

2021 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021

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:

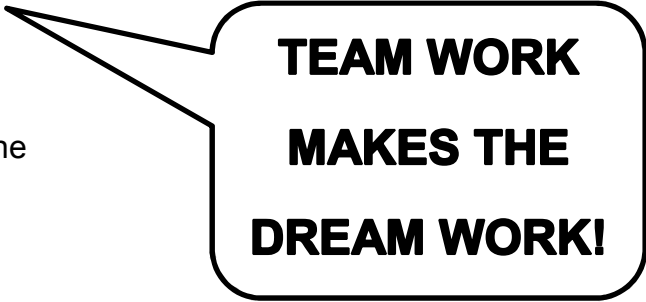
The Clay County Animal Rescue & Education Center (CCARE) is an animal care facility dedicated to improving the lives of companion animals in our communities and finding permanent and loving adoptive homes for the animals in our care. We provide a safe haven for animals in transition, serve as advocates 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, Full-Time Employee
AJ Korany-Every, Part-Time Employee



**TEAM WORK
MAKES THE
DREAM WORK!**

2021 FUNDRAISING AND DONATIONS

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

*47 Percent of our 2021 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.com
Facebook Fundraisers
Adult Egg Hunt
Gather For Good Match Day*
Community/Youth Fundraisers
Wofftrax App

\$40,974

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.

\$26,072

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

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

\$2,613

COVID SPARKS Grant and Payroll Tax Relief

\$14,947

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, dog care items, and cleaning supplies. All donations are tax-deductible under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code.

2021 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.

\$2,976

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.

Non-aggressive dogs seized by Law Enforcement are held on a Court Hold at CCARE. CCARE is responsible to obtain reimbursement of all CCARE costs from the owner.

\$2,371

Adoption fees are based on age: \$175-\$200 for puppies and \$150 for 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.

\$10,691

All dogs that are adopted include the following:

Health Exam	Spay or Neuter
Rabies Vaccination	Distemper/Parvo Vaccination
Bordetella Vaccination	Deworming
Heartworm Test	Fecal Test
Medical Treatment, as necessary	Flea/Tick Treatment/Preventative
24PetWatch Microchip	Heartworm Preventative
30 Days Free 24PetHealth Insurance	

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.

2021 EXPENSES

Building and property maintenance continues. In 2021, we built an overhang along the front sidewalk, we had the Mural Movement paint a mural on the building, along with other building repairs and landscaping.

\$8,971

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

\$39,367

Dog care expenses include medical, food, treats, microchips, etc.

\$6,889

TNR Expenses for our community feral cat program.

\$74

Building, Liability and Vehicle expenses include building mortgage interest and principal, depreciation, property and vehicle insurance, liability insurance.

\$9,193

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

\$13,910

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

\$10,089

NOTE: Priorities in 2022 are the Trap Neuter/Spay Return (TNR) program for feral cats in the community; fundraising, and exterior and interior improvements.

2021 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.

2,519 Hours

(14,759 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.

The Trap Neuter/Spay Return (TNR) program for feral cats will continue in 2022.

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

INTAKES

<u>INTAKE TYPE</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2016 - 2020</u>	<u>Total</u>
Stray	106*	504	610
Owner Surrender/Returned Adoptions	58	405	463
Seized by LEO	0	6	6
Transfer In From Other Rescue	23	54	77
Spay/Neuter Clinic	0	4	4
TOTAL	187	973	1160

*Two strays became Court Holds.

<u>INTAKE SUB TYPE</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2016 - 2020</u>	<u>Total</u>
Public Drop Off/Abandoned	34	206	240
Public Drop Off by LEO Dispatch	19	12	31
Law Enforcement Drop Off (including other city's LEO/ACO)	46	241	287
ACO Drop Off (2016 only)	0	41	41
Owner Surrenders/Returns	58	392	450
Born at CCARE (puppies)	7	22	29
Spay/Neuter Clinic (2016 only)	0	4	4
Transfer In From Other Rescue	23	54	77
Bite Quarantine	0	1	1
TOTAL	187	973	1160

<u>INTAKES BY MONTH</u>						
<u>MONTH</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
January	9	10	14	22	20	0
February	18	12	13	28	12	0
March	13	14	19	23	17	19
April	8	9	25	9	13	10
May	17	12	15	13	23	9
June	12	18	17	11	29	11
July	22	15	9	18	30	23
August	13	15	23	32	32	12
September	29	11	15	25	12	10
October	14	11	21	18	24	27
November	24	8	14	19	15	16
December	8	9	20	8	17	28
TOTAL	187	144	205	226	233	165

<u>INTAKE JURISDICTION STRAYS ONLY</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Clay Center (city limits)	76	56	98	70	80	69	449
Clay County (country)	15	8	12	25	12	10	82
Clifton	0	5	0	1	3	0	9
Cloud County (country)	2	1	0	1	0	2	6
Clyde	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
Green	1	0	0	1	0	4	6
Longford	1	2	1	1	0	0	5
Miltonvale	1	0	1	6	□	3	19
Morganville	4	1	1	0	0	0	6
Out of Clay County (other counties)	0	0	5	6	4	0	15
Wakefield	6	5	0	2	2	0	15
TOTAL	106	78	121	113	109	88	615

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>2021</u>	<u>2016 – 2020</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Adoption	89	574	663
Reclaimed by Owner	91	360	451
Transfer Out to Other Rescue	0	13	13
Died	1*	3	4
DOA (born dead)	1*	4	5
Euthanized	0	8**	8
Spay/Neuter Clinic	0	4	4
TOTAL	182	966	1148

*Puppies born at CCARE

**Court Order or Aggression

ADOPTIONS BY MONTH						
<u>MONTH</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
January	5	9	9	18	7	0
February	10	7	7	13	8	0
March	7	9	7	18	15	7
April	3	8	12	15	15	8
May	7	7	4	3	8	5
June	10	8	7	8	13	6
July	10	3	7	10	13	9
August	12	10	19	22	15	8
September	5	6	9	11	13	9
October	8	7	10	10	18	8
November	7	7	12	10	6	12
December	5	7	9	6	13	14
TOTAL	89	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 2021, there were no out of town adoption events, except for KSNT TV and FOX43TV.

ADOPTIONS BY JURISDICTION						
<u>Location</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Clay Center (city limits)	29	24	39	27	30	31
Clay County (outside Clay Center)	17	7	13	29	26	21
Other Kansas Counties	40	55	51	79	80	25
California					-	1
Colorado			2	1		
Iowa			1			
Maine					-	1
Missouri	2	1		2	2	1
Nebraska	1	1	6	6	5	4
Texas					1	1
Wisconsin					-	1
TOTAL	89	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>2021 AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY</u>	
<u>Intake Type</u>	<u>Average Days</u>
Owner Surrenders	27.5
Returned Adoptions	66.8
Transferred In	35.3
Strays	5.0

Strays that are reclaimed by their owners usually have a length of stay no more than 3-5 days, unless arrangements are made between the owner and CCARE.

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

Data based on outcome dates in 2021, whether their intake was in 2021 or prior.

2021 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. KSU Mobile Surgery Unit completed 35 neuters and 16 spays. 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: 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, 2021 (END OF YEAR):

- 6 Available for Adoption
- 6 Medical Quarantine (5 puppies under 8 weeks old and their Mom)

2021 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. 83 dogs received a 24PetWatch 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 2021, but was schedule for 2022.

2021 MEDICAL

37 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.

77 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 \$7.10 per vaccination, plus syringe.

75 Dogs received a Bordetella Vaccination (Kennel Cough) by the CCARE On-Call Veterinarian. All other dogs adopted were already vaccinated upon intake. Cost is \$7.61 per vaccine.

60 Dogs received a Heartworm Snap Test. All negative. Note: Dogs under 6 months are not tested because of their age. Cost is \$3.94 per test, plus syringe.

84 Fecal Tests were performed. Dogs (31) 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, distemper, 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 \$5.57.

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.

TRAP NEUTER/SPAY RELEASE PROGRAM (FERAL CATS)

In 2021 CCARE implemented their TNR program and spayed 17 female cats and 27 male cats. The KSU Mobile Surgery Unit provided the spays and neuters for free.

What is TNR and how does it work? In a TNR (Trap-Neuter-Return) program, community cats are humanely trapped (with box traps), brought to a veterinarian to be spayed or neutered, vaccinated, ear tipped (the universal sign that a community cat has been neutered and vaccinated), and then returned to their outdoor home. In Clay Center, community cats are everywhere.

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
- KSNT TV and FOX43 TV
- 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 (KCLY Radio, Dispatch, Twin Valley, KSNT TV, FOX43 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 2021.

2021 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.

2021 Financials:

Support and Revenue	\$127,648
Expenses	\$ 88,494
2020 Income Over Expenses (Net Gain)	\$ 39,154**

**Gain of \$14,947 from COVID SPARKS Grant and Payroll Tax Relief

FUTURE GOALS

Immediate goals of CCARE include:

- Expand the feral cat Trap Neuter/Spay Return program (TNR).
- Exterior and Interior improvements.
- Disaster planning and training.

Future goals of CCARE include:

- Epoxy treatment for all floors.
- 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 building.

www.ccareinc.org

Cover Photo: *The front of our building had many improvements in 2021. An overhang was built across the front sidewalk, a flag pole and flag was added to the garden, and the Mural Movement painted a mural on the front of our building that included CCARE alumni dogs.*