

2020 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020

Opened for Business March 1, 2016



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ABOUT US:

Clay County Animal Rescue & Education Center, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3), volunteer driven organization dedicated to rescuing, caring for and adopting out homeless dogs into loving and responsible forever homes. We educate the public on respect for all animal life, including the importance of feral animals being spayed or neutered in order to reduce their numbers in our communities. Our organization goes beyond the confines of shelter walls to build an extensive network of knowledgeable, experienced, talented and caring individuals who share these common goals.

We opened our doors for business on March 1, 2016. At this time we only take in dogs.

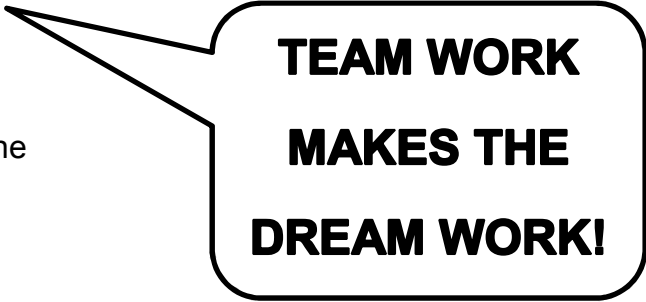
OUR MISSION:

The Clay County Animal Rescue & Education Center (CCARE) is an animal care facility dedicated to improving the lives of companion animals in our communities and finding permanent and loving adoptive homes for the animals in our care. We provide a safe haven for animals in transition, serve as advocates for them and their people, work to end overpopulation and educate the public about compassion and responsibility towards all animals. CCARE strives to be a No-Kill facility where all incoming animals are evaluated, medically treated, rehabilitated when needed and euthanized only out of necessity based on the animal's quality of life needs.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

From board meetings, to countless fundraisers, to working tirelessly at the shelter, our Board of Directors accomplishes a lot. We are so lucky to have committed and caring members, who contribute in such unique and important ways. When times are tough, we support one another, we give our time and efforts, and most importantly - we always find a way.

Janel Michaud, President
Preston Rook, Vice-President
Christine Murchison, Secretary
Sandy Fox, Treasurer
Eva Standlea, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
George Murchison, Member
Patricia Halstead, Member
Shaley Johnson, Member
Scott Milliman, Shelter Executive Director



**TEAM WORK
MAKES THE
DREAM WORK!**

2020 COVID-19

The pandemic of 2020 affected the operation of our shelter and our fundraising efforts.

- We kept our dog numbers low, compared to previous years.
- We suspended our volunteer resources for several months to limit their exposure to others.
- We kept kennel space open for surrenders from families that could not afford to care for their dogs because of the pandemic.
- We implemented an outreach dog food program to provide dog food for those families with limited resources.
- Shelter operations were by appointment only for most of the year.
- No in-person fundraising events.
- No in-person off site adoption events.
- No outreach booths at events.
- No youth outreach activities.
- No microchip clinic.

2020 FUNDRAISING AND DONATIONS

CCARE continues to raise funds by holding fundraisers throughout the year.

*70 Percent of our 2020 fundraising was from Clear the Shelter (Business Sponsorships) and Gather for Good Match Day Donations.

CCARE Clear the Shelter*
Meal Scramble at UMC
CCARE Supporter Shirt
Chewy
Facebook Fundraisers
Egg Your Yard
Gather For Good Match Day*
Community/Youth Fundraisers
CCBA Voting

\$29,621

Amazon Smile
Wish Lists
CCARE Calendar
Santa Paws
CCARE Window Cling
Donation Box
TNR Fundraisers
Best Choice Labels

We have great support from our community! Many wonderful private citizens make their annual gift of giving to CCARE. Some donations are designated to a specific cause and others are a memorial for a loved one. We also receive In-Kind donations.

\$18,645

Clay Center City Council and Clay County Commissioners provide support to CCARE because the city and county have no means to take care of the unwanted, lost and abandoned animals in the community.

\$27,000

We received a SPARKS GRANT from Clay County in 2020 due to our limited fundraising because of COVID restrictions.

\$10,000

We received a SBA Paycheck Protection Program Loan in 2020 due to COVID. This loan was forgiven for Utilities and Payroll.

\$5,830

Interest, Dividends, and Gains on banking accounts and Greater Manhattan Community Foundation Investments (Gather for Good Donations).

\$3,677

Donations are always appreciated. You can make a single donation or recurring donation online at <http://www.ccareinc.org/donate>. Donations can also be mailed to Union State Bank c/o Sandy Fox, PO Box 518, Clay Center KS 67432. Make your check payable to CCARE.

Please consider CCARE for your end of year giving. Planned giving opportunities express your love for animals through a bequest to CCARE.

We also rely on the community for donations of dog food and cleaning supplies. All donations are tax-deductible under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code.

2020 FEES

We are the only animal shelter in Clay County, Kansas. We accept strays from the public for a fee of \$40, and from the Clay Center Law Enforcement.

We have agreements with several other cities in Clay County to accept strays for a fee. We also accept out-of-county strays for a fee of \$75.

We accept owner surrenders for a fee of \$50 if they are vaccinated; and \$75 if they are not vaccinated. Owners can reclaim their lost pets for a \$30 fee. Shelter Director has discretion to discount fees based on individual circumstances.

\$2,522

Adoption fees are based on age: \$175-\$200 for puppies and \$150 for all other dogs. The Shelter Director and the board have discretion to discount adoption fees to place an elderly or special needs dog with a family.

\$10,094

All dogs that are adopted include the following:

Health Exam
Rabies Vaccination
Bordetella Vaccination
Heartworm Test
Medical Treatment, as necessary
24PetWatch Microchip
30 Days Free 24PetHealth Insurance

Spay or Neuter
Distemper/Parvo Vaccination
Deworming
Fecal Test
Flea/Tick Treatment/Preventative
Heartworm Preventative

CCARE does not have a veterinarian on site. Dr. Eva Standlea, DVM, is the On-Call Veterinarian. Janel Michaud is the On-Call Vet Tech.

CCARE does not have a groomer on site. Local groomers volunteer their time to provide grooming services to CCARE animals.

2020 EXPENSES

Building and property maintenance continues. In 2020, we planted a flower garden to improve the building exterior, replaced turf in the exercise yard, along with other building repairs.

\$5,956

The only paid employees are the Shelter Director and one part-time employee. Employment expenses include salary, payroll taxes and Workman Comp insurance.

\$37,832

Dog care expenses include medical, food, treats, microchips, etc. TNR Expenses for our feral cat program.

\$5,822

Building and Vehicle expenses include building mortgage interest and principal, depreciation, property taxes, property and vehicle insurance, liability insurance. We purchased a new-to-us transport van in February and a metal carport.

\$30,324

Miscellaneous expenses include supplies, postage, licenses, web page maintenance, legal fees, bank fees, service charges, volunteer expenses, travel and mileage fundraising expenses, and other fees.

\$6,970

Utility expenses include gas, electric, water, trash, phone, and internet.

\$8,668

NOTE: Priorities in 2021 are the Trap Neuter/Spay Return (TNR) program for feral cats in the community; fundraising, and exterior improvements.

2020 VOLUNTEERS

CCARE is a volunteer driven shelter. The Shelter Director and one part-time employee are the only paid employees. There are many volunteers, including the CCARE Board of Directors, that assist with front desk, computer input, photography, Web maintenance, accounting, committees, animal care, training, socializing and walking dogs, grooming, cleaning, laundry, fundraising, transporting, adoption events, facility maintenance, etc.

1,714 Hours

(12,240 Hours
since we opened)

If you cannot make a monetary donation, please consider volunteering to work at the shelter, at adoption events, transports, special projects, or lead a committee or program.

CCARE always needs capable volunteers to help with dog care, dog walking, grooming and socializing, cleaning, laundry, building maintenance, etc. We also have a Foster Program.

A Trap Neuter/Spay Return (TNR) program for feral cats will be implemented in 2021.

Complete an online volunteer application at <http://www.ccareinc.org/volunteer-application>

INTAKES

INTAKE TYPE	2020	2016 - 2019	Total
Stray	78	426	504
Owner Surrender	46	359	405
Seized by LEO		6	6
Transfer In From Other Rescue	20	34	54
Spay/Neuter Clinic	0	4	4
TOTAL	144	829	973

INTAKE SUB TYPE	2020	2016 - 2019	Total
Public Drop Off/Abandoned	22	184	206
Public Drop Off by LEO Dispatch	12		12
Law Enforcement Drop Off	44	197	241
ACO Drop Off (2016 only)		41	41
Owner Surrenders/Returns	46	346	392
Born at CCARE (puppies)		22	22
Spay/Neuter Clinic (2016 only)		4	4
Transfer In From Other Rescue	20	34	54
Bite Quarantine		1	1
TOTAL	144	829	973

INTAKES BY MONTH					
MONTH	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
January	10	14	22	20	0
February	12	13	28	12	0
March	14	19	23	17	19
April	9	25	9	13	10
May	12	15	13	23	9
June	18	17	11	29	11
July	15	9	18	30	23
August	15	23	32	32	12
September	11	15	25	12	10
October	11	21	18	24	27
November	8	14	19	15	16
December	9	20	8	17	28
TOTAL	144	205	226	233	165

INTAKE JURISDICTION STRAYS ONLY	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	TOTAL
Clay Center (city limits)	56	98	70	80	69	317
Clay County (country)	8	12	25	12	10	59
Clifton	5		1	3	0	4
Cloud County (country)	1		1	0	2	3
Clyde		3				3
Green			1	0	4	5
Longford	2	1	1	0	0	2
Miltonvale		1	6	8	3	18
Morganville	1	1				1
Out of Clay County (other counties)		5	6	4	0	15
Wakefield	5		2	2	0	4
TOTAL	78	121	113	109	88	431

Strays are immediately posted online as Lost and Finds on the CCARE website <http://www.ccareinc.org/lost-and-found-pets>.

Owner surrenders are posted online, after evaluation, as Available on the CCARE website <http://www.ccareinc.org/available-animals>.

Available dogs are also posted online at www.petfinder.com, www.adoptapet.com, www.petango.com, Instagram and Facebook.

OUTCOME

<u>OUTCOME</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2016 – 2019</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Adoption	88	486	574
Reclaimed by Owner	60	300	360
Transfer Out to Other Rescue		13	13
Died		3	3
DOA (born dead)		4	4
Euthanized	1**	7	8
Spay/Neuter Clinic		4	4
TOTAL	149	817	966

**Court Order

	<u>ADOPTIONS BY MONTH</u>				
<u>MONTH</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
January	9	9	18	7	0
February	7	7	13	8	0
March	9	7	18	15	7
April	8	12	15	15	8
May	7	4	3	8	5
June	8	7	8	13	6
July	3	7	10	13	9
August	10	19	22	15	8
September	6	9	11	13	9
October	7	10	10	18	8
November	7	12	10	6	12
December	7	9	6	13	14
TOTAL	88	112	144	144	86

In August, CCARE participates in the nationwide “Clear the Shelters” event.

CCARE periodically holds adoption events at PetSmart, PETCO, KSNT and other community events out of town and in Clay Center. Due to COVID in 2020, there were no out of town adoption events, except for KSNT TV.

	ADOPTIONS BY JURISDICTION				
<u>Location</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Clay Center (city limits)	24	39	27	30	31
Clay County (outside Clay Center)	7	13	29	26	21
Other Kansas Counties (14)	55	51	79	80	25
California				-	1
Colorado		2	1		
Iowa		1			
Maine				-	1
Missouri	1		2	2	1
Nebraska	1	6	6	5	4
Texas				1	1
Wisconsin				-	1
TOTAL	88	112	144	144	86

All adopters come to Clay Center to adopt their dog, and many others come from other counties/States as potential adopters.

LENGTH OF STAY

<u>2020 AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY</u>	
<u>Intake Type*</u>	<u>Average Days**</u>
Owner Surrenders	22.9
Returned Adoptions	33.3
Transferred In	35.1

Strays that are reclaimed by their owners usually have a length of stay no more than 3 business days, unless arrangements are made between the owner and CCARE.

Strays that are not claimed by their owner within 3 full business days become the property of CCARE and are then available for adoption, after evaluation.

**Average Days are based on 'Outcome Date' for owner surrenders with an intake and outcome in 2020.

2020 SPAY/NEUTER

All dogs adopted from CCARE are required to be spayed or neutered. CCARE has a contract with the Kansas State University Department of Veterinary Medicine – Mobile Surgery Unit to spay and neuter the CCARE dogs available for adoption for free. Some dogs have to be spayed/neutered by a local vet, which CCARE pays for the surgery.

We saved thousands of dollars by receiving the free spay and neuter surgeries from Kansas State University Department of Veterinary Medicine – Mobile Surgery Unit.

Note: When the Mobile Surgery Unit cannot come to Clay Center, CCARE transports the dogs to the Mobile Surgery Unit for spay and neuters. Either the Shelter Director transports the dogs, or we have volunteers that transport the dogs and CCARE reimburses mileage to the volunteers.

END OF YEAR STATUS

STATUS OF DOGS IN CCARE ON DECEMBER 31, 2020 (END OF YEAR):

- 7 Available for Adoption

2020 MICROCHIP

Microchipping offers pet owners the security and peace of mind that comes from the only permanent pet identification technology and a safe and secure way to reunite you and your pet, via a Lost Pet Recovery Service

Each dog available for adoption is microchipped with a 24PetWatch Microchip, unless they were previously microchipped prior to intake. CCARE incurs the cost of the microchip at \$7.30 each for standard and \$8.00 for mini microchip. 54 dogs received a 24Pet/Watch Microchip.

CCARE incurs a fee of \$4.95 per microchip to be registered in the PetPoint system for dogs that were previously microchipped prior to intake,

CCARE has microchip clinics to promote this technology to reunite pets and owners. A clinic was not held in 2020 because of COVID-19.

2020 MEDICAL

44 Dogs received a Rabies Vaccination by the CCARE On-Call Veterinarian. All other dogs adopted were already vaccinated upon intake. Cost is \$24.00 per vaccination, plus syringe and rabies tag.

89 Dogs received a Nobivac Canine 1-DAPPv Vaccination for Distemper/Parvo. All other dogs adopted were already vaccinated upon intake. Note: Puppies receive this shot at 6 weeks old, 9 weeks old and 12 weeks old. Cost is \$7.00 per vaccination, plus syringe.

87 Dogs received a Bordetella Vaccination (Kennel Cough) by the CCARE On-Call Veterinarian. All other dogs adopted were already vaccinated upon intake. Cost is \$6.25 per vaccine.

61 Dogs received a Heartworm Snap Test. All negative. Note: Dogs under 6 months are not tested because of their age. Cost is \$3.20 per test, plus syringe.

72 Fecal Tests were performed. Dogs (28) with positive results were provided the necessary medication to treat the internal parasite. Internal parasite results included Coccidia, Hookworms, Roundworms, Whipworms and Tapeworms. Dogs testing positive have an additional fecal test after medical treatment. Cost is \$0.28 per fecal test. Cost of medical treatment for internal parasites is included in the total Dog Care costs in this report.

Other tests performed include urine, parvo, and skin scraping.

All dogs received a monthly Flea/Tick treatment. Average cost of one monthly treatment for a large dog is \$15.00. Capstar flea/tick tablet is also given to all dogs upon intake at a cost of \$3.38.

All dogs receive a monthly Heartgard preventative. Average cost of one monthly treatment is \$10 per dog.

Many dogs were treated for infections and other illness.

Several dogs with severe medical problems were taken to Court Street Vet Care for treatment. CCARE pays for all medical and vet costs while a dog is at the clinic.

CCARE saved thousands of dollars with the On-Call Veterinarian, and On-Call Vet Tech, and K-State Mobile Surgery Unit volunteering their services.

OUTREACH

All dogs available for adoption are promoted to the public by these methods:

- CCARE website www.ccareinc.org (Nationwide)
- Petango website www.petango.com (Nationwide)
- Pet Finder website www.petfinder.com (Nationwide)
- Adopt A Pet website www.adoptapet.com (Nationwide)
- Clay Center KS Lost/Found Pets Facebook Page (lost dogs)
- Lost/Found Pets in Clay Center KS (area) Facebook Page (lost dogs)
- Clay Center Dispatch
- Twin Valley TV Community News Channel 2
- KSNT TV Channel
- Adoption Flyers
- Fundraisers
- Off-site adoption events
- CCARE Facebook Page and other adoption Facebook pages.

Partners:

- Citizens in the Community
- Youth Organizations
- Local Schools, Project Lead, Club CCCMS
- Community Organizations
- Rescues
- Kansas Humane Society
- Other Shelters
- Clay Center City Council
- Clay County Commissioners
- PETCO
- PetSmart
- Media Outlets (Dispatch, Twin Valley, KSNT TV)
- Kansas Department of Agriculture (Shelter License and Inspections)
- Kansas State University Department of Veterinary Medicine
- Clay Center Law Enforcement
- District Court
- Other Community's City Council and Animal Control Officers
- Local Businesses.

PetPoint database software is used for all animal intakes, outcomes, and medical information. PetPoint provides free registration of our microchips and 30 days of free pet insurance to new adopters.

YOUTH EDUCATION

Many local school programs bring their students to CCARE for education programs, reading to the dogs, making Kong treats, and dog socializing. CCARE has an animal education program in the local schools.*

*COVID-19 restricted all these activities in 2020.

2020 FINANCIALS

5 years of fundraising was conducted by the CCARE Board of Directors before the CCARE facility was opened on March 1, 2016. Most of that funding was used for the construction of the facility; and supplies and materials needed to function as an animal shelter.

2020 Financials:

Support and Revenue	\$107,298
Expenses	\$95,579
2020 Income Over Expenses (Net Gain)	\$11,709**

**Gain from Grants and Forgiven PPP Loan in 2020

FUTURE GOALS

Immediate goals of CCARE include:

- Feral cat Trap Neuter/Spay Return program (TNR).
- Exterior improvements..
- Disaster planning and training.

Future goals of CCARE include:

- Low Cost Spay/Neuter Programs to aid in the prevention of hundreds of homeless and unwanted puppies and kittens in our community
- Expand Education for Schools and Community groups
- Emergency veterinary care for ownerless animals
- Design, construct and open the cat room
- Dog Park.

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Cover Photo: Hank came to CCARE with severe burn marks on his face, neck and body. This boy has a horrific story that he cannot tell. After he was found as a stray in Missouri we transferred him to CCARE through our networking contacts in order to keep him out of a high kill shelter. His injuries healed and we later found out that he knew lots of amazing tricks. Photo credit to Julie Mohn, our awesome volunteer.