Dear Supporter,

I am pleased to present our 2013 annual report, which will offer you a glimpse of some of our accomplishments over the last year.

With thanks due in no small part to the talents of our staff members and volunteers we increased our adoptions a dramatic 50% from 2012! We worked collaboratively with over 30 shelters to save dogs (and a guinea pig) and find them their forever homes. Through the hard work and dedication of our team we were able to save more lives than ever.

Last year, our outreach and education efforts continued to grow. We participated in more than 40 events and collaborated with animal welfare organizations in Colorado and Wyoming like Black Dog Animal Rescue, Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic, and Larimer Humane Society. Our biggest adoption event of the year was the ASPCA’s Mega Match-a-thon which we co-hosted with the Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic, together over 50 animals found their homes in one weekend!

This year we also launched an innovative program: Rescues for Retirees. At Animal House we recognize the strength of the human-animal bond and it’s limitless benefits. Over the years we have placed thousands of amazing animals into loving homes. These animals have more love to give and we wanted to find a way to connect them to those who need it most. We had 5 teams composed of an adoptee from Animal House and their handler go through our training program and become certified with Pet Partners. These teams have begun working in area nursing homes and assisted living facilities providing their comfort to those in need.

We are so pleased by how Animal House has progressed over the years. Every day we strive to make it a better place with better services for companion animals and the people who care for them. Every day we remember that Animal House would and could not exist without the support of people like you. On behalf of all of us here, I thank you for your commitment to giving every dog a second chance, now and in years to come.

Sincerely,

Ali Eccleston
Executive Director
Our Mission

The mission of Animal House is to decrease the euthanasia rate of adoptable animals by:

- Collaborating with overpopulated and underserved shelters.
- Providing the community with education, information and outreach.
- Providing adoption opportunities for homeless animals and giving them what they need most — time to find their forever homes.

Board of Directors

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Over 3,400 Lives Saved!

SENIOR STAFF
Executive Director- Ali Eccleston
Staff Veterinarian- Talia Agone, DVM
Shelter Manager- Stephanie Barclay
Asst Shelter Manager & Foster Care Coordinator - Gillian Rankin
Volunteer & Enrichment Coordinator- Kim Clarkson
Salon Manager- Corey Pantano

Services

ADOPTIONS - At Animal House, we believe in life matches. We take the time to learn about our dogs so both pets and people find their forever matches.

GROOMING - Let your dog save other dogs. Through our professional grooming facility, we give the community a great way to support our shelter.

MICROCHIPPING - To help pets find their way back home, we offer low-cost microchipping identification. It’s quick and easy, and gives you and your pet a lifetime of security.
SHELTER SERVICES - Animal House supports open-admission, over-burdened shelters, both statewide and nationally. Partnering with higher-populated and underserved communities, we provide both emotional and physical relief to animal shelters that have little choice but to euthanize dogs due to constraints of time and space. We provide services to more than 25 open-admission shelters, and we are an adoption-guarantee shelter.

FOSTER CARE PROGRAM - Since the environment of an animal shelter is not suitable for all dogs, we recognize that we are fortunate to have an extensive foster care program. This program enables us to house puppies, senior-aged dogs, dogs with special needs, and dogs for which we simply may not have space at the shelter. By utilizing our network of foster homes, we ensure that all dogs in our care get the best chance at finding their forever homes.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM - Volunteers are the foundation of our shelter and the reason we’ve been able to build a successful organization. From dog walking, adoption counseling to fundraising, Animal House has many opportunities for volunteers. With thanks to our many dedicated volunteers, we simply ARE because of them!

CANINE COACHES - Behavior enrichment is a priority for every dog that comes to us. We have developed a program for our senior volunteers that provides our dogs with one-on-one enrichment as well as skills to help them transition into their new homes with ease. Adopters and their dogs are also invited to attend follow-up workshops with one of our coaches.

EDUCATION/OUTREACH - Empathy and compassion are two of the most important things we can inspire in our youth and our community. Through hands-on volunteering opportunities, informational tours and outreach booths, Animal House invites people to become more involved in general, and better canine companions in particular.

RESCUES FOR RETIREES - We recognize the importance of the human-animal bond at Animal House. Adopted dogs and their handlers are certified through Pet Partners and become part of the Rescues for Retirees team that provides one on one animal assisted therapy to local nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Community Involvement & Outreach

2013 Locations & Events, to name just a few...

- Bath Nursery Dirty Dog Wash
- Camp Bow Wow Bark-B-Q
- CSU Student Involvement Day
- Denver Pet Expo
- Doggy Olympics
- Fire Hydrant 5k
- Hodi’s Half Note
- Kid’s First Camp
- McGraw Elementary
- New West Fest
- Odell Brewing Company
- Paws on the Promenade
- Petco
- Phantom 4-Miler
- Poudre Pet & Feed
- St. Patrick’s Day Parade
- Snooze
- Spaghettii & No Balls & Craft Fair
- United Way Make a Difference Day
- Wagz Pet Market
- We are Family w/LHS&FCCR
Second Chances by the Numbers

Animal House provides each animal with important medical care, such as vaccinations, heartworm testing, spaying/neutering and microchipping; taking responsibility for these homeless animals means securing the right to health for all of them, both physically and emotionally, to the very best of our ability. We proudly accomplish this by operating with an efficient budget. A steady increase in revenue in 2013 allowed us to increase the services we were able to provide, establishing us as a healthy organization with a strong future in which more dogs will be given a second chance.

Intake: 798 dogs

Grants & Public Support $153,839
Shelter Services $164,871
Grooming Services $121,220
Fundraising Events $33,838
In Kind Donations $23,262
Released Revenue $6,581

Total Support $503,611

SUPPORT

- Grants & Public Support
- Shelter Services
- Grooming Services
- Fundraising Events
- In Kind Donations
- Released Revenue

Total Expenses $444,405

Program $391,690
Fundraising $29,182
Administrative $23,533

Adoptions: 771
As with most shelters, adoption fees cover just a small percentage of our operating costs. Shelters need strong donor-support programs to operate successfully, and Animal House, relying on support from grants, fundraisers and donations, is no exception. Through workplace matching and our monthly sponsorship program, and by participating in the Colorado Combined Campaign, we are able to save more and more lives every year. We are grateful to each and every donor who makes our work possible.

**GRANTS**
- ASPCA
- Build A Bear Foundation
- Loretta Boyd Charitable Trust
- OtterCares Foundation
- The Tess Evans Charitable Foundation

**FUNDRAISERS ($36,800 of $75,819 raised)**
- 5th Annual Fall Harvest Brewfest $15,000
- 3rd Annual Spayghetti & No Balls $3,500
- 3rd Annual Yankee Candle Sale $1,300
- 1st Annual Choice City Comedy Nite $10,000
- 4th Annual Dirty Dog Wash $1,000