



SPCA of Tompkins County 2024: By the Numbers



WHO CAME IN

In 2024, **1,336** animals came to the SPCA of Tompkins County. Most of those animals were cats or dogs, guinea pigs, rabbits, a bearded dragon, a bird, a hamster, and a rat.



WHERE DID THEY COME FROM

The majority of the animals who came to us were surrendered by their owners, or were found as strays. Some of the animals came to us from other rescue organizations.

Owner Surrender/Stray

- 262 dogs
- 1,026 cats
- 21 other animals

Transfers

From other rescues, shelters

- 15 dogs
- 12 cats
- 0 other animals



WHERE DID THEY GO

The vast majority of the animals who come to us are adopted or reunited with their families. Sadly, some died while in our care (especially the very young or very old) or are humanely euthanized for severe health or behavioral problems.

	Dogs	Cats	Other
Adopted	207	935	19
Returned to Owner	69	47	1
Transferred	1	2	1
Euthanized or Died	8	79	1

HOW LONG WERE THEY HERE

Number of Days



LIVE RELEASE RATE

An amazing 94.81% of the animals we cared for found new homes, reunited with their owners, or were transferred to other rescues!



FOSTER FAMILIES

We could not achieve our mission of being an open admission, adoption guarantee shelter without the work of our dedicated foster parents! This group totals **61** families caring for dogs, **145** families caring for cats & kittens, and **1** family who fostered a guinea pig.



VOLUNTEERS

In 2024, the SPCA relied on the time, talent, and generosity of 261 volunteers. We are grateful for their support.

110 Dog Wing

111 Cat Wing

4 Adoption Call backs

12 Medical/SOS

5 Social Media

2 Facilities

5 Administrative Support

3 Photographers

6 Lobby Assistance

14 Board Members



COMMUNITY ASSIST

We provide community assistance to people in Tompkins County who are in a difficult situation and need care for their pets temporarily.

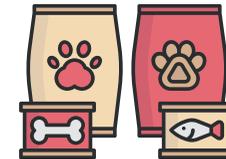
In 2024, we provided assistance to community members in **15** different cases, involving **22** animals. These animals were housed for a total of **249** days, an increase of 31% from 2023!



14 DOGS
8 CATS

PET FOOD PANTRY

Food insecurity continues to be an issue for both humans and their pets in our community. With donations from individuals and businesses, we were able to offer 52 drive-up pet food pantries.



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

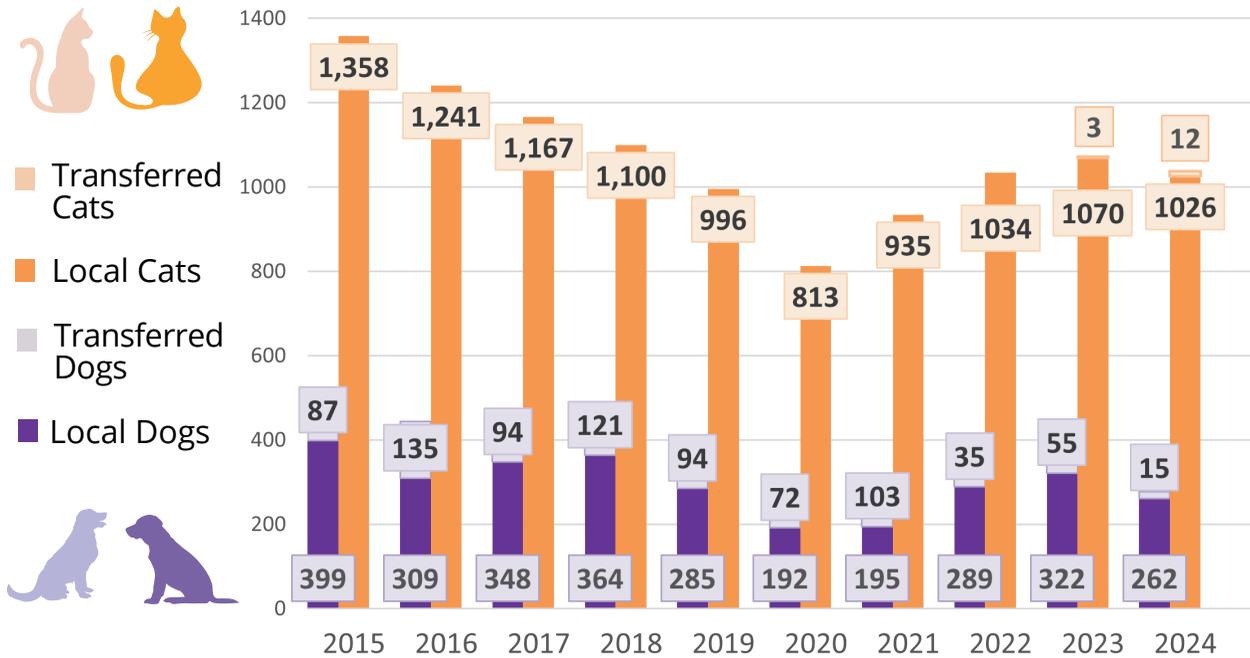
In 2024, **\$1,396,809.14** raised from **2,879** donors who made **5,385** gifts.



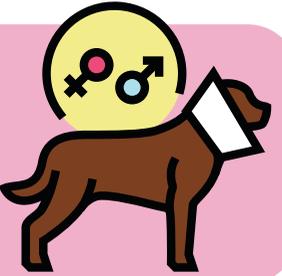
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For many years, the number of local cats and dogs who have come to the SPCA has steadily declined. We credit that reduction, in part, to our efforts to provide low-cost spay/neuter clinics for owned pets and to facilitate trap/neuter/return (TNR) of large colonies of unowned cats. When more cats and dogs in the area are spayed or neutered, the number of unexpected litters decreases.

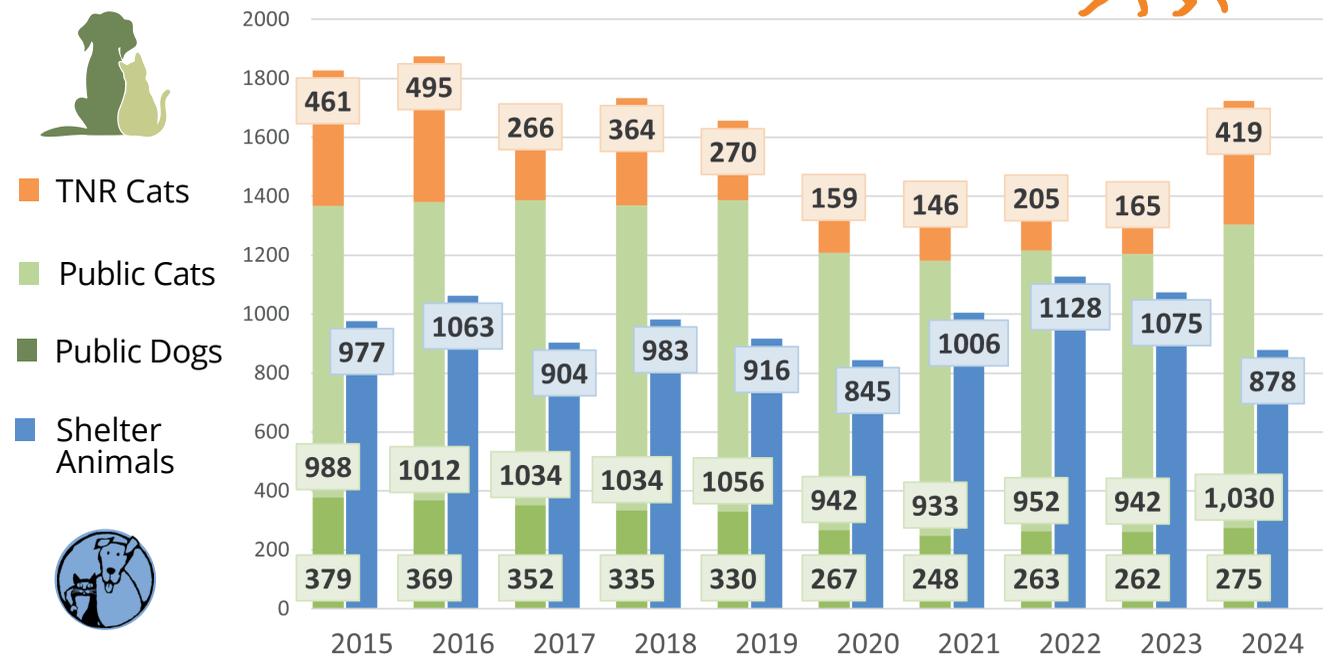
SPCA Animal Intake 2015-2024



In 2024 we held **50** low-cost spay/neuter clinics for pet owners in **Tompkins County and 18 surrounding counties** where low-cost options are not available. Through the clinics, 96 TNR cats were altered. A total of **1,497** were altered through the weekly clinics.



Spay & Neuter Statistics 2015-2024



In 2024, our medical team performed **1,765** medical procedures (increase of 24% from 2023) on **1,552** animals (increase of 13%). The total number of procedures includes **1,354** spay/neuter surgeries (77% of the total). The most common procedures beyond spay/neuter were dentals, eye procedures, amputations, hernia, and mass removals.



Between 2015 and 2024, a total of **2,950** feral cats were spayed or neutered by the SPCA and our clinic partners. With TNR, cats are trapped, brought to the SPCA for spay/neuter surgery, given rabies and distemper vaccinations, ear tipped, and tattooed at the surgical site. In 2024, **419** feral cats (which includes 184 cats from our Trap Neuter Tompkins (TNT) initiative in Newfield) were TNR through our spay/neuter clinics, shelter surgery days, and Cornell University (TNT).