



2022



As a publicly funded shelter, BARC has dual missions – protecting the safety of human beings while seeking positive outcomes for animals. BARC is committed to protect Houstonians from potentially aggressive and dangerous animals in the community—as evident by the 29% higher intake of strays and animals collected by Animal Enforcement Officers during calls for service last year (9,098 in 2022 versus 7,0732 in 2021).

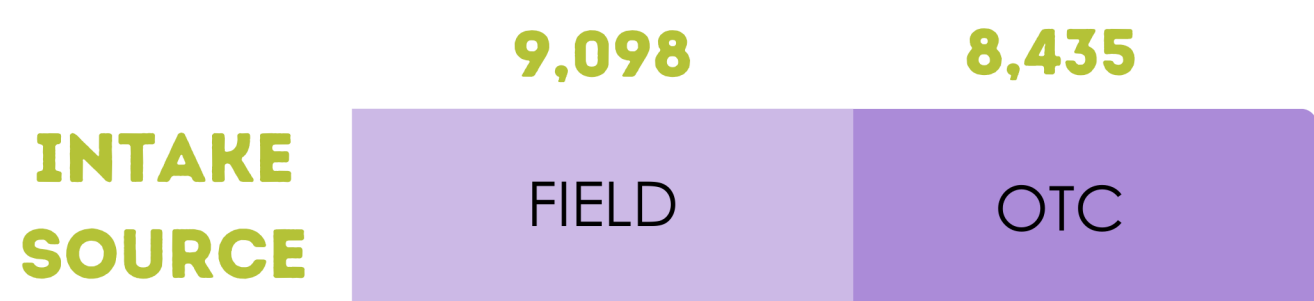
85.8% TOTAL SAVE RATE

Save Rate = The percentage of animals who leave the shelter through adoption, return to owner, transfers to other organizations, or other lifesaving program

This increase in stray intake resulted in a larger population of animals in the shelter that are unsocialized, have severe behavior or medical issues, and thus highly unadoptable. In Calendar Year 2022, BARC took in 17,533 total animals from the public, animal enforcement activity, and owner surrenders. Of this number, 58% were unowned pets from Houston’s large stray population.

TOTAL INTAKE 17,533

29% HIGHER INTAKE OF STRAYS AND ANIMALS COLLECTED BY ANIMAL ENFORCEMENT



Intake source is defined by the way in which a pet is brought to the shelter. FIELD are pets brought in by Animal Enforcement through service calls. OTC (Over The Counter) are pets brought to the shelter by community members doing an in person drop-off



3,912

PETS
ADOPTED
INTO HOMES



612

PETS
RETURNED TO
THEIR OWNERS



8,934

PETS
TRANSFERRED
TO RESCUE



335

CATS
WENT THROUGH
TNR OR SNR

TNR = Trap Neuter Return
SNR = Shelter Neuter Return



Nationwide there is a shortage of shelter veterinarians, and as we are vacant two full-time veterinarians, we experienced a drop in the number of wellness and spay/neuter appointments we can offer at the shelter.

7,041 PETS SPAYED OR NEUTERED

4,194 DOGS | 2,847 CATS



9,993

HOURS VOLUNTEERED

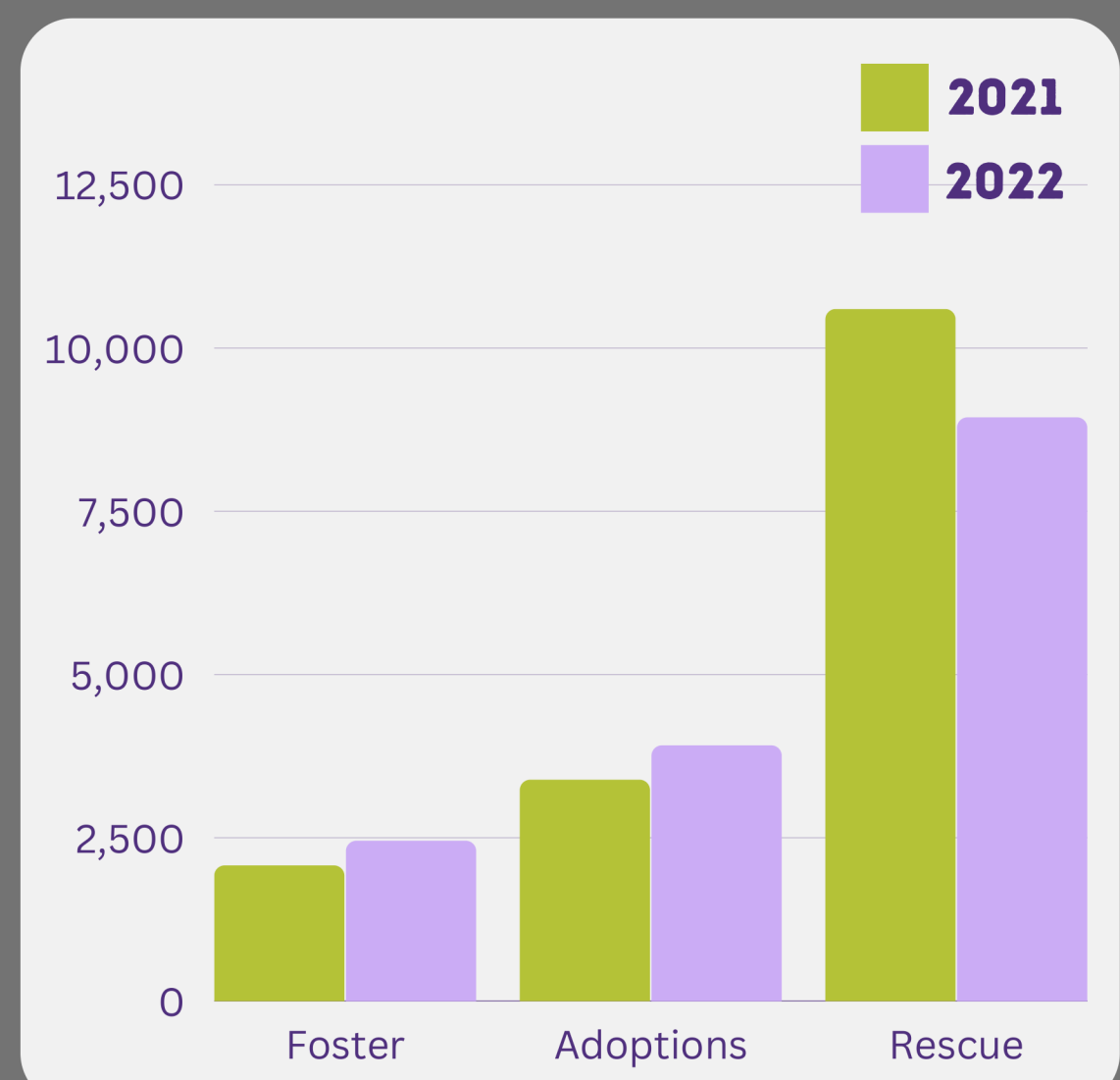


2,452

PETS FOSTERED

COMPARING THE DATA

While adoptions increased by 16% from 2021 to 2022, and more than 3,900 pets were adopted into their forever homes, we saw several areas struggle to return to pre-COVID-19 numbers. Rescue tags dropped from 10,592 in 2021 to only 8,934 in 2022, an 18.5% decrease. In addition, BARC Fosters took in 2,452 animals in 2022, a slight increase of 377 from 2021.



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