

SUCCESS BY THE NUMBERS

In FY 2020-2021

15

Rusk Veterinary Assistance Grants were awarded to families whose pets were in need of critical medical procedures

536

pets belonging to 385 Meals on Wheels clients received wellness exams, vaccinations and year-long supplies of flea and heartworm preventatives, all at no cost to their homebound owners

22

companion animals of homebound community members received treatment for serious issues, including dental surgeries and mass removals

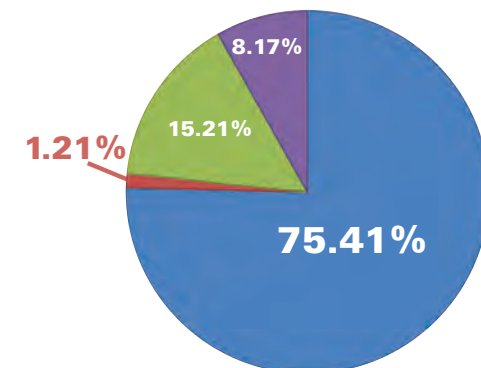
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Texas Veterinary Medical Association member clinics and the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences Small Animal Hospital have volunteered their services to help homebound neighbors across Texas

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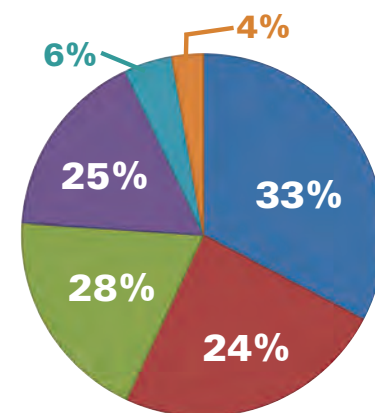
FUNDING IMPACT BY PROGRAM

■ Humane Outreach and Animal Welfare ■ Student Enhancement
■ Education and Public Awareness ■ Research Support



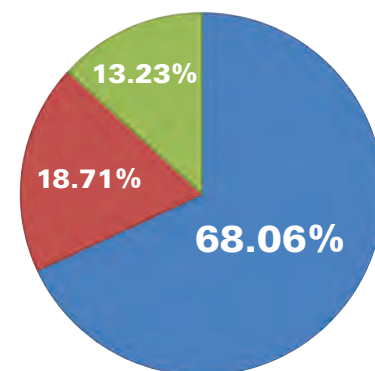
REVENUE

■ Individual ■ Investment Income
■ Foundation ■ Legacy gifts
■ Corporate ■ Local VMAs



EXPENSES

■ Program ■ Fundraising
■ Management and General



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TexVetPets.org, a program provided in partnership by TVMF and TVMA, provides online animal health information with an emphasis on current, reliable and peer-reviewed content. TexVetPets.org connects animal owners with reliable, accurate information from veterinary professionals outside of the exam room.

Memorial Gift Program

TMVF's Memorial Gift Program is for those who wish to remember a deceased individual or pet. Memorial donations help fund the efforts of the Foundation, including the Emergency Student Grant Fund, the LEAP program, owner education programs and the Rusk Veterinary Assistance Grant program.

Online Pet Memorial Gallery

TMVF provides a wonderful and lasting way for pet owners to celebrate the special bond between humans and animals while paying tribute to the memory of a beloved pet. With a \$10 gift, pet owners may create an online memorial for their beloved animals. All donations made in honor of a pet in the online Pet Memorial Gallery benefit the LEAP program.



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IMPACT REPORT



DEAR FRIENDS,

This last year has brought into focus the importance of our connections and how much we rely on our friends, families, and neighbors in difficult times. With illness, economic uncertainty, and a devastating winter storm, Texas has been through a lot this year. For many of our neighbors, the daily love and comfort from their animal companions provided them with the strength to deal with these challenges. Every day, I am proud that our LEAP program and Rusk Veterinary Assistance Grants are helping Texans in need care for their animals, keeping these families together and preserving these important relationships.

In addition to providing assistance to animal owners, TVMF is also committed to supporting the veterinary community, including our veterinary students. From the stethoscopes given to first year students on their first day of orientation to scholarships, research and service opportunities, and emergency student grants, TVMF strives to support students throughout their education. This year, in addition to the students at Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biodomedical Sciences, we are especially excited to welcome the first class of veterinary students at Texas Tech University School of Veterinary Medicine. We are happy to welcome all of these future colleagues to the profession and the Texas veterinary family.

Looking forward, TVMF is actively seeking ways to better serve veterinarians and their communities, especially those in rural and underserved areas. In addition to exploring new opportunities to expand our existing programs, the TVMF Board of Trustees is exploring ideas for new programs that will help us continue to respond to the needs of Texans and their animals.

This past year has been a year of great change and unprecedented challenges. Throughout it all, I have been humbled by the generosity of our donors and volunteers. Your support has made our success possible, and we remain deeply thankful. I look forward to continuing our journey together to help Texans and their animals, and I can't wait to see what our next year will bring.

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LEAP SPOTLIGHT



Ms. McKay hadn't thought much about the pain she was experiencing in her neck until her dog, Maizey, started worrying at the spot and wouldn't leave it alone. That's when Ms. McKay called her doctor, who advised her to come in for a visit. Tests revealed that she had cancer, and Ms. McKay says she wouldn't have found it if it weren't for Maizey. She also credits Maizey with helping her recover from a surgery that left her partially paralyzed. Maizey stayed with her through the difficult recovery, never leaving her side and providing constant love and companionship.

Ms. McKay and Maizey are clients of Meals on Wheels Central Texas PALS and Maizey receives her veterinary care through the LEAP program. We are honored to be there keeping this family healthy and together for as long as possible.

Since 2012, the LEAP program has been providing essential veterinary care to the pets of homebound seniors like Ms. McKay through partnerships with Meals on Wheels organizations in Austin, Bryan/College Station, Dallas, Houston, and Abilene. In calendar year 2020 we served 536 pets belonging to 385 homebound Meals on Wheels seniors, and we look forward to growing this program even more in the coming years.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Each year, TVMF welcomes the new class of veterinary students by providing them with a stethoscope for use during their education. Students have said that this gift feels like a rite of passage, a statement of support and a warm welcome into this incredible profession that they have been dreaming about. This year was especially exciting as, in addition to the 180 students at Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, we also welcomed 64 students in the first ever class at Texas Tech University School of Veterinary Medicine! For the second year in a row, TVMF asked veterinarians to participate in this tradition by writing messages of support and inspiration to their future colleagues. Below are some of the messages received from TVMA members:

"Your journey is just beginning. Never stop learning. Always keep an open mind. You will never know it all. Your patients and their owners will depend on you for more than just medicine. Find the balance of being there for them but not losing yourself to them. Keep a sense of humor. Vet med is full of fun. Enjoy it!"

"Congratulations, you are about to enter the greatest profession in all of medicine. Study hard, stay the course, and you will be rewarded with a lifetime of happiness."



KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER

It was just a few days before Christmas, and Sherry N. was concerned about her young dog, Moki. Moki had stopped eating, was not acting like himself and seemed to be losing weight. He had a history of playing with socks, and Sherry was afraid that maybe he had eaten one. Worried, she made an appointment with her veterinarian, Dr. John Unflat of Barton Creek Animal Clinic.



When Dr. Unflat first saw Moki he could tell immediately that the young dog was in pain. The physical exam and radiographs confirmed his suspicion that Moki likely had an obstruction. After receiving the estimate for Moki's treatment, Dr. Unflat said that Sherry got very quiet; she could not afford all of the care Moki would require. Rather than prolong his suffering, she requested that they euthanize Moki.

"I could feel and hear the heaviness of her heart," Dr. Unflat said. He knew that TVMF offered grants to help in situations like this. "Moki is a good dog," he said, and he knew that the dog had a good prognosis with appropriate therapy. Sherry and her husband have five children, and Moki is an important member of the family.

Dr. Unflat applied for a Rusk Veterinary Assistance Grant to cover the cost of Moki's care. Due to the urgent nature of the case, the TVMF Grants Committee expedited the review process and was happy to approve the grant. Dr. Unflat performed surgery on Moki and removed a "big, long, smelly sock" from his intestine. "It would have killed him without help," Unflat said. "Thank you."

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We are so grateful to the clinics that donate their time and resources to the LEAP program. This program would not be possible without their continued generosity.

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