
- Member Services
- Spay Today
- Management & General
- Fundraising/Member Acquisition

Total Expenses	\$3,166,405.00
Fundraising/Member Acquisition	\$196,406.00
Management & General	\$270,861.00
Total Programs	\$2,699,138.00
Spay Today	\$582,365.00
Member Services	\$244,326.00
Briggs Animal Adoption Center	\$1,160,062.00
Alliance Partnerships/PPAS	\$14,896.00
Humane Education	\$697,489.00



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