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A Year in Review

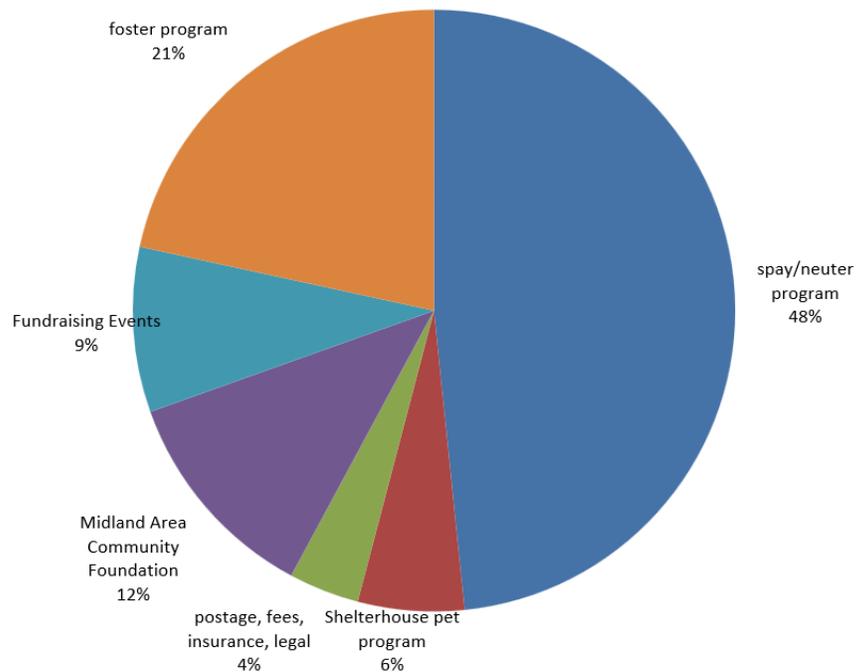
What your donations of time and money made happen in 2025:

- 96 foster pets placed via our foster program and 8 returned to owners
- 311 spay/neuter surgeries for pets in low income families
- 182 animals living with 34 families helped with pet food
- Shelterhouse donation for their pet program
- 26 pets were helped by a grant from the Midland Area Community Foundation

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

2025 Spending by Program



Renewal

Membership renewal cards will be arriving in your mailbox. You help save animals by providing food and vet care to animals in need.

SOS EVENTS

Give Local Midland

Tuesday, May 5
 Midland Area Community Foundation



Dirty Dog Trail Run Packet Pick-Up

Friday, August 14
 6:00-7:00 p.m.
 Midland City Forest near chalet



Dirty Dog Trail Run

Saturday, August 15
 Registration 8:00-8:45 a.m.
 Race 9:00 a.m.
 Midland City Forest



Visit petfinder.com for pets available for adoption.

THANK YOU!

Mike Bartos
Kitty Becjek
Phyllis Beehr
Karen Brooks
Marie Buetow
Eleanor Butcher
Amy Comber Gross
Kevin Budd and Sandy Cripps
Mike and Diana Dalton
Linda Finerty
Tracy Ghosh
Gabriele Golombeski
Sarah Gushow
Forrestene Keenan
Christine Kissoondial
RaeAnn LaFrance
Ina Lerner
Martha Magurno
Michael and Joy Marchione
Elizabeth Marshall
Greg McIntyre
Diane Nold
John and Julie Nosal
Donald Piering
Christy Plishka
George and Carol Quarderer
Madeline Sasse
Judith Scheuffele
Terry Shell
Wendy Sines
Debra and Lyle Smith
Jeffrey Smith
Karen Stanard
Sawn Sullivan
Lewis Webster

DeFiCreations
for your ongoing support

Coyer Candle
for the great fundraiser

Platinum Sponsors

All About Animals - Flint
M-20 Animal Hospital
Morley Portraiture
Next Home Park Place Homes
Group
Northern Animal Clinic
Precious Cat
River Rock Animal Hospital and
Veterinary Rehabilitation Center
Superior Title and Settlement
Surrey Veterinary Clinic

Gold Sponsors

The Gourmet Cupcake Shoppe
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Benjamin F. Edwards & Co.
Pet Pals
Spherion

Silver Sponsors

Animal Medical Center
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Cooling LLC
Bushey's Automotive
DeFiCreations
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Bronze Sponsors

Bone and Bailey Insurance
Eastman Party Store
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Kroger
Max's Place
Midland Amateur Radio Club
Midland Animal Clinic
Quilts for Cages
Rosemary's Grand Adventures
Tractor Supply Company

Canister Hosts

*Thank you to these businesses
for hosting a donation canister.
If you stop by, let them know we
appreciate their support:*

Auto Technicians
Cohoon's Elevator
The Gourmet Cupcake Shoppe
Howl-A-Day
Larkin Food Center
Lodge Liquor Store
M-20 Animal Hospital
Max's Place
Nature's Niche
Northern Animal Clinic

*Congratulations to Larkin Food
Center on achieving Gold status,
The Gourmet Cupcake Shoppe
on achieving Gold status,
and Auto Technicians Inc. on
achieving Silver status.*



Support SOS with your Kroger purchases!

Community Rewards Number:

HN771

In 2025 Kroger donated \$114 for a total of \$2,262 to date!

Meet Emmie – Your Future Snuggle Queen!

If you're looking for a sweet, snuggly cat who will happily curl up beside you every night, Emmie is your girl! After three years in our foster program, this gentle, golden-hearted lady is ready to find her forever home – one filled with love, soft blankets, and plenty of chin scratches.

Emmie is about 7 to 8 years old and proudly embraces her title as Couch Potato Royalty. She adores lazy afternoons, cozy naps, and being brushed until she purrs herself to sleep. Once she gets comfortable, she'll become your loyal shadow and cuddle buddy for life.

This lovely girl came to us with a bladder stone, which was successfully removed, and she's been a much happier, healthier kitty ever since. To keep her feeling her best, Emmie eats a special food (we'll provide it and have it delivered right to your home!) and gets a yearly checkup – which we'll cover too.

Emmie would prefer to be the only cat in your kingdom or share space with feline friends who are calm and respectful. She can be a bit shy at first, but give her time and you'll soon discover her affectionate, goofy side.

She's also had a few teeth removed and is now eating comfortably – maybe a little too comfortably, since she's still working on her waistline! With a bit of portion control and a loving home, she'll be in tip-top shape in no time.

If you've got a soft spot for a cat who loves to snuggle, nap, and love you endlessly, Emmie is waiting to fill your home (and your heart) with purrs and warmth.



KEEP AWAY		SHARE SPARINGLY	
<p>These items may be dangerous for pets to consume and can cause reactions from stomach upset to death. Avoid sharing and seek help if ingestion occurs.</p>		<p>These foods are safe to share sparingly with pets in small portions when unseasoned and cut into small pieces. Remove seeds, cores, stems or peels!</p>	
			
Alcohol	Avocados	Apples	Bananas
			
Chocolate	Coffee	Blueberries	Broccoli
			
Garlic	Grapes/Raisins	Carrots	Cauliflower
			
Macadamia Nuts	Onions	Cheese	Popcorn
			
Products Containing Xylitol	Raw Yeast Bread Dough	Strawberries	Xylitol-Free Peanut Butter
			



Give where you live!

Tuesday, May 5

24 hours + 50 non-profits

www.givelocalmidland.org

Pet Portraits for SOS ANIMAL RESCUE



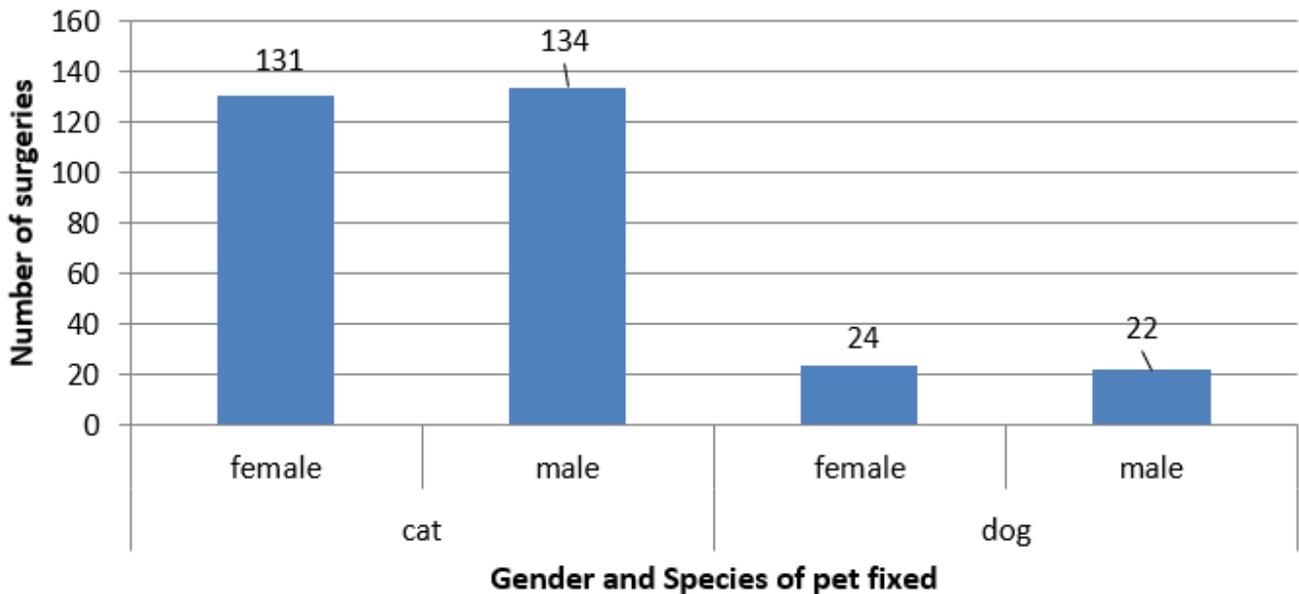
Thank you, Morley Portraiture, for two great fundraisers. Your portraits are the best!

Spay/Neuter Statistics

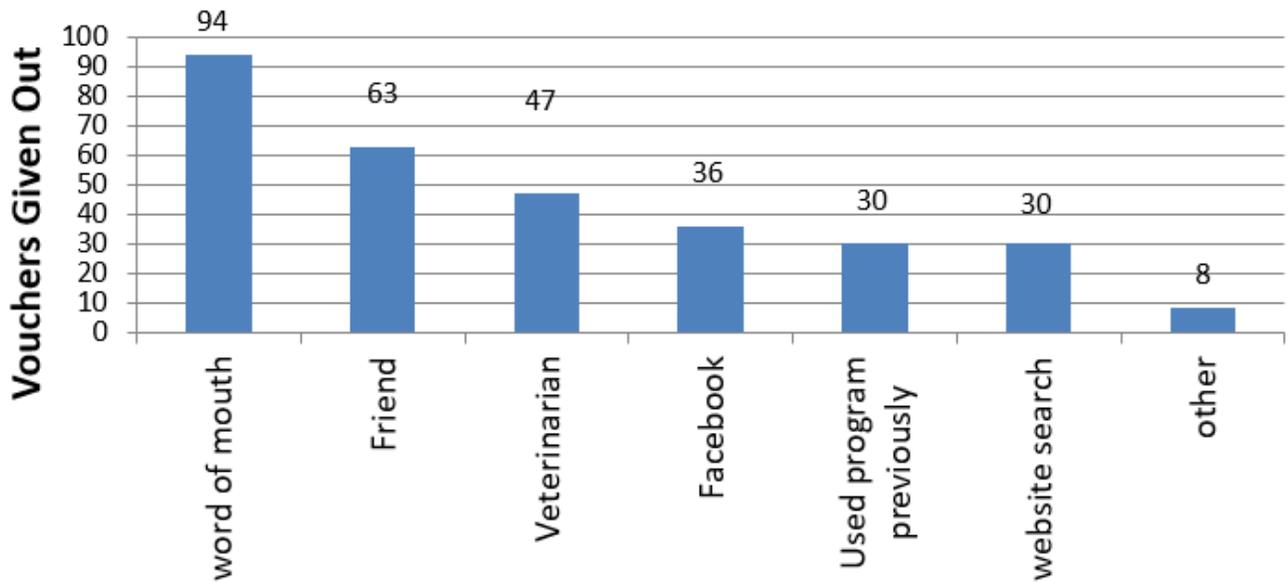
Over 7,000 pets received spay/neuter surgery with the help of our assistance program. This would not be possible without all of you help and support. Thank you!

Spay/Neuter	Thru 2024	2025	Total
Female Cats	2,887	131	3,018
Male Cats	2,420	134	2,554
Female Dogs	797	24	821
Male Dogs	654	22	676
Total	6,758	311	7,069

Number of Spay/Neuter Surgeries in 2025

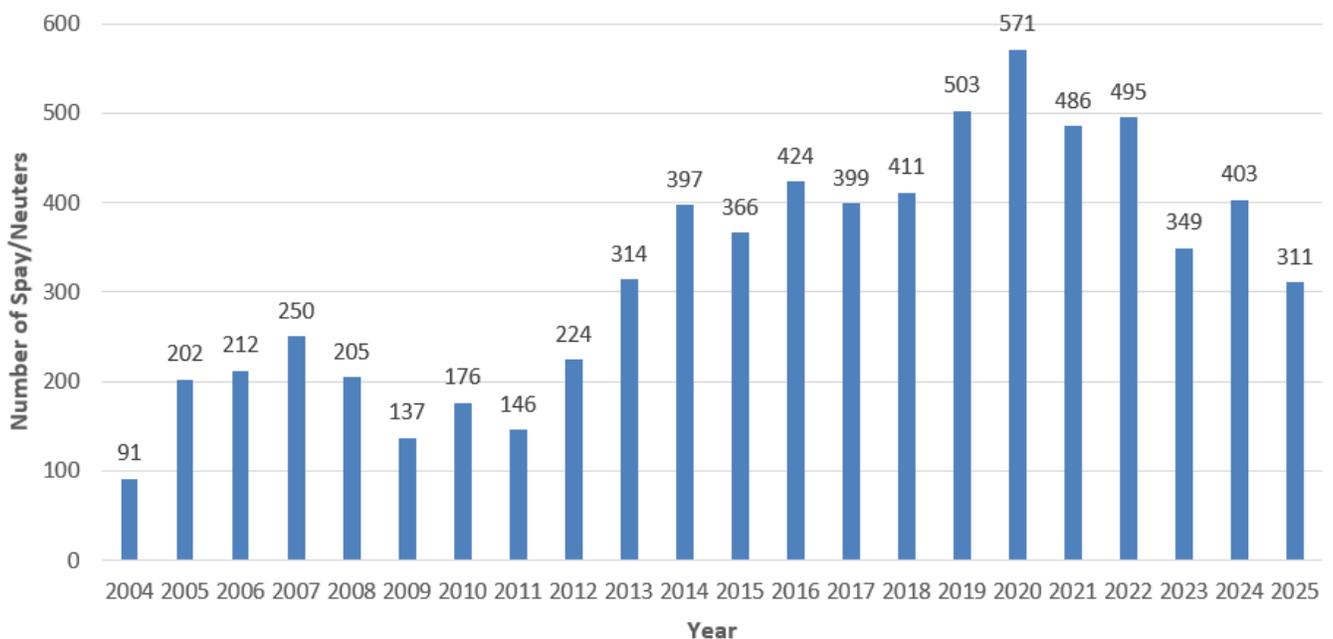


How clients learned about our spay/neuter program in 2025



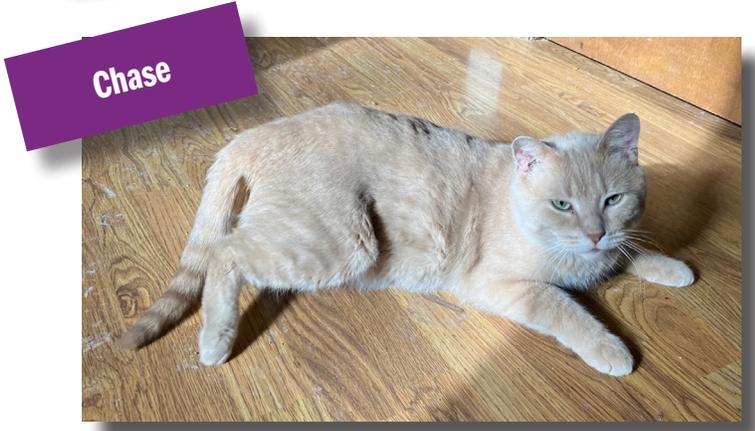
How Clients Learned of the Spay/Neuter Program

Number of spays and neuters via our assistance program by year



YOUR DONATIONS HELP THESE ANIMALS RECEIVE MEDICAL CARE

Harley and Charlie - adopted
Bailey and Cowgirl - still looking for a home
Eldon - passed away
Whiskey - had an upper respiratory and has been adopted
Chase - severe diarrhea, became badly underweight, doing better although still has diarrhea



Thank You

FOR TOP SPONSORSHIP IN THE 2025 DIRTY DOG TRAIL RUN

Northern Animal Clinic
16 Years



M-20 Animal Hospital
8 Years



River Rock Animal Hospital
6 Years



Superior Title and Settlement
15 Years



Veterinary Rehabilitation Center
1 Year



Event Sponsors

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Northern Animal Clinic
River Rock Animal Hospital
Superior Title and Settlement
Veterinary Rehabilitation Center

Race Sponsors

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Next Home Park Place Homes Group
Pet Pals
Spherion

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Animal Medical Center
Beauchamp's Heating and Cooling
Bushey Automotive
Valley Lanes

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Feeders Pet Supplies
Gushow Excavating
Midland Animal Clinic
Rosemary's Grand Adventures
Shine

Prizes/Silent Auction

Ace
Anderson's Stained Glass
Beauchamp's Heating and Cooling
Beyond Measure Bulk Foods
Dan Dan the Mattress Man
Espresso Milano
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Insurance
Little Forks Outfitters
M-20 Animal Hospital
Members First Credit Union
Molasses Smokehouse and Bar
Nature Niche
Pet Pals
Shine

Race Supplies, Treats, Water

Family Fare

Race Communications

Midland Amateur Radio Club

Race Course Management

Dig Deep Races

Moving Sign Ads

Garber Chevrolet



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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.

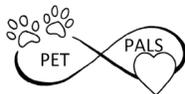
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Isabella Jansen

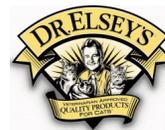
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