



January 12, 2023
Angie Gunter
Chief Executive Officer
Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA
(434) 973-5959 ext. 312
agunter@caspca.org

Charlottesville, VA
Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA Celebrates Record-Breaking Achievements

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA (January 12, 2023) – The Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA had the highest number of adoptions in the history of the organization in 2022. Last year, due to the hard work and dedication of employees and foster families, 3,803 pets were adopted. The SPCA also increased its canine live release rate to 99% and its feline live release rate to 98%, both the highest on record for the organization.

Of the 4,429 animals that the SPCA took in last year, 1,635 were animals transported in due to being at risk of euthanasia in their home shelter. The SPCA was able to save these animals thanks to its supportive community of foster families, which accepted 2,698 pets as fosters, and assisted with getting 1,748 of them adopted directly from foster.

In 2022, the SPCA's clinic performed 1,213 lifesaving surgical procedures, the highest on record for the organization. The clinic also spayed or neutered 5,585 animals, including 2,912 public animals and 2,673 shelter animals, in an effort to reduce overpopulation and animal homelessness, and implanted microchips in 2,000 pets, ensuring they would be able to be returned to their owners. In addition, the SPCA held its highest number of Compassionate Care Clinics in 2022, which provided an opportunity for community members to bring pets to the shelter or visit the Compassionate Care-A-Van in their neighborhood for low-cost veterinary exams and more. Through 38 Compassionate Care Clinics last year, compared to 24 the previous year, 263 pets and 192 families were served.

"I am happy to report that our dedication as an organization to increase adoptions, transports and pet retention in 2022 paid off," said Angie Gunter, Chief Executive Officer of the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA. "We could not have impacted the lives of thousands of animals without the support of our community and dedicated staff."

About the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA: *The Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA is proud to have maintained the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County as a No Kill community,*

providing life-saving care to thousands of animals in the region. The mission of the SPCA is to advance the compassionate treatment of animals by providing sheltering, medical care and behavioral services for dogs and cats; promoting permanent, caring homes; and furthering education and outreach to place healthy animals in caring homes.

###