

#### **Looking Ahead**

We are committed to finding loving homes for cats and dogs in need and promoting responsible pet ownership. With your continued support, we can make an even greater difference in 2025 and beyond. Please consider donating today using the enclosed envelope or go to our website at odas.org/donate.

You can also follow us on X (formally Twitter), Facebook and Instagram to stay up-to-date on our latest news and events. Thank you for joining us in our mission to improve the lives of cats and dogs in our community.



# OPEN DOR Animal Sanctuary ANNIVERSARY 2025



## Welcome to Open Door Animal Sanctuary!

#### Ways To Help!

# Celebrating 50 Years of Compassionate Care

Founded in 1975, Open Door Animal Sanctuary is proud to be the largest no-kill shelter in the greater St. Louis area and the State of Missouri.

For five decades, our mission has remained steadfast: to provide homeless cats and dogs with the highest quality of life and a second chance to find a forever family.

We serve the community by rescuing stray, abused, neglected, and unwanted cats and dogs and placing them up for adoption. Each day, we provide shelter, food, medical care, and most importantly, LOVE to more than 350 animals. At Open Door, every animal that comes through our doors is given a home and a second chance at life.



2025 marks an extraordinary milestone—our 50th year in service to the community! To celebrate this incredible journey, we have several exciting events planned each month, bringing our supporters together to honor the



impact we've made and the lives we've touched. As we reflect on our history, we are also looking ahead to the future. This year, we will kick off our capital campaign for the Next 50 Years of Open Door Animal Sanctuary. This transformative initiative will ensure that we continue to provide the highest level of care and compassion for generations to come. Stay tuned for

details in the coming months as we unveil our plans for a brighter future.

Simply scan the QR code with your phone's camera, and it will take you directly to our website where you can learn more, donate and get involved!



#### Sponsor an Event

Promote your business while supporting our animals by becoming a sponsor of one of our fundraising events. Individuals are also welcome to be a sponsor. To learn more or reach out to our Director of



Development at development@odas.org.

#### Volunteer

Our volunteers generously donated over 8,500 hours of their time in 2024. They assisted with dog walking, cat enrichment, fundraisers and events. If you're interested in volunteering, please visit odas.org/volunteer for more information.



#### Donate

When you make a gift, you are providing so much more



than just shelter to an animal in need - you are providing medical care, enrichment, supplies, life-saving vaccines, and most of all, hope.

#### Legacies & Bequests

Consider making a lasting impact on the lives of homeless cats and dogs by making a planned gift. Your gift of any size will help secure the future of animals who depend on us for help and may also offer you tax benefits. We recommend consulting with your financial advisor to learn more about the advantages of planned giving.

#### Programs - The Heart of What We Do

#### Rehabilitation

Each animal entering our Sanctuary receives individualized medical and behavioral care. From vaccinations and parasite treatments to spay/neuter surgeries and heartworm prevention, we ensure they're ready for adoption. Every animal is also behaviorally assessed, with customized care plans created when needed.



Rescue

#### Rescue

In 2024, we rescued 667 cats and 298 dogs from diverse situations. We welcomed pets from owners who could no longer afford to care for them due to

health or financial issues and others who had litters of puppies or kittens but lacked the resources to care for them.



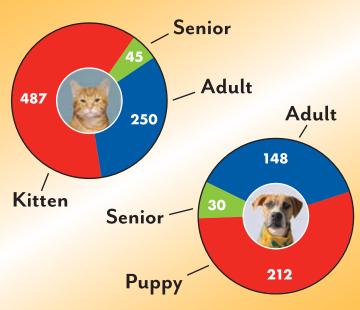
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#### Rehome

We are committed to finding loving homes for every animal in our care. In 2024, our adoption program successfully placed over 1,172 animals with families, with an average stay of 59 days before adoption. Visit odas.org/adopt to meet your new companion!

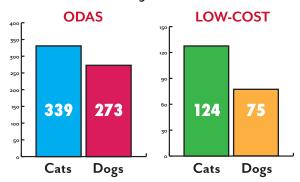


#### **Adoptions by Species**



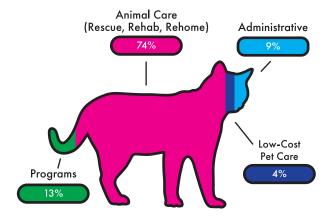
#### Spay/Neuter Program

We offer low-cost spay and neuter services to qualifying low-income pet owners, we also spay/neuter each animal that enters at our Sanctuary.

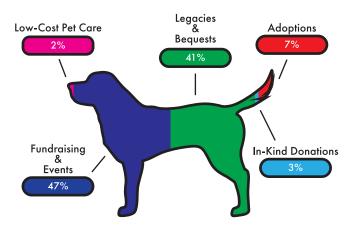


#### Financial Summary

### **Total Expenses** \$1,799,529



#### Total Revenue \$2,407,545



Every dollar you give ensures our programs continue making a difference in the lives of animals and the people who love them.

#### Dear Friends of Open Door,

As we reflect on 2024 and prepare for the future, I am filled with gratitude for our community's support and dedication. This past year marked significant milestones, including the advancement of our plans for a new state-of-the-art facility in Cedar Hill, Missouri. This new shelter will be a cornerstone of our mission, allowing us to provide unparalleled care for homeless cats and dogs for generations to come. As we celebrate 50 years of compassionate care, we're launching our Next 50 Years capital campaign to ensure the future of Open Door Animal Sanctuary. This ground-breaking project will turn our vision into reality, providing every animal with a safe refuge and a fresh start. Thank you for supporting our mission to create a brighter future for homeless animals. Together, we are making an incredible impact in our community.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Tracie Quackenbush Executive Director



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