



COMMUNITY REPORT

2022

THRIVING ANIMALS,
CARING PEOPLE

LAPS

Langley Animal Protection Society



ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2022 was an exciting and successful year for LAPS. As I'm sure many of you will have noticed, our communities continue to grow. Both the Township of Langley and City of Langley have seen expansion in the number of residences and of course with that growth comes more animals and the need for animal care and welfare. We continue to be here for the residents and their animals when needed.

We are a Non-profit society and while our core funding is received from The City of Langley and the Township of Langley, for which we are very grateful, we rely on the generosity of our hundreds of donors and the donations they provide. Thank you!

Our talented staff have many years experience of providing extraordinary care for the animals in our care and of course we have numerous volunteers whose tireless work cannot go without our thanks.

Our thanks to the Thunderbird Equestrian Center where we hosted on our 15th Gala evening raising more than \$95,896.

As we look into the future it is important to recognize our role in the community grows larger as the population of animals grows year after year.

Thank you for your continued support of our Society.

Doug Sweeting





BUILDING A STRONGER COMMUNITY

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As we are embarking on our 20th Anniversary as an organization serving the people and animals of Langley, we are incredibly proud of our past accomplishments, and we are using that momentum to propel us toward an even more impactful future. We are excited about our new Strategic Plan, and our Mission of Thriving Animals, Caring People that were formulated in 2022.

We know that our community wants to see animals live their best life possible and sadly there are many animals (and people) struggling right now. We are striving to meet the needs for as many guardians and animals as possible by helping access veterinary care such as spay/neuter, and for urgent medical conditions, food banking support, surrender services and compassionate boarding for houseless pets and guardians.

Our in-shelter program had 725 animals call LAPS their temporary home. Each one received exceptional care by our dedicated team of volunteers and staff. Meeting every animal's individual needs is our goal and it takes a lot of effort, teamwork, and skill to ensure they thrive in our care while they wait to be embraced by their future family.

LAPS is unique in that we aim to look at root causes of animal suffering and provide the necessary community aid and education.

The support from our donors and volunteers is more vital than ever before as we try to expand our services to keep up with the need to safeguard families. We all know the value of our furry family members and the thought of losing them due to temporary life challenges is heartbreaking. LAPS programs make the difference to hundreds of families, and we could not thank our loyal donors who are essential to our mission.

*Sarah Jones,
Executive Director*



20 YEARS AGO ...



The DogHouse program started!

Total revenue grows to over \$623,000

LAPS was Founded by a group of volunteers

October- LAPS began proving services to the City of Langley

 2002

 2004

 2006

 2003

 2005

LAPS is registered non-profit charitable society

September - Township of Langley leased the property and facility at 2220 56th (Current Location)

October- LAPS began proving services to the Township of Langley

One of our founders, Patti Dale passed away from Cancer

Purchase of first Animal Control Officer vehicle

JOURNEY OF LAPS

Shelter invests in a comprehensive multi operating system with the acquisition of new MO software, bringing significant improvements to data management and overall operations.



LAPS has contract with both the city and the township of Langley to provide animal control services and operate the Langley Animal Control Shelter

 2007

 2009

 2008

 2011

January - Township council approved a contract with Colter Developments to build the new municipal animal shelter on the current site

Two Animal Control Officer vans purchased

October - Township council officially dedicated the new facility as the Patti Dale Animal Shelter in memory of the founding member of LAPS who passed away.

20 YEARS AGO ...

Donations & fundraising comprise 20% of total revenue, up from 8.6% back in 2004

Hard Times. No capital asset purchases; revenue down to \$1.1M

Grand Opening of the Cat Intake and Isolation facility (ISOasis)

 2012

 2016

 2018

 2014

Revenue over \$1.3M

 2017

ISO building started. It costs of \$338.5K

 2019

Total revenue is over \$1.4M

 2015

Purchase new vehicle and lawn tractor

JOURNEY OF LAPS

Donations & Fund development
comprise 41% of total
revenue

 2020

 2021

Estate gift revenue of
\$385.8K included in total
revenue over \$1.5M for
first time in LAPS history

 2022

ESTATE GIFTS OF \$481K HELP REVENUES

to go over \$1.9M and LAPS has largest
excess of revenue over expense in its
history \$197K

FURRY TAIL STORIES

On February 20, 2022, the life of this family was tragically altered as a fire ripped through their house. While all 3 cats and their owner were in the house while the fire tore through it, they were able to get out relatively unscathed. While the owner was taken to hospital, Smokey was caught by a good Samaritan that was the first on the scene. When Fire fighters arrived, they were able to administer the pet oxygen mask to help Smokey as she was in distress from the smoke inhalation.



Total Medical Cost

\$ 5.100



Days of recovery

176 DAY

FLAMES SURVIVING THE

Big and Cali had escaped the house once the door was opened but ran from the scene. LAPS placed traps throughout the area in hopes of finding the 2 cats so we could get them the medical attention they needed. 3 days later we caught both cats, they went immediately to the vet and came back in good health, but they would both need dentals to alleviate some pain they were experiencing.

Sadly, the owner had to surrender all three cats due to her circumstances, but it is commendable that she recognized the importance of ensuring that they receive the care they needed and place them in a home so they could start their next journey of their life.

THE TALE OF THREE CATS AND THEIR OWNER

A fire broke out in a family's house, all three cats and their owner survived. One cat, Smokey, was caught by a good Samaritan and given an oxygen mask by firefighters. The other two cats, Big and Cali, ran away but were later caught by LAPS and taken to the vet for dental care. The owner had to surrender all three cats due to her circumstances but ensured they received the care they needed and found a new home.





FOREVER
HOMES



MEDICAL
EXPENSES

324



LAPS
CENSUS

108K


709



SAVING LIVES

WE PRIORITIZE CARE AND SAVE LIVES:
HERE'S HOW

We are deeply dedicated to ensuring that every animal that comes to our shelter receives the utmost care and attention. To that end, **we have made a significant investment in medical treatments to address any health issues our animals may face.** Despite the obstacles we have encountered, we firmly believe that every animal deserves a safe and caring home. **It brings us great joy to know that we have been able to make a positive impact on their lives.**



OUR MISSION AT LAPS

THRIVING ANIMALS, CARING PEOPLE

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Great communication, quick response, and the rescues were definitely well cared for!

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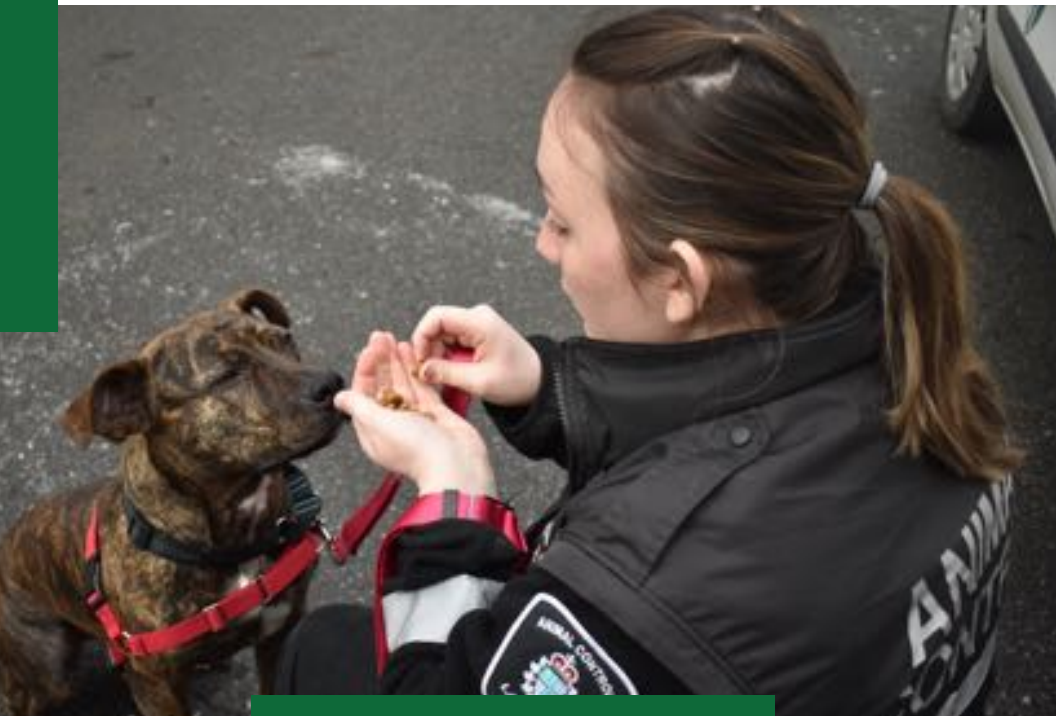
Jeevan Bansal

Google Review Dec 25, 2022

ANSWERING THE CALL: OUR COMMUNITY SERVICE EFFORTS

In 2022, we answered the call to serve with 2,333 community calls, patrolling parks for 265 hours, reuniting 341 lost pets with their families, and holding 4 pop-up park events. These efforts represent our unwavering commitment to the well-being of both animals and people in our community.

Making a difference in our community is at our core. We believe that by being proactive, we can make a lasting impact that benefits everyone, and we are proud to see the results of our hard work. As we move forward, we remain dedicated to our mission of creating a better world for all beings, and we look forward to continuing to make a difference in our community.





FINDING FOREVER HOMES: OUR ADOPTION SUCCESS

We are thrilled to share that our adoption process has been incredibly successful, and we couldn't be prouder of our efforts. In 2022, we were delighted to see 238 cats, 51 dogs, 7 chickens, and 1 bovine find loving forever homes through our adoption program. We also ensured that 1,106 dogs were licensed, which will help them find their way back home if ever lost. As part of our commitment to making the transition to a new home as smooth as possible, we were able to provide 31 first ride home services, ensuring that our furry friends arrived safely and comfortably to their new homes. This incredible success is a testament to the hard work of our staff and volunteers, as well as the support of our community, and we look forward to continuing our efforts to help even more animals find their forever homes in the years to come.

GENEROSITY IN ACTION: COMMUNITY DONATIONS

The generosity of our community has made a tremendous impact on the lives of families and animals in need. Through two of our major programs, Major's Legacy Fund and the food bank, we were able to provide crucial support to those who needed it most. Thanks to Major's Legacy Fund, we were able to provide \$17,101.55 in financial assistance to 61 families and 63 animals, with \$9,665.20 going towards emergency exams/lab tests/X-rays/wound repairs, \$5,009.01 towards dental treatments, \$1,347.90 for spays/neuters, \$658.79 for exams, deworming, and vaccination, and \$420.65 for humane euthanasia/cremation.

Additionally, we delivered 6,649 pounds of food to low-income furry families through the food bank. Without the support of our community, none of this would have been possible, and we are incredibly grateful for their ongoing generosity and compassion.



VOLUNTEERS

THE COMPASSIONATE HEARTS THAT KEEP
LAPS RUNNING.

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I continue to volunteer at LAPS because of the necessary, valuable, and fulfilling work I can do, to not only help the animals, but also help the staff. By helping staff, I am able to free up their time, to work with the animals that need them. I also continue to volunteer at LAPS because of how respected and appreciated I am. Every single time I am at the shelter, someone (often everyone) thanks me for what I am doing. And if I have a question, it isn't just brushed off, but staff will take the time to listen to the question and give me a full answer. I feel valued and appreciated. The best part, outside of being with the animals, is the people!

”

Cathy Cook, Volunteer



VOLUNTEERS

STATS THAT INSPIRE

VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS:



READING WITH CATS

Students from local elementary schools come to LAPS weekly to build their reading skills and improve their confidence while reading to our cats.



NEURODIVERSE PROGRAMS

We work with Inclusion Langley, Pacific Pathways, and Creative Options, and provide volunteer opportunities for clients in their day programs.



WORK EXPERIENCE

We work with the Langley School District and provide work experience placements for students in the Career Discoveries program and students taking a bonus year.



120

Dedicated Volunteers

927

Foster Hours

9085

Volunteer Hours



MORE!



CAT CARE



FOSTER



SHELTER
ASSISTANT



KENNEL
ASSISTANT



ENRICHMENT
VOLUNTEERS



DOG
WALKING

VOLUNTEER FORCE IMPACT



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Volunteers are the heart and soul of our shelter, dedicating their time and energy to make a difference in the lives of those in need. Their kindness, compassion, and hard work never go unnoticed, and we cannot thank them enough for their invaluable contributions. Together, we are creating a brighter future for our community.

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*Jennifer Schroeder,
Director of Philanthropy and Communications*



OPENINGS

Join us as a volunteer and help support our increasing number of animals in need!



Scan the QR code to learn more about available opportunities.



STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY BONDS:

OUR PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS





We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all of our partners and collaborators for their unwavering support and dedication. Your contributions have been instrumental in helping us achieve our goals and make a positive impact in our community. We value the strong relationships we have built with each and every one of you and look forward to continuing our work together towards a better future. Thank you for all that you do!

INVESTING IN ANIMALS AND COMMUNITY

GRATITUDE TO OUR INCREDIBLE GRANT PROVIDERS





70,000

Anonymous

\$30,000



\$20,000

Shewan
FOUNDATION

\$20,000



\$10,000



\$10,000

Eagle
Family

\$7,000

Adventurer
Foundation

\$5,000



\$5,000

Compassion
in Action

\$5,000



\$5,000

Greygates
Foundation

\$3,000



\$2,500

Knelson Family
Foundation

\$2,000



\$1,500



\$1,000



\$1,000



\$1,000

Middleton Family
Foundation

\$200





If you are planning your will, we kindly ask you to consider leaving a charitable gift to LAPS. Your support will help us continue our mission of promoting animal welfare and making a positive difference in the lives of animals in need. Together, we can create a brighter future for animals and our community.

FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS: HONORING DONORS WHO LEAVE A LEGACY GIFT



Heather Alden



Elizabeth Mary Sainsbury



Gillian Bryant



Geraldine Moseley



Margaret Eileen Weir



Susan Margaret Hall



William Burchall Duncan



Patricia McAllister

\$481,046

THE POWER OF ESTATE GIFTS

Legacy gifts, have been instrumental in helping us provide essential care and support to animals at our shelter. With these funds, we have been able to expand our programs and services, rescue more animals, and promote animal welfare within our community.

We are extremely grateful to our donors who have included LAPS in their estate plans, as their generosity has made a significant impact on the lives of animals in need. These gifts help us ensure that we can continue to provide the necessary care and resources to our animals and help support more animals within our community.



VOICES OF SUPPORT



Langley Animal Protection Society is the most amazing animal shelter that I have ever seen. The focus on the well-being of the animals doesn't end with a washing, and flea and tick treatment. So much thought and consideration was put into the design of the building to accommodate dogs and cats in ways to reduce stress on the creatures, including the way volunteers are recruited and trained...I would feel much more comfortable with my dog being boarded at LAPS than any private boarding kennel that I have ever seen...

Dan Sims

Crystal A

"Laps is just the best. I get food for my cats donated from them. They really do care."

***J.W. "JW"
Milton***

"Very helpful in helping us capture a lost dog and get it back to the owners"

***Chris
Smith***

"Purchased my dog's license here and was greeted with kindness and smiles."

***Gary
Walters196***

"Very well run .
The staff is very concerned for the well-being of the animals."

***Mary
Whiteside***

"... A friend of mine suggested going to LAPS. I sat in the kitten room and watched... The people I dealt with were Very careful. Checked me out thoroughly...Going through a shelter is the way to go. Thank you LAPS"

***Nicole
Beaverstock***

"Stopped in to look at a few dogs. Staff seemed very knowledgeable about the animals and their adoption process sounded very reasonable and helpful! Definitely recommend."



OUR EXCITING EVENTS IN 2022!

Throwback to 2022: Relive the magic of our unforgettable events! From heartwarming adoption fairs to inspiring fundraisers, we invite you to revisit the highlights of last year's events. Join us on a trip down memory lane and relive the moments that made us laugh, cry, and come together for a better world.







MEOWFEST

Meowfest was a huge success! In just one day, we managed to find homes for 20 cats and raised an impressive \$13,992! We're thrilled to have made such a positive impact on the lives of these cats and our community. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this event possible.



\$13,992

Total
Rised



20

Cats
Adopted

GALA

Thanks to our generous donors and supporters! The event was a true testament to the strength of our community and our shared commitment to animal welfare.



\$ 95,896.54

Total Rised



263

Total Participants



32

Volunteers



KENNEL BREAKOUT

These funds were a long way in helping us provide essential care and support to animals in need. We're grateful for the support of our community and the tireless efforts of our volunteers. Thank you for helping us make a difference in the lives of animals.



\$ 9,323

Total Rised



8

Total Participants

GAMING

These longstanding traditions have become a hallmark of LAPS and have helped us raise vital funds to support our mission. We love seeing members of our community win big and feel good knowing that their contributions are making a tangible impact in the lives of animals.



\$ 23,755

50/50



\$ 24,395

Dream Vacation Lottery



857

Boarding

311

Dogs for daycare

**WE
OPENED!**

We're back, stronger than ever!

RECONNECTING AND REBUILDING

The Doghouse program is a unique initiative created by the partnership between LAPS and the Correctional Services of Canada (CSC). It provides employment training opportunities for female inmates at the Fraser Valley Institution by teaching them industry-specific skills, such as handling, training, and grooming dogs. The program also generates revenue that is used to support the in-house adoption program at LAPS. More than 150 women have participated in the program since its inception in 2006, with many of them continuing to work with dogs after their release. **The Doghouse also serves as a boarding and training facility for the public, providing dogs with more exercise time and one-on-one interaction with staff. This program provides a therapeutic opportunity for participants to develop skills, friendships, and pursue careers they love.**



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"...Working in the Doghouse program connected me to dogs who shared the same kind of brokenness I was feeling. There was one shelter dog specifically who stayed with us for five months in the institution. He was high need, aggressive and afraid. I could relate to him so deeply. I imagined that he was feeling displaced and afraid, and acting out because he had learned what was required for survival. As he was rehabilitated, so was I..."

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Inmate at the FVI

Estate Gift

24.9% 24.4%

Shelter Revenue

6.2% 6.2%

Others

11.6% 9.9%

Fix Contracts

25.7% 30.5%

Donations

31.6% 28.8%

\$1.934.519

\$1.580.862

REVENUE

MASTERING YOUR MONEY

A COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



2022



2021

\$1.737.555

\$1.549.258

Community
program

5.5% 3.2%

Others

9.9% 13.3%

Medical Care

10.4% 7.5%

Animal control

21.88% 22.88%

Sheltering Animals

52.32% 53.19%

EXPENSES

Full financial statement available at lapsbc.ca

HOW TO SUPPORT?



DONATE



ADOPT



VOLUNTEER



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