FRONT STREET ANIMAL SHELTER
ANNUAL REPORT

We Save Lives!

2014
Dear Friends,

We don’t even know how to begin to thank the countless members of our community for the incredible support we have received this past year. Words are simply inadequate to describe the energy, passion and drive that propel Front Street. Buoyed by donors, volunteers, and dedicated members of our staff, the Front Street Shelter continues to make progress in changing and improving the lives of animals entrusted to our care.

Those familiar with our shelter can attest, Front Street is a hub of energy, excitement and never ending surprises. As we reflect on this past year, our hearts fill with gratitude. As we look toward the future, it is almost overwhelming to think of how much more work still needs to be done. As we strive to be creative and innovative in our approach, we recognize how incredibly blessed we are to have the support of people just like you, without which none of this great work would be possible.

We look forward to 2015 with a simple goal in mind, saving more lives and building community.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope you will join us for a zany 2015!

Many blessings,

Gina
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2014 Program Highlights

- **3,677** Animals were adopted and found their forever homes
- **1,050** Animals were reunited with their families
- **1,159** Animals were sent to rescue groups or other partner shelters across the nation
- **742** Community cats were saved through the Return to Field Program
- More than **1,729** Pets were fixed through the Spay/Neuter Sacramento program

- **50,000+** Community supporters helped spread our message through social media
- **1,500** animals served by our free monthly vaccination clinic
- **1,410** Cats were fostered and **705** dogs were fostered. That’s a total of **2,115** lives saved through fostering!
- We had **52** different transport events which saved a total of **577** animals!
- Team Front Street attended **121** different adoption or outreach events resulting in **256** dogs and **86** cats adopted!
- **382** fewer animals were euthanized in 2014!
A Historic Partnership

This December, the Front Street Animal Shelter was proud to form an unprecedented partnership with the Sacramento Ballet. For the first time, shelter animals participated in each performance of the holiday classic “The Nutcracker.” Both dogs and cats were featured in the ballet - and were available for adoption at intermission and after each performance. Over 50 animals found their forever homes as a result of this unique partnership.

Front Street Advocates Make Sound Waves!

In collaboration with the Petco Foundation and the City of Sacramento Risk Department, the Front Street Animal Shelter’s Advocates, a non-profit shelter partner, obtained funding to install sound abatement panels in all 36 kennels in the Quarantine building. The result? An immediate reduction in kennel noise! Working staff noticed an immediate improvement in overall sound level and, more importantly, in the “calmness” of the dogs in the kennel.

Camp Front Street

More than 40 children participated in the first season of Camp Front Street! They learned about proper care for dogs, cats, and rabbits. They spent time with one of our Animal Control Officers. They helped out at the shelter. And they had tons of fun! Camp Front Street rocked!
Volunteers Save Lives!

Our volunteer team is the reason we are able to save so many! In 2014:

946 volunteers donated their time!

Our volunteers gave more than 48,650 hours of hard work and dedication to the Front Street Animal Shelter! The value of their time alone is worth more than $1,097,057!

Our volunteers cleaned 55,073 dishes, 1,672 loads of laundry, 9,842 dog kennels, 1,998 cat kennels, and 478 bunny cages!

Our volunteers fostered 705 dogs and 1,410 cats!

Our volunteers SAVED LIVES!!
Our Animal Control Officers are true Sacramento Heroes! In 2014:

- Our officers received 15,935 calls for animal care services
- Our officers investigated many cases of alleged cruelty, abuse, or neglect
- Here are some of the highlighted felony cruelty cases our officers worked:
  - Scalded dog - warrant was served with District Attorney
  - 400 chickens - suspect ordered to pay $14,355.99
  - Six horses - one with broken leg, and six others that were underweight, sick and in need of medical care. A felony warrant was issued.
  - Drowned dog “Zelda” - Officers investigated an allegation that the dog owner maliciously drowned his dog in the American River. A felony warrant was issued and the suspect is in custody awaiting trial

Our veterinary team’s accomplishments in 2014 - thanks to donation dollars & community support!

- 2,926 shelter animals spayed or neutered
- 718 community cats returned to field
- 11 Pit Bull terriers spayed/neutered through Chacko grant
- 100 animals had xrays
- 200 animals had dental work done
- 269 animals had blood work/lab tests done
- Altered 21 animals on Spay Day
- Five veterinary students interned this year. They were from UC Davis, Ross University, Minnesota, Western Veterinary College, and Glasgow!
- Moved out of the small veterinary trailer and into the new surgical center!

Our shelter staff are amazing!

Animal Care Technicians are always on the go! Caring for more than 10,000 animals per year, they manage the day in and day out essentials of shelter work. Feeding, cleaning, medicating, and enriching the lives of the animals in their care.

Our Customer Service Team are both the face at the front counter and the magic behind the scenes. Processing 13,569 licenses this year and finalizing the paperwork for the 3,677 adopted animals kept this tiny but mighty crew busy!

This great crew of shelter staff work tirelessly every day to save lives!
Dear Front Street, I just wanted to send you an update on a little Lab mix puppy I adopted in April 2014. I first met the pup, who I named "Fiona", at your booth at the Pet a Palooza event in Citrus Heights. It was love at first sight. As she grew, it became obvious that she is a Lab / GREAT DANE mix! Fiona is now 10 months old and she is a happy, silly, HUGE puppy and an important part of our family. Just wanted you to see what a beautiful pup she is today.

Special thanks to our 2014 donors:

$10,000+
- ASPCA
- Brian & Diane Lee - 2013 & 2014 Sponsor
- Gately Foundation
- PetCo Foundation—2014 Sponsor

$5,000-$9,999
- Gene and Susan Locke
- Karen Sue Dickinson-Bates

$2,500-$4,999
- Ernest A. Long
- Grateful Dog - 2013 & 2014 Sponsor
- John Casey
- Kim Martin
- Sue Huscroft
- Wag Hotels

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Your donation dollars at work
- Generous supporters donated more than $344,962 dollars to the Front Street Shelter in 2014
- $54,550.94 provided above and beyond medical care for sick or injured animals brought to the shelter
- We received $12,875 for our Spay and Neuter fund - helping more than 1,729 community animals get fixed!
- $80,000 was used to purchase all of the equipment needed for the new veterinary surgical building!

Animals Saved at Front Street

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You help save lives!