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cincinnati

Fiscal Year 2023  
Annual Report



IN **2023**, THE CHOW NOW  
PANTRY DISTRIBUTED **72,468**  
POUNDS OF PET FOOD TO PET  
PARENTS IN NEED

IN **2023**, OUR HUMANE  
EDUCATION EXPERTS TAUGHT  
STUDENTS IN **154** CLASSROOMS



## A Message from the President & CEO

Dear Friends of the **SPCA Cincinnati**,

Originally founded as the Ohio Humane Society in 1873, the **SPCA Cincinnati** is the state of Ohio's first humane society. The **SPCA Cincinnati** helped shape Ohio laws against animal cruelty and aided in establishing humane societies in every Ohio county. Today, the **SPCA Cincinnati** is a no-kill shelter recognized as one of America's leading humane societies. We are locally funded through the community and not affiliated with any national organization. *The money raised here stays here!*



Stay tuned to our emails and social media as the year 2024 will bring many exciting new programs and changes including the expansion of support for U.S. Active Military Members and Veterans. We currently have our **Dogs on Duty Leave Program**, the annual **Veterans Day Celebration**, and our **U.S. Active Military and Veterans Pet Adoption Sponsorships**. We are excited to announce that these sponsorships will now provide free professional dog training for Active Military Members and Veterans.

Our **Chow Now Pantry**, which distributes pet food to those in need including a monthly stop at the Cincinnati VA Medical Center, has also grown by leaps and bounds. In 2023, we distributed even more pet food – *over 72,000 pounds!* On November 15, 2023, we opened a dedicated **Chow Now Pantry** location in Lockland in conjunction with Pets in Need.

Thank you for being such an integral part of the **SPCA Cincinnati** family. We look forward to continuing the legacy of a brighter, kinder future for our community.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Retzlaff".

Mike Retzlaff,  
**President & CEO**  
**SPCA Cincinnati**

## A Message from the Immediate Past Chair

Dear Friends of the **SPCA Cincinnati**,

We celebrated a huge milestone in the year 2023 - the 150th anniversary of **SPCA Cincinnati's** service to the animals and people of the Greater Cincinnati area! It's because of compassionate people like you that we are still thriving today, a century and a half later. I also want to share my heartfelt appreciation for our hardworking, tireless Donors, Staff, and Volunteers over the years who have fought for the humane treatment of animals. They created community programs and expanded our impact across diverse groups. It's so wonderful to be around a group of caring individuals who never stop looking for ways to help.



Not long after 2023 came to a close and we rang in the year 2024, we celebrated another milestone - the appointment of Joelle Ragland as our first female Board Chair. With a rich background spanning advertising and interior design, and previous board experience at 4C For Children and Summit Country Day, Joelle brings invaluable expertise and passion to our mission. Her deep love for animals and dedication was evident in her past role as Gala Chair for our 20th Annual Fur Ball in which we reached a record-breaking \$500,000 milestone! Her leadership promises new initiatives in 2024, ensuring the **SPCA Cincinnati's** continued evolution and service. Joelle, backed by her supportive family and beloved pets, embodies the compassion and tenacity needed for our future. It's been a pleasure serving as Board of Trustees Chair for all these years. Thank you for being the voice of the voiceless!

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Chatham

**2023 Board of Trustees Chair**

**SPCA Cincinnati**

## A Message from the Chair

Dear Friends of the **SPCA Cincinnati**,

Growing up as an only child, my dog was almost like a sibling. This deep connection with an animal had a very positive impact on me. Later, as I became educated on what the **SPCA Cincinnati** does for our community, I knew I had to get involved. As Fur Ball Chair for the 20th Annual Gala and now, as Board Chair, I'm honored to dedicate my time to helping shelter pets in need find their forever families so that more people can experience the same profound experience I had with my childhood dog.

As we turn the page from 150 years to the next chapter of our future, our goal is to be a driving force for animal welfare well into the next 150 years. We have many programs and initiatives designed to support our community, with more to unveil in 2024. The **SPCA Cincinnati** touches so many aspects of the population from children to seniors and Veterans to domestic violence survivors. We have so much good work ahead of us!

It is my sincerest hope that our community will learn of the value that the **SPCA Cincinnati** provides and that it motivates more kind souls to get involved. Our organization is not nationally funded and thrives off generosity alone. A quote that I hold most dear to my heart is, "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated."

Warm regards,



Joelle Ragland  
**2024 Board of Trustees Chair**  
**SPCA Cincinnati**



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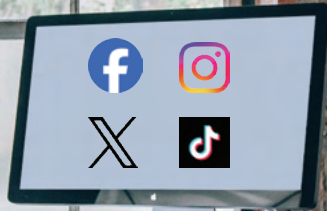
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INSTAGRAM: 7,555

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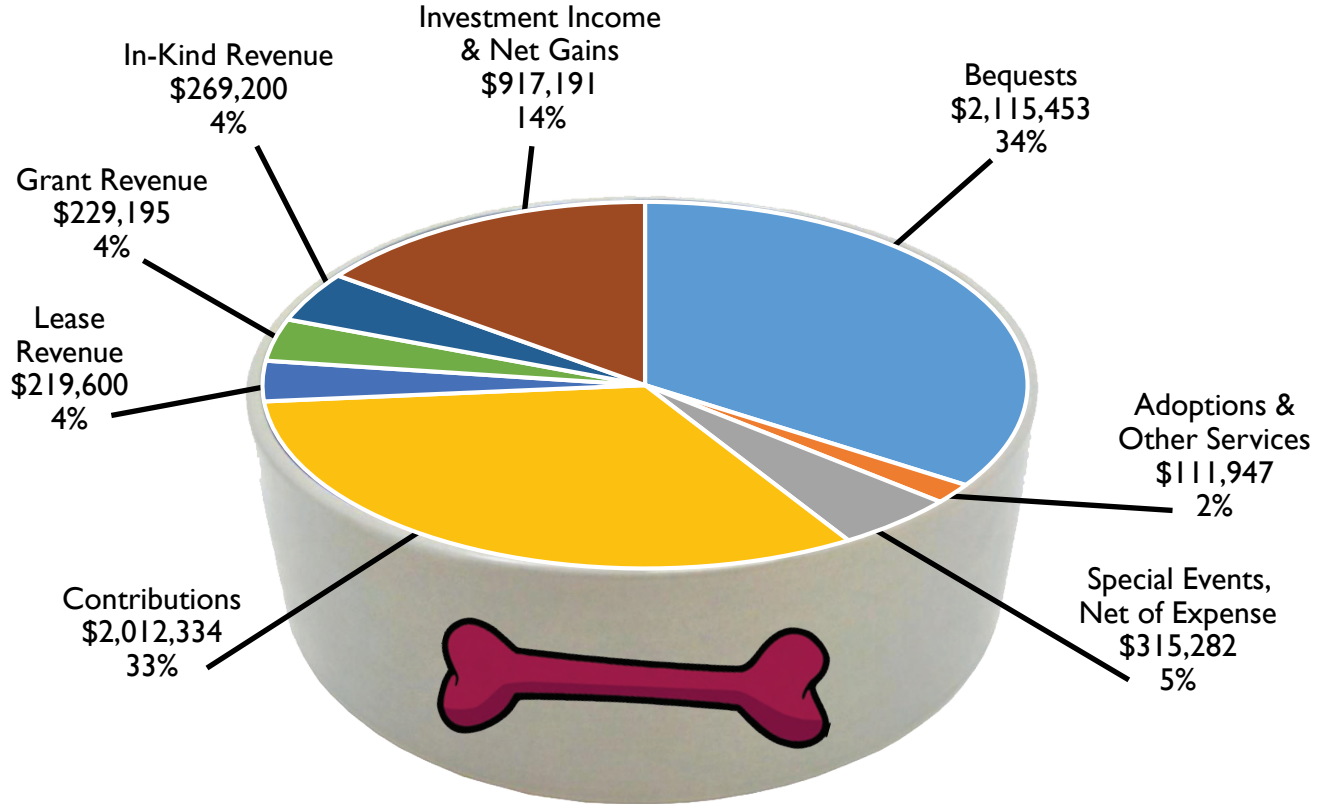


Since 1873, the **SPCA Cincinnati** has saved countless animals. In 2023:

- **2,844** animals entered our facilities
- **2,635** pets were adopted
- **858** at-risk kittens received specialized care by staff, volunteers, and fosters
- **1,134** spay/neuter surgeries were performed
- **1,059** animals were transferred into the SPCA Cincinnati through its Shelter2Shelter transport program
- More than 830 animals were in foster care
- Through partnerships with area rescues and animal welfare agencies, we transferred **171** animals from our facilities
- Through the generosity of donors, over a hundred adoptions were paid for through our Paw It Forward Program

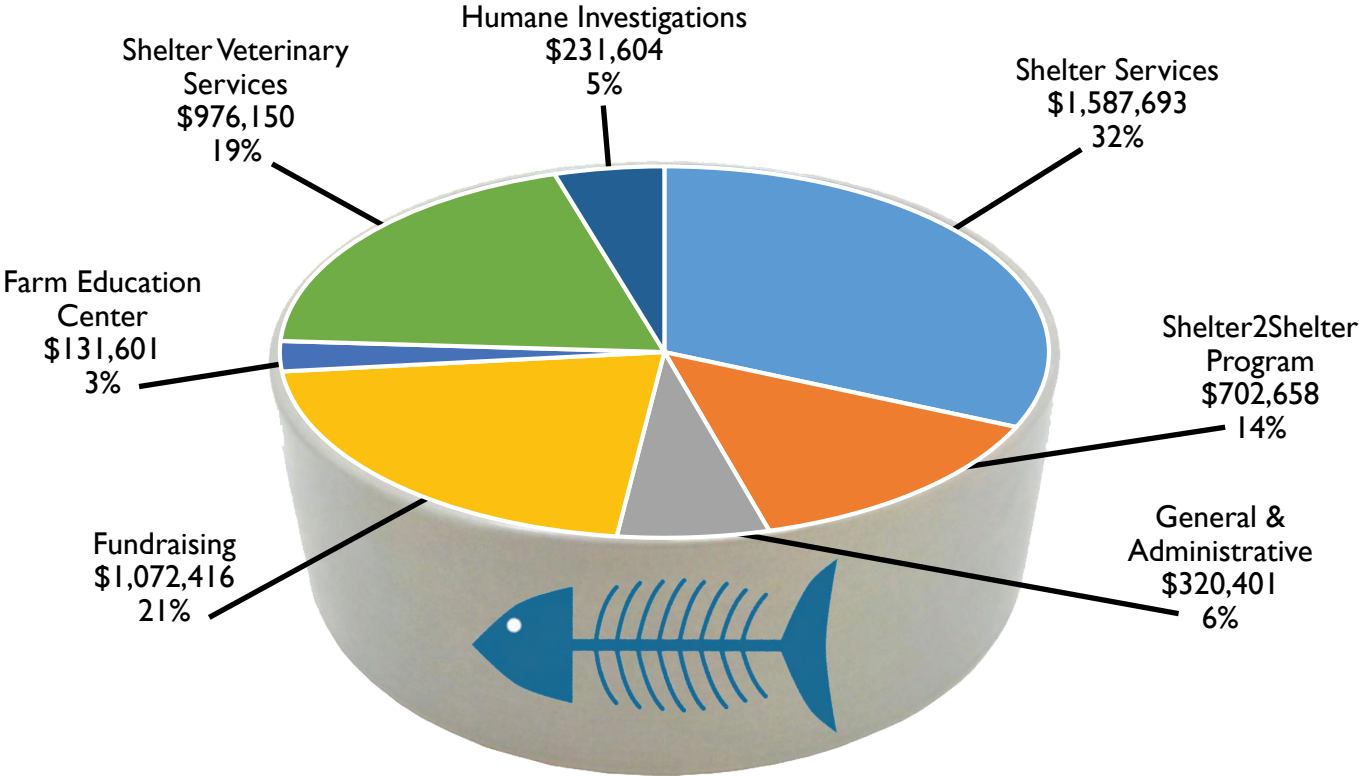


**2023 Income: \$6,190,202**



Net Assets (as of 12/31/2023): \$24,741,321

# 2023 Expenses: \$5,022,523



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**In 2023, 262 Volunteers worked 17,222 hours, saving the SPCA Cincinnati \$547,659**

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In **2023**, **262** individual volunteers donated **17,222** hours of service and **36** companies and groups donated **711** hours of service



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OCTOBER 14

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all you do for  
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