


# Annual Report 2013



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 **FORT COLLINS**  
**CAT RESCUE**  
**& SPAY/NEUTER CLINIC**

# Rising to the test amid rising waters...

Dear Friends,

Nothing tests the strength of an organization like a natural disaster, and when the floods hit Northern Colorado in September 2013, Fort Collins Cat Rescue &

Spay/Neuter Clinic's strength was most definitely put to the test.

The first test was of our staff's ability to evacuate the shelter in just hours as the flood waters rose, choking off access to the cats in our care. Emptying the facility of dozens of kitties and locating safe, temporary housing that was still accessible by car

required the coordination of many employees, volunteers, and supporters. We were lucky that the waters never actually reached our building, but as we know, many people were not so fortunate.

The second and hardest test came when the flood waters receded and the damage in Northern Colorado became apparent. When people lose their homes, so do their four-legged family members. Left in the flood's wake were not only demolished communities but also



hundreds of cats with nowhere to go and no one to care for them any longer. For weeks our staff and volunteers worked tirelessly to save as many displaced cats and kittens as possible, and during this time we found ourselves with the largest number of felines in our care in our seven-year history – over 300.

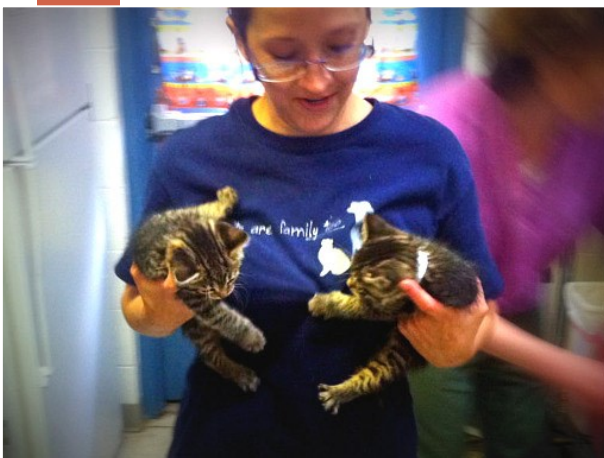
Not only did FCCRSNC pass these tests, but thanks to the support of our community we also grew bigger and stronger because of it. I'm proud to present you with our *2013 Annual Report* highlighting what our organization was able to achieve in the face of these challenges, because of **your** support. Let's keep up the great, life-saving work – **together!**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarah Swanty".

Sarah Swanty, CAWA  
Executive Director and Co-Founder

## Our History

Fort Collins Cat Rescue was established in June 2006 as an adoption guarantee, nonprofit cat shelter. In March 2007 the rescue opened Fort Collins Spay/Neuter, a low-cost sterilization clinic for both dogs and cats. In 2011, the name was officially changed to Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic to more fully incorporate the clinic. Since their inception, the shelter found homes for more than **5,900** cats, and the clinic performed over **26,500** surgeries on dogs and cats by end of 2013.



## Our Mission

Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic is dedicated to the well-being of all cats and dogs in our community with emphasis on preventing pet overpopulation and on the sheltering and placement of surrendered or abandoned cats into loving, permanent homes.



# Shelter Services

## Shelter Statistics

Intakes	Cats
Stray	373
Owner surrender/return	230
Transfer from in state	250
Transfer from out of state	360
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,213</b>

Outcomes	Cats
Adopted	1,132
Reclaimed by owner	5
Euthanized	32
Died	10
Transferred out	1
Other	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,181</b>



## Mobile Adoptions

We significantly increased the number and frequency of our weekend off-site adoption days, or “mobile” adoptions. One employee was specifically assigned to coordinate and staff these events, held most often at pet supply retailers in Fort Collins and Loveland. There were **142 off-site adoptions** in 2013.



## Kitty Collaborations

- ◆ 17 agencies from across eight states transferred **610 felines** to our shelter: *250 from within Colorado, 121 New Mexico, 89 California, 62 Wyoming, 37 Georgia, 31 Texas, 16 Nebraska, and 4 from South Dakota*
- ◆ Northern Colorado Friends of Ferals brought an additional **119 felines** to our shelter after trappings, including 57 rescued from an Evans mobile home park destroyed by the floods. The Colorado Kitty Coalition brought **32 felines** to FCCRSNC.

## Foster Program

Our volunteer foster program is our “shelter without walls,” and it became our only shelter for a few days in September when we had to evacuate during severe river flooding.

Our calls for help through social media were answered by 39 people who offered temporary shelter in their homes to 50 cats or kittens. An additional 112 volunteers or businesses made up the remainder of our foster program, allowing us to save even more lives.



- ◆ **882 felines spent some time in foster, or 73% of all intakes**

## Loveland Satellite Location

Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic opened a 517-sq.-ft. satellite location in Loveland on Oct. 7, 2013, to help increase cat adoptions after taking in over 200 cats displaced by severe river flooding in the region.

The Loveland Cat Adoption & Resource Center also helped broaden the reach of our services for pet owners and animals in need, including spay/neuter scheduling, Kibble Supply pet food distribution and application assistance for our Prevent A Litter Plus spay/neuter program.

**LOVELAND**

**CAT ADOPTION & RESOURCE CENTER**

an extension of FCCRSNC

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621 E. Eisenhower Blvd.

We were very excited for the opportunity to expand adoptions and make our important human services more accessible to southern Larimer County.

- ◆ **39 cats and kittens were adopted from the Loveland site**

# Clinic Services

## Clinic Statistics

Spay/Neuter Surgeries*	
Cats	2,497
Dogs	1,861
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,358</b>

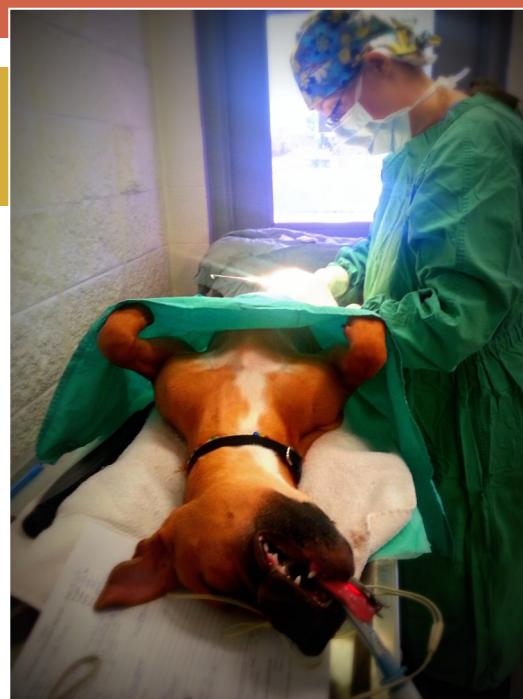
Vaccine Clinic Participants*	
Cats	1,243
Dogs	1,957
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,200</b>

\*Figures include PAL+ animals



## Rescue Groups that Used Our Clinic

*A Soft Place to Land*  
*Animal House Rescue & Grooming*  
*Animal Rescue Connection*  
*Big Dogs Huge Paws*  
*Black Dog Animal Rescue*  
*Canine Candor*  
*Colorado Beagle Rescue*  
*Colorado Canine Rescue*  
*ColoRADogs Rescue and Rehab*  
*Evergreen Animal Protection League*  
*Friends of Pets*  
*Front Range German Shepherd Rescue*  
*German Shepherd Rescue of the Rockies*  
*Golden Retriever Freedom Rescue*  
*Good Samaritan Pet Center*  
*Herding Rescue Dogs of Wyoming*  
*My Second Home Rescue*  
*Northern Colorado Friends of Ferals*  
*Paws and Claws*



*Retriever Rescue of Colorado*  
*Special Needs Animal Rescue & Rehabilitation*  
*Tibetan Terrier Rescue*  
*Western Australian Shepherd Rescue*  
*Western Border Collie Rescue*

## World Spay Day : February 26, 2013

We celebrated Spay Day 2013 by offering spay and neuter surgeries for only \$20 each to both cats and dogs. A total of **53 pets** were sterilized in our clinic on this single day.



The drastically reduced rate was made possible thanks to sponsors Poudre Pet & Feed Supply and Six Dog T-Shirt Co., and because the two veterinarians were volunteering their surgical skills and expertise that day.

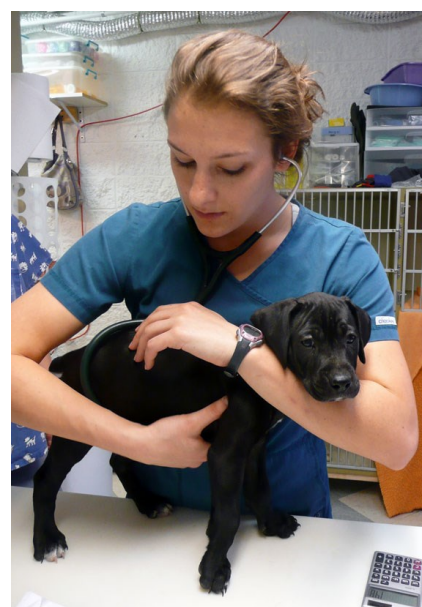
♦ **28 canines and 25 felines were altered on Spay Day**

## PetSmart Charities Spay/Neuter Blitzes



Thanks to a generous grant from PetSmart Charities, our clinic was able to participate in three national spay/neuter campaigns. Each month-long promotion targeted a specific species, age, sex or even breed (such as "Primp Your Pit") in order to reduce pet overpopulation.

Spay/Neuter Promotions	Month	Species	Total
Beat the Heat (females only)	February	Cats	<b>204</b>
Did You Know?	June	Puppies/Kittens	<b>173</b>
Primp Your Pit (Bull)	August	Dogs	<b>51</b>
<b>TOTAL pets altered with this grant funding</b>			<b>428</b>



# Human Services

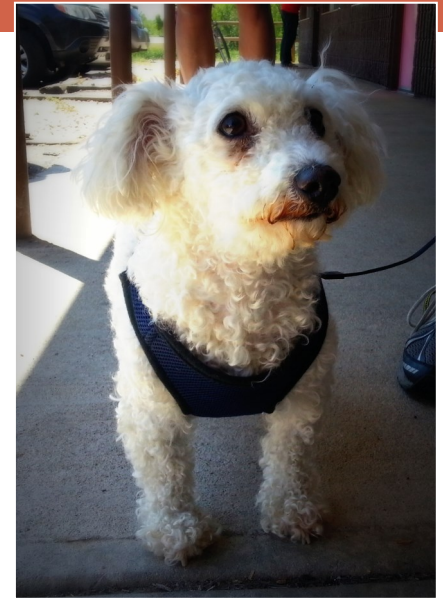
Keeping pets in loving homes and out of overcrowded shelters, where they may be euthanized, is key to our mission. As part of our surrender prevention efforts, we have developed multiple programs aimed at helping low-income pet owners care for their furry family members.

## Prevent A Litter Plus (PAL+)

TOTAL PETS SERVED\*: 527

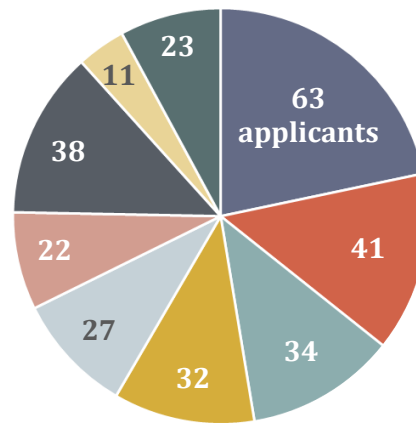
Services Performed	Cats	Dogs	TOTAL	% (of 527 Served)
Spay/Neuter Surgery	182	243	425	80.7% sterilized
Vaccines	229	233	462	87.7% vaccinated
Booster vaccines	55	76	131	24.9% boosted
Microchipping	14	51	65	12.3% microchipped

\*Variation in "TOTAL" column is due to individual animals receiving multiple services

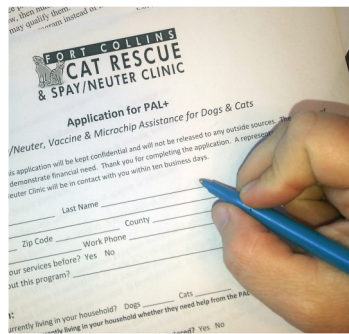


## PAL+ Applicants by Location

291 total applicants:  
201 unemployed,  
88 employed, 2 unknown



80524 FTC	21.7%
80526 FTC	14.0%
80537 LVLD	11.7%
80525 FTC	11.0%
80521 FTC	9.3%
80538 LVLD	7.6%
Larimer Cty. other	13.0%
Weld County	3.8%
Zip unknown	7.9%



The PAL+ program helped **291 pet owners** with free spay/neuter or discounted vaccinations and microchips for a combined **527 animals**. Participants had to demonstrate financial need through proof of low income or government assistance.

## Kibble Supply Pet Food Pantry



In 2013, we modified our pet food assistance program to provide only a supplemental amount of kibble instead of an entire month's supply. We also limited assistance to only *three months* before

proof of need was required. The goal was to make our food donations stretch further so that more pets and people could be helped. When participants were asked on the application why

they needed assistance with pet food, the top two reasons were their being on a government assistance program (58.6%); or being low income but not receiving government assistance (20.7%).

## Kibble Statistics

### Pet Food Distribution

<b>Number of Cats</b>	<b>639</b>
Dry cat food	7,066 lbs.
Wet cat food	1,490 cans
<b>Number of Dogs</b>	<b>299</b>
Dry dog food	7,650 lbs.
Wet dog food	101 cans
<b>Number of Pet Owners</b>	<b>203</b>
<b>TOTAL dry food distributed</b>	<b>14,716 lbs.</b>

# Volunteer Program



A team of **356 active volunteers** and 71 one-time helpers were involved in every program we offer. Volunteers assisted with spay/neuter surgery days at the clinic, fostered, distributed kibble, and staffed mobile adoption, outreach and fundraising events. Volunteer hours spent caring for shelter cats grew 23.4%.

After the floods in September, community support for our rescue efforts surged. From September to December we saw a **129.8% increase** in the number of new volunteers over 2012. For the entire year, volunteer hours **increased 63.9%**.

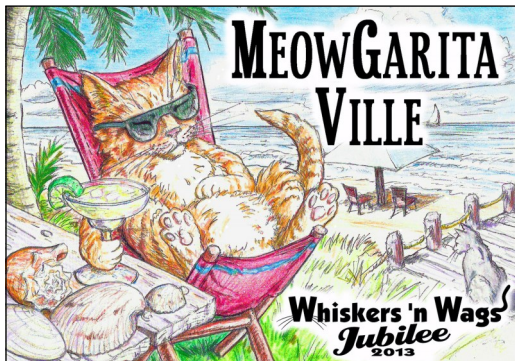


## Volunteer Statistics

### Volunteer Service Hours

Foster	26,316
Shelter	6,596
Offsite/Events	2,783
Spay/Neuter Clinic	1,447
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37,142</b>

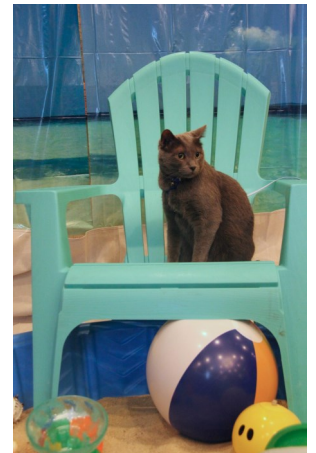
# Fundraising Events



## WWJ Event Committee

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Over 255 supporters attended our sixth annual fundraising dinner and auction, **Whiskers 'n Wags Jubilee**, at the Hilton Fort Collins. The "Meowgaritaville" themed gala featured live music by The Backline and a beachy photo booth with our therapy cat, Jake. The silent and live auctions helped **net \$63,000** to aid all of the cats in our care and to help support our spay/neuter clinic and human assistance programs.



## Sponsors

Presenting Sponsor  
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## Collaboration raises \$11,945

FCCRSNC partnered for the fourth year with Larimer Humane Society and Animal House Rescue

for the **Spay-ghetti & No Balls Dinner & Craft Fair**. The event, presented by Embassy Suites Loveland, raised over **\$3,900** for each group, a **14% increase** over 2012.



## Pie in the Face

Our **7th Birthday Party** raised **\$3,370** in June, including \$873 in donations during our first-ever "Pie in the Face" Contest.

# Thank You to Our Contributors

## Monetary Donations of \$1,000 and up

Hilary Allen	Teresa DeGuelle	Debra & Eric Jensen	Natural Balance Pet Foods	Lisa Sauer
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## Monetary Donations of \$500-\$999

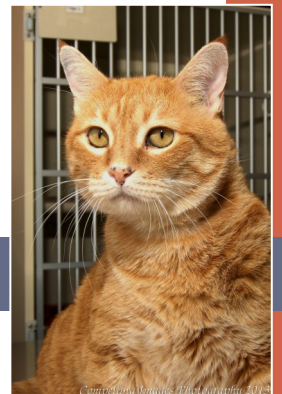
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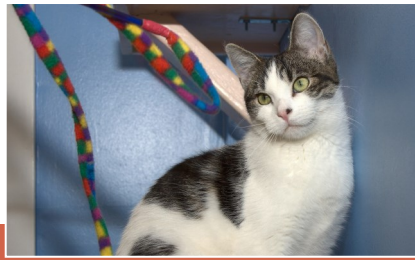
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## Grants : \$110,559 in awards

\$24,490	PetSmart Charities	\$3,552	Alley Cat Allies
\$18,000	Petco Foundation Disaster Relief	\$3,000	Foundation for Protection of Animals
\$15,500	Animal Assistance Foundation	\$2,000	Bohemian Foundation
\$10,000	Ahimsa Foundation	\$2,000	Greg Biffle Foundation
\$9,000	ASPCA	\$1,517	HSUS Spay Day Photo Contest
\$5,000	Anonymous foundation	\$1,100	Alice Jenkins Foundation
\$5,000	El Pomar Foundation: Freda Hambrick Fund	\$900	Society of Animal Welfare Administrators
\$4,500	Colorado Pet Overpopulation Fund	\$500	On Shore Foundation
\$4,000	Bernice Barbour Foundation	\$500	PetAid Colorado Disaster Services





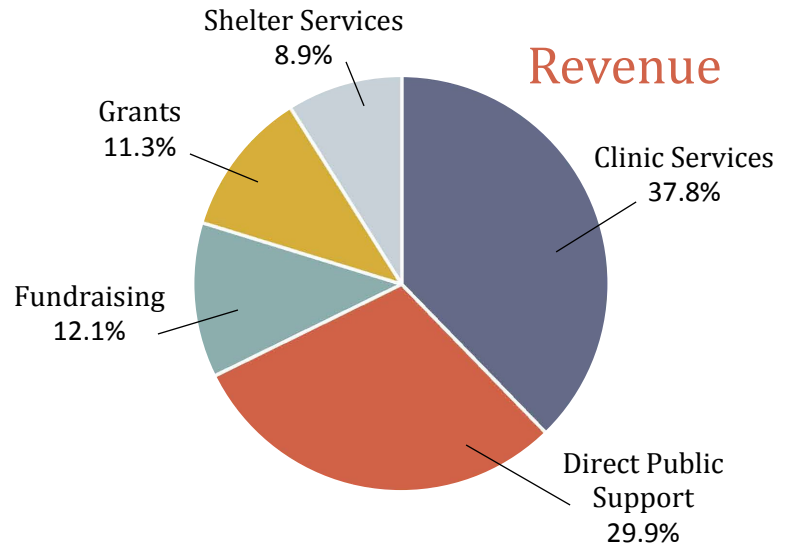
# 2013 Financials

## Revenue

Total: \$974,615

Clinic Services:	\$368,843 (37.8%)
Direct Public Support*:	\$291,101 (29.9%)
Fundraising:	\$117,693 (12.1%)
Grants:	\$110,559 (11.3%)
Shelter Services:	\$86,419 (8.9%)

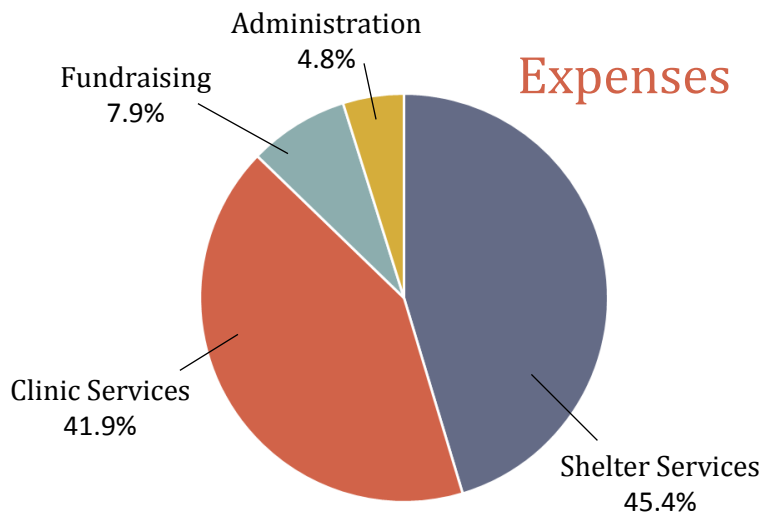
\*Monetary and in-kind donations



## Expenses

Total: \$922,234

Shelter Services:	\$418,297 (45.4%)
Clinic Services:	\$386,120 (41.9%)
Fundraising:	\$73,217 (7.9%)
Administration:	\$44,600 (4.8%)



## Ending Net Assets

Total: \$172,852

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