

## 2023: a year of stability

As we reflect on 2023, we are filled with heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support. Your generosity has been the cornerstone of our lifesaving mission, helping to build a foundation of hope and happiness for the beloved homeless animals in our community.

Thanks to the dedication and compassion of donors like you, Northshore Humane Society continues to stand as one of Louisiana's premier rescue organizations. We provide sanctuary to neglected, abandoned, and abused dogs and cats, offering them the care and love they so deserve. Your commitment has had an extraordinary impact on our efforts, allowing us to achieve milestones we once thought impossible.

In 2023, we assisted 1,728 innocent animals from the horrors of homelessness. Our community outreach programs, such as summer camps, also played an important role in advocating for adoption and highlighting the importance of responsible pet care. Lastly, incredible medical team performed 2,374 spay/neuter surgeries, furthering our no-kill vision and ensuring a healthier, more sustainable future for countless animals.

Thank you for standing with us and for our furry friends. Together, we are creating brighter futures for those who need us most.

With sincere gratitude,

*Scott Bernier, CEO*

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# The Numbers



**1,728 PETS SAVED**  
through life-saving programs



**24,176 HOURS**  
given by our  
dedicated volunteers



**1,493 MICROCHIPS**  
given to reduce animals lost in shelters

**2,374 SPAY/NEUTERS**  
to help reduce companion animal  
overpopulation in our community



**12,898 PATIENTS**  
seen at our affordable vet clinic

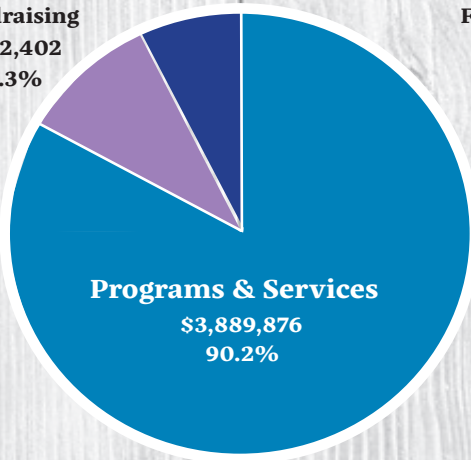


## Expenses

2021

General & Administrative  
\$152,173  
3.5%

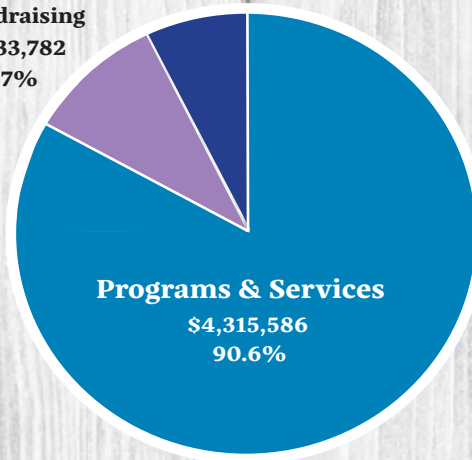
Fundraising  
\$272,402  
6.3%



2022

General & Administrative  
\$113,957  
2.4%

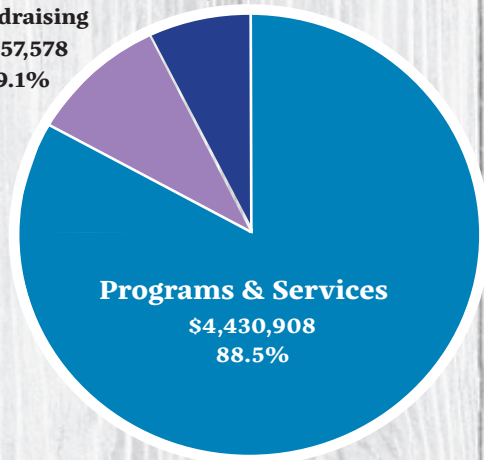
Fundraising  
\$333,782  
7%



2023

General & Administrative  
\$122,360  
2.4%

Fundraising  
\$457,578  
9.1%





# NORTHSHORE 2023 Life-Saving Stats

HUMANE SOCIETY  
WHERE LIVES ARE SAVED

Total intake: 1,023  
Total live outcome: 999 Total outcome: 1,030  
Live release rate: 97%



"Live release rate" is the number of live outcomes divided by the number of total outcome.

Species	Canine	Feline	Total:
Beginning animal count January 1, 2023	111	41	152

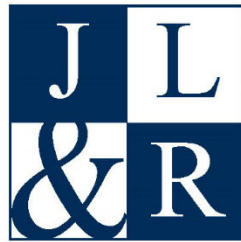
Live Intake	Adult	Up to five months	Adult	Up to five months	Total
Stray/at large	137	131	63	199	534 <i>*4 No DOB</i>
Relinquished by owner	109	55	64	60	288
Transfer in from agency	57	48	3	4	112
Other intakes	55	9	21	4	89
<b>Total live intake</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>1,023</b>

Outcome	Adult	Up to five months	Adult	Up to five months	Total
Adoption	320	222	169	223	935 <i>*1 No DOB</i>
Returned to owner	55	1	3	1	63 <i>*3 No DOB</i>
Transfer to another agency	0	0	1	0	1
Returned to field	0	0	0	0	0
Other live outcome	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total live outcomes</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>999</b>
Died in care	2	3	1	14	20
Lost in care	0	0	0	0	0
Shelter euthanasia	3	1	1	6	11
<b>Subtotal: other outcomes</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>31</b>

<b>TOTAL OUTCOMES</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>1,030</b>
Ending animal count December 31, 2023	105	40	145

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## Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of  
St. Tammany Humane Society /dba  
Northshore Humane Society  
Covington, Louisiana

### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the St. Tammany Humane Society (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the St. Tammany Humane Society as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the St. Tammany Humane Society and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the St. Tammany Humane Society's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion.

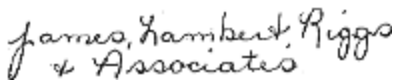
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Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the St. Tammany Humane Society's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the St. Tammany Humane Society's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.



James Lambert Riggs & Associates, Inc.  
Hammond, Louisiana

May 21, 2024