

Letter from the Director

Dear Supporters,

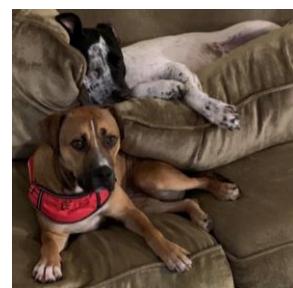
2020 is officially hindsight, and I can't say I'm sorry to see it go! This past year has been difficult and felt never-ending, but many of the challenges we faced became unexpected opportunities. This year prompted us to try out some new policies and occasionally forced us to adjust on the fly, but a lot of those changes have been for the better.

In 2020, we broke our record for monthly live release rate, then we did it again, and again. It would be impossible to point to one singular change or factor that helped us achieve this, but rather it is a combination of efforts from all of our staff, volunteers, and community.

We know we aren't out of the woods yet, and we'll certainly be carrying the lessons learned from this year with us as look forward to whatever 2021 has in store!

With Gratitude,
 Michele Whaley, Director

Silent Nights 2020



New Year's Resolutions

What goals for PCAS do you have in 2021?

To educate more owners about the benefits of spay/neuter and microchip options, helping pets stay at home.

– Brittany Interdonato, ACO

More adoptions!

– Miranda Jarman, Shelter Attendant

My goal, and my hope, is that we can get back to more community engagement in 2021.

– Lisa Amundson, Shelter Office Manager

Pet Health & Wellness Tip

In a mild climate like North Carolina, we can never be sure when or if the pests of the season are truly gone. Year-round flea and tick prevention can help keep furry family members and your household safer! [American Veterinary Medical Association \(AVMA\)](#) says "Consult your veterinarian about your options and what's best for your pet. [...] Parasite protection is not 'one-size-fits-all.' Certain factors affect the type and dose of the product that can be used, including the age, species, breed, life style and health status of your pet, as well as any medications your pet is receiving."

