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## A Year in Review

What your donations made happen in 2019:

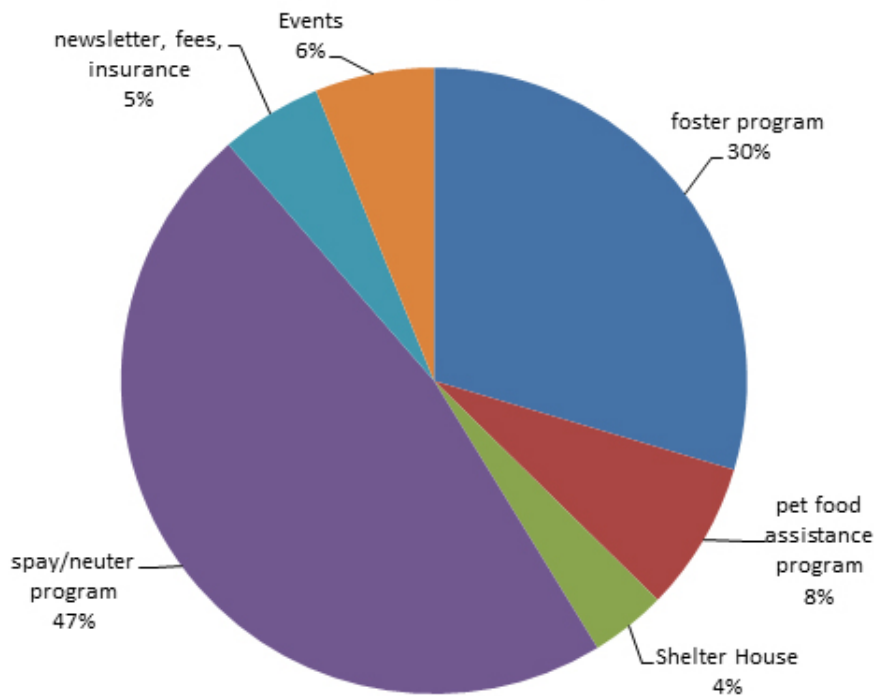
- 149 foster pets placed with new families
- 501 spay/neuter surgeries for pets in low income families
- 215 animals living with 83 families helped with pet food

Our dedicated volunteers use your donations to make a difference to help the animals.

Thank you for your support.

*Joann Taylor*  
 SOS Animal Rescue President

### 2019 Spending by Program



## SOS EVENTS

### Board Meeting

Park Place Homes  
 February 27  
 6:00 p.m.

### Neuter Palooza

M-20 Animal Hospital  
 March 18

### Give Local Midland

May 5

### Rummage Sale Drop-Off

Midland Curling Center  
 May 5 & 6

### Rummage Sale

Midland Curling Center  
 May 7 & 8

### Dirty Dog Trail Run

Midland City Forest  
 August 29

*Check website  
 for schedule updates.*

# THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Barbara Anderson  
Mike and Mary Bain  
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Sherry and Jeffrey Rogers  
Kathleen Russell  
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Karen Shirey  
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## Platinum Sponsors

Morley Portraiture  
M-20 Animal Hospital  
Northern Animal Clinic  
Park Place Homes  
Petfinder Foundation  
PetSmart  
Precious Cat  
River Rock Animal Hospital  
Superior Title and Settlement  
Surrey Veterinary Clinic  
Target  
Tri City Remodeling and  
Nowak Cabinets of Midland

## Gold Sponsors

Highway 107.7 Radio  
Pet Pals  
Sunny 97.7 1490 WMPX  
Vetmed of Midland

## Silver Sponsors

Animal Medical Center  
Beauchamp's Heating and Cooling LLC  
Bob Evans  
Bushey's Automotive  
Fisher Contracting Company  
Gimmick's Valley Lanes  
Glover's Rexall Pharmacy  
The Gourmet Cupcake Shoppe  
leuter Insurance Group /  
Auto Owners Insurance  
Legacy Wealth Management -  
Benjamin F. Edwards  
McLaren Dental Associates  
Poseyville Party Store  
Soldan's Pet Supplies  
Spherion  
Wildfire Credit Union

## Bronze Sponsors

Basil Thai Bistro  
Bone and Bailey Insurance  
Canine Cuts and Clips  
Chicky and Chippi Vacuum  
Dog Haven Ranch  
Eastman Party Store  
Family Fare  
Garber Chevrolet  
Hugs for Homeless Animals  
Kroger  
Larkin Food Center  
Lowe's  
Max's Place  
Meijer  
Members First Credit Union  
Midland Animal Clinic  
Midland Liquor  
Midland Physical Therapy  
Muddy Pups  
Nature's Gift Organic Market  
Paula's Pet Sitting  
Poochie's Pit Stop  
Quilts for Cages  
Runners Athletic Company  
Sanford Animal Clinic  
Shine  
Tractor Supply Company  
Zach's Dog Groomery

Memorials by Rena Marx in loving  
memory to:  
Mr. & Mrs. Duane Scheuerlein's mom  
Walter Kitter's mom  
Annemarie Schroeder's husband,  
father, and grandfather  
Jackie Hemker's husband  
James Helms mom  
Edward Heinz's brother and sister  
Mr & Mrs Jeff Philka and family's father  
and grandfather  
Hannalore Robertson's husband  
Mr and Mrs Philip Adriani's mom

In honor of our beautiful dog, Molly,  
from Sarah and Jon

In memory of Ruth and Russell Miller  
by David and Pamela Goodman

In memory of Penny Tabor  
Al and Andrea Hart  
Nichole and Aaron Toth

In memory of Lee-Lee, beloved dog of  
Debra and Lyle Smith



Thank you to  
Precious Cat for the  
litter donation



# THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

To PetSmart Saginaw for the great donation



To Petfinder Foundation for an amazing adoption options grant which keeps adoptable pets happy while they are waiting for a new home

For a very nice donation for Debra Baumgartner in lieu of Christmas gifts from her daughter



Please choose our rescue as your charity via Amazon Smile and help raise money for the animals!

In 2019  
Amazon Smile donated \$159  
for a total of \$602 to date!



Isabella Jansen  
Joann Taylor  
Kasper Patterson  
Gabriele Goldorf Golombeski  
Bonnie Kanicki  
Dorothy Pretzer  
Heather Kettelhohn  
Darlene LaBean

Please support us  
with your Kroger purchases!  
Community Rewards Number: HN771

In 2019  
Kroger donated \$109  
for a total of \$1,593 to date!



To Soldan's Pet Supplies for hosting the share tree. Many thanks to everyone who donated to the share tree: Anastasia Behr, Jocelyn Paddock, Rachael Paddock, Joan Monahan, and many anonymous donors.





A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS BENEFITS



**12<sup>th</sup> Annual**

# Dirty Dog

**Trail Run**

**10K Run • 5K Run • 5K Walk • 1 Mile Walk**

**Saturday, August 29, 2020 • Midland City Forest**  
*Registration Opens at 8 AM & Races Start at 9 AM*

**REGISTER AT [ITSYOURRACE.COM](http://ITSYOURRACE.COM)**

**REASON FOR THE RACE:** To provide funding to Shelterhouse to ensure victims of domestic violence can provide a safe haven for their pets. SOS Animal Rescue provides funding for animals in need through their foster, pet food, and spay/neuter assistance programs.

### Spay/Neuter Statistics

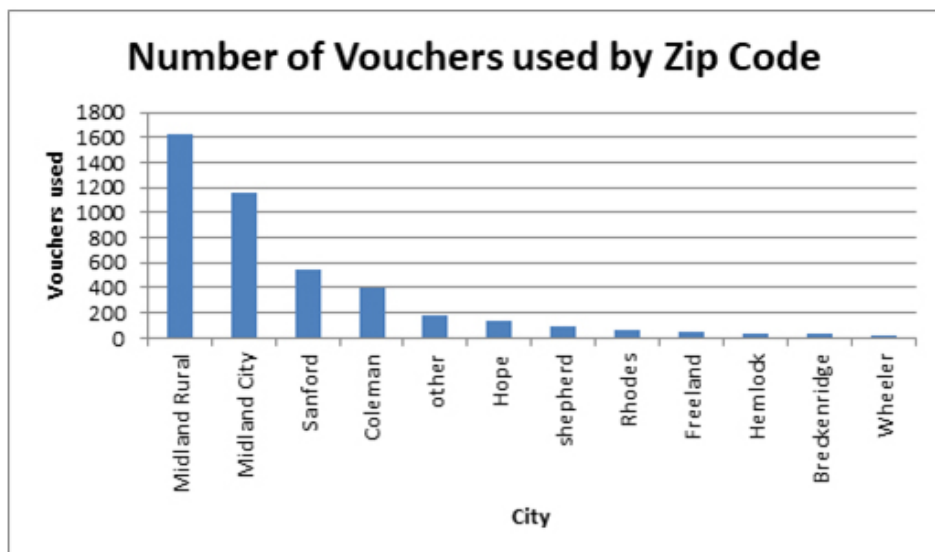
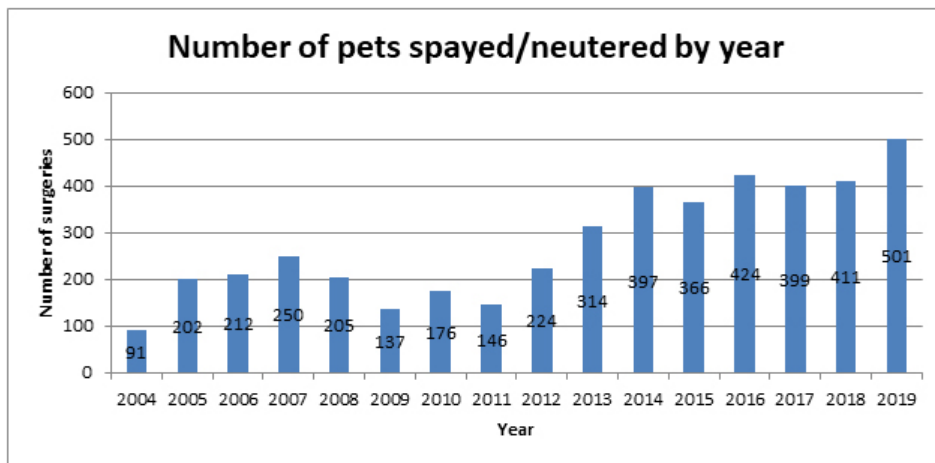
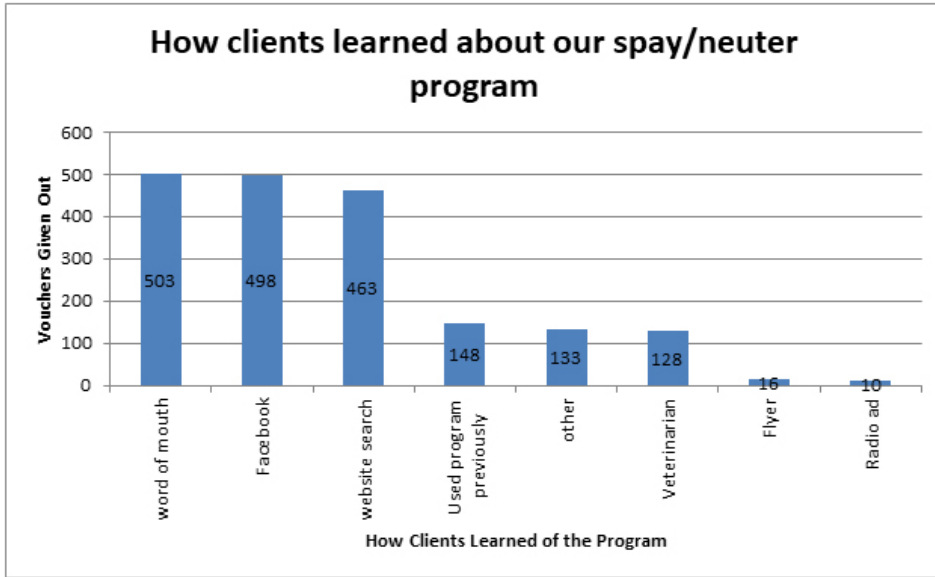
Thanks to your donations and support, we are able to provide more help each year. If each spay/neuter surgery prevents two litters of unwanted puppies or kittens from being born the program has saved over 30,000 from a life of hunger, cruelty, and disease.

Spay/Neuter	thru 2018	2019	Total
Female Cats	1582	226	1808
Male Cats	1317	195	1512
Female Dogs	602	36	638
Male Dogs	453	43	496
Total	3954	500	4454

### Thank You to Our Donation Canister Hosts!

- Auto Technicians
- Bicycle HQ
- Cohoon's Elevator
- Countryside Animal Health Center
- Eastman Animal Hospital
- The Gourmet Cupcake Shoppe
- Howl-a-day Pet Resort
- Larkin Food Center
- Max's Place
- M-20 Animal Hospital
- Northern Animal Clinic
- Poseyville Party Store
- Sanford Hardware
- Shirlene's Cuisine
- Soldan's Pet Supplies
- Wall & Webb Jewelers
- Woodland Pet Resort

## Spay/Neuter Statistics



## Donation Drop-Off

Tuesday, May 5  
1 – 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 6  
12 noon – 7 p.m.

# ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE!

Thursday, May 7  
9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Friday, May 8  
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

## Midland Curling Center

(next to Midland Community Center)

We are collecting donations ahead of time too, so call for pick up:  
989-492-0042

Proceeds benefit our fostering, pet food, and spay/neuter assistance programs.

# Pet Food Assistance Program

	Thru 2019	2020	Total
Families Helped	961	12	973
Dogs	1074	11	1085
Cats	1786	17	1803
Other animals	22	0	22
Pounds Dog Food Delivered	35,376	373	35,749
Pounds Cat Food Delivered	19,501	149	19,650
Flea Products - Families Helped	78	0	78

## Neuter Palooza Hits Another Milestone

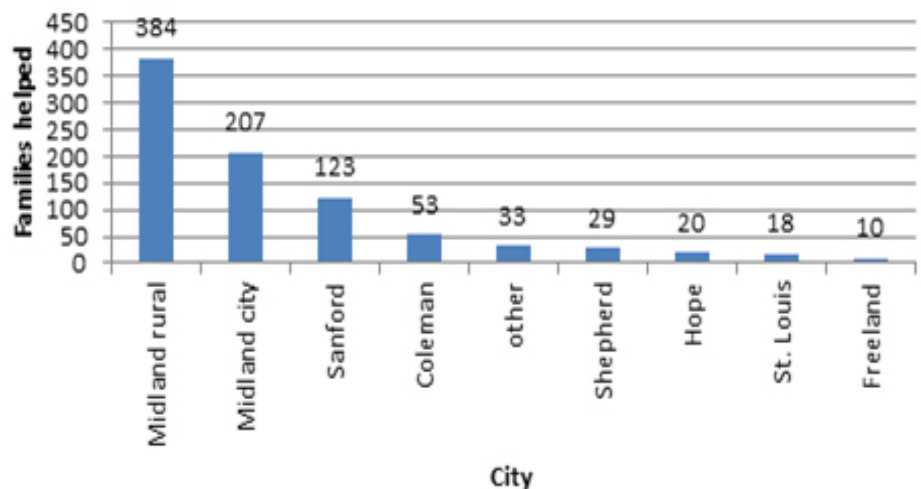
M-20 Animal Hospital and SOS Animal Rescue’s spay/neuter assistance program has completed its 650th Neuter Palooza surgery. Neuter Palooza is a program that provides free neuter surgeries for male cats that are outside, unowned, or live with low income families. This program would not be possible without the generosity of our community. Special thanks to M20 Animal Hospital owners, veterinarians, and their staff.

“This is a positive milestone in our efforts to help control the animal population,” said SOS Animal Rescue President, Joann Taylor. “The 650 surgeries have prevented thousands of unwanted cats from being born that have no chance of finding a home,” Taylor added. “In addition, the neutered animals lead healthier lives after surgery and the community benefits by having significantly fewer homeless animals roaming the streets.”

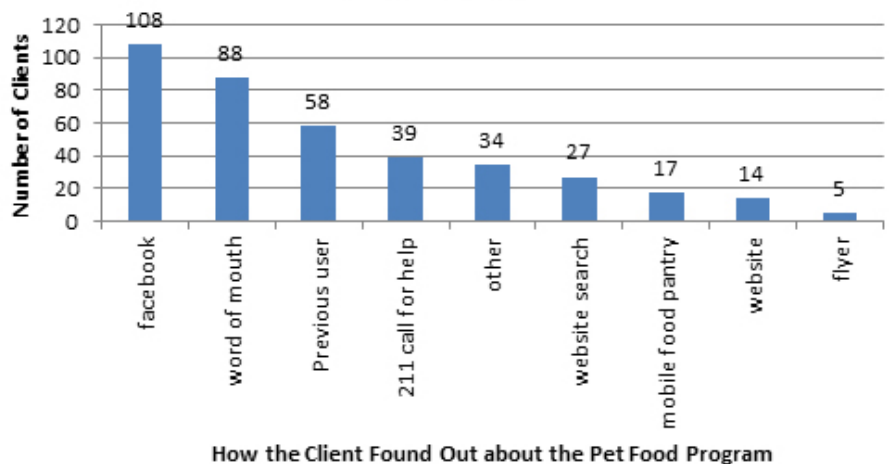
Unwanted cats and kittens are a huge problem in this community. We need more focus on prevention. Stopping the breeding cycle is cheaper and safer than dealing with a litter of unwanted kittens. Be a part of the solution and help us get those cats fixed before they breed. If you need assistance getting your cats fixed, fill out an application at [www.sosanimalrescue.org](http://www.sosanimalrescue.org).

## Pet Food Assistance Charts

### Number of Families Helped by City Program to Date



### How Found out about the program? Program to Date



# YOUR DONATIONS HELP THESE ANIMALS RECEIVE MEDICAL CARE

Sonny, Sophie, Stamper, Sticks, Stumper – all came from the same location with upper respiratory and chest congestion  
Smudge – ear mites  
Jethro – upper respiratory and congestion



Jethro

Adopted!

Stamper & Sticks

Adopted!



Smudge

Sonny



Sophie

Adopted!

Stumper

Adopted!





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**Officers**

Joann Taylor, President  
Shelley Park, Vice President  
Karla Oldenburg, Treasurer

**Mission Statement**

SOS Animal Rescue is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization whose mission is to reduce the number of unwanted pets in the Midland area through placement, public education, spay/neuter assistance programs, and support for the efforts of local animal welfare groups.

**Directors**

Isabella Jansen

**Newsletter Editor**

Sheryl Billmeier Hnizda

**THANKS TO OUR PLATINUM, GOLD, & SILVER SPONSORS!**