



Five Acres Animal Shelter Reports a Successful 2022 and Kicks off 50th Anniversary Year

ST. CHARLES, MO – January 24, 2023– Five Acres Animal Shelter is excited to report its impact on the community in 2022 with one of its most successful and transformational years. This report comes as Five Acres Animal shelter celebrates its 50th year of service to the animals and people of St. Charles County.

In its [annual report](#), Five Acres Animal Shelter cites its impact in the following ways in 2022:

- 1,938 animals rescued
- 1,604 animals adopted
- 1,158 animals placed in foster homes
- 20,544 volunteer hours served which is equivalent to \$615,292 in donated time from its volunteer community
- 1,043 animals spayed or neutered
- 701 families served through its AniMeals pet food pantry program

“2022 was a transformational year for Five Acres Animal Shelter. It was the year we centered our strategy on the [Human Animal Support Services \(HASS\) model](#), which will serve the community with programs to keep people and their pets together, said Board President, Becky Pogorzelski. “We will continue to serve in a traditional shelter capacity, but we look forward to more programs like AniMeals that will help pets stay where they want to be—home with their people. We aim to create more community-centered programs in 2023 and beyond because we think that is where we can see a positive, incremental impact on our community.”

As it looks forward, the organization is planning a series of events to celebrate its 50th anniversary and raise funding for its mission in 2023. On Saturday, July 29th the organization will host a new event called Golden Paw Gala at Ameristar Casino. It also plans to host a Street Paw-ty birthday celebration on its campus on September 16th that will be open to all in the community. **The organization invites supporters to save the date for both.** More details are forthcoming. Five Acres Animal Shelter is proud to partner with [Treats Unleashed](#), a Champion Sponsor of its 50th anniversary celebrations.

“I’m thrilled to have joined the organization during such a monumental time with our 50th celebration,” said Jeana Roth, [Five Acres’ new Executive Director](#). “As we enter 2023 and our 50th year fulfilling our mission to help end pet homelessness, promote responsible pet ownership, and advocate for animal welfare— we have exciting endeavors on the horizon that will help both pets and people. We can’t wait to share our new community-centric shelter model with you, and continue our impact of keeping pets happy and healthy.”

About Five Acres Animal Shelter

Five Acres Animal Shelter is the largest no-kill animal shelter in St. Charles County, Missouri with a save rate of over 98%. Most of its animals come from private citizens who cannot keep their pets for one

reason or another. Five Acres staff and volunteers love and care for them until they find another family to join. Five Acres works with local animal control facilities and other overcrowded shelters in Missouri and other parts of the country to transfer animals to Five Acres to save them from euthanasia. In 2022, Five Acres Animal Shelter enhanced its strategy to implement the [Human Animal Support Services \(HASS\) model](#) aimed at keeping people and their pets together, is on pace to care for 2,000 animals over the course of the year and will help over 500 families with its AniMeals pet food pantry program. Donors help the organization provide care for these animals and contribute to our community programs, whether making a monetary or in-kind donation, volunteering, or fostering an animal. Five Acres Animal Shelter is a 501c3 non-profit organization and relies on private donations, corporate support, events, and grants. To learn more about Five Acres Animal Shelter visit its [website](#), [blog](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), or [YouTube](#).

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