



SAGE COMPASSION FOR ANIMALS



SAGEC4A Message

We provide financial assistance for families with companion animals in medical crisis.

SAGE Compassion for Animals prevents suffering and euthanasia by providing financial assistance to qualified pet guardians with companion animals in medical crisis. We are a 501(c)(3) organization that serves the San Francisco Bay Area.

We understand that some people are severely limited by finances, and this can adversely affect the animal, the families and the veterinary care team (through compassion fatigue). We strive to provide financial assistance for veterinary care to pet guardians. We hope to reduce pet illness and injury by educating communities.

Our Board Members include veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and animal advocates that have deep ties with animal shelters, non-profits, and rescue groups.



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Meet the Team

Expanded the team of SAGEC4A to meet growing needs of community



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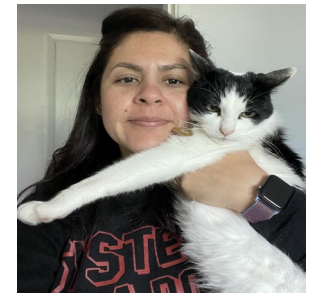
In May, Lizz Varela joined the team. With her background in client service and veterinary medicine, she was a natural to work with our animal grant program and to support social media and other marketing campaigns.

Lisa Coscino came on board as an experienced executive leader in the nonprofit space. Her dedication to leadership and philanthropy throughout her career will bring fresh perspectives and fundraising knowledge to support SAGEC4A's growing programs.

Julie Smith, Founder, still works as a volunteer in the day to day of SAGEC4A with a focus on networking with the veterinary community, supporting the animal grant program, and serving as a Board Member.



Lisa Coscino
Executive Director



Elizabeth (Lizz) Varela
Administrative Assistant



Julie D. Smith,
DVM, DACVS, CCRT, MBA
Founder, Veterinary Liason

Meet the Board

All volunteer time and commit to financial support to SAGEC4A



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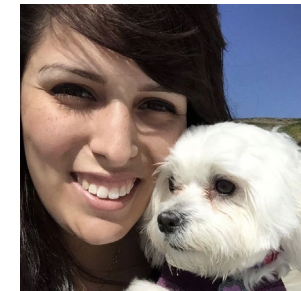
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Our Mission

We provide financial assistance for veterinary care to help companion animals in crisis and educate communities about ways to prevent and reduce illness.

Our Vision

We believe animals are amazing and that you love them as members of your family. We envision a world where you have access to the health care and education you need to give them their best lives possible.



Integrity

- Our intentions match our actions
- We follow our moral compass even when no one is watching
- We make decisions based on sound medical knowledge and established criteria
- We know what is important and hold fast to that idea, even when it is not convenient or to our benefit



Compassion

- We treat animals and their guardians with kindness and understanding
- We are empathetic when we cannot provide financial assistance and support
- We act with care and grace when making difficult decisions
- We recognize and acknowledge that compassion fatigue in veterinary medicine is compounded when guardians have limited financial resources



Dedication

- We work faithfully to help animals
- We are devoted to preserving the pet/parent bond
- We tirelessly work towards optimal outcomes
- We unite with others to achieve our mission



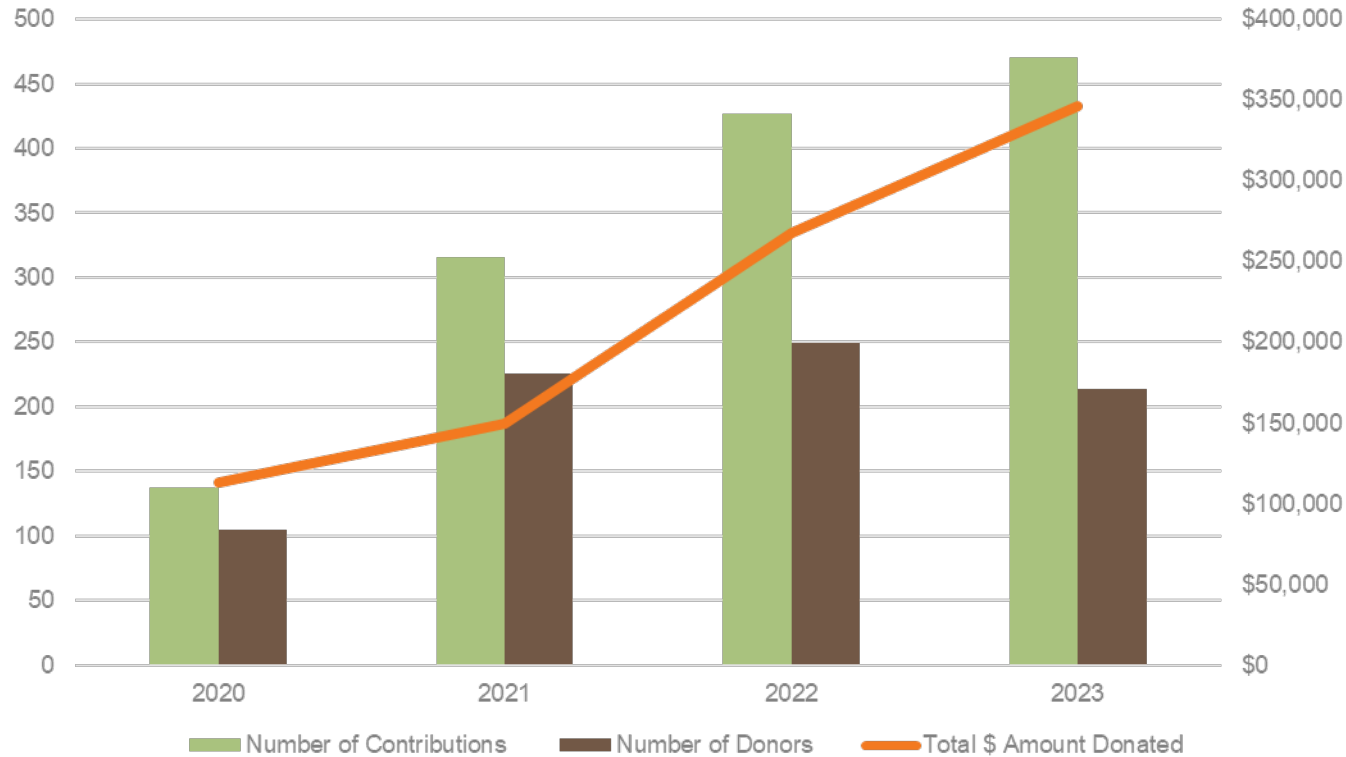
Impact

- We strive to make a permanent, long-lasting contribution
- We make decisions with a defined purpose
- We believe even small actions can have a big impact
- We make the world better by improving the lives of animals and their guardians

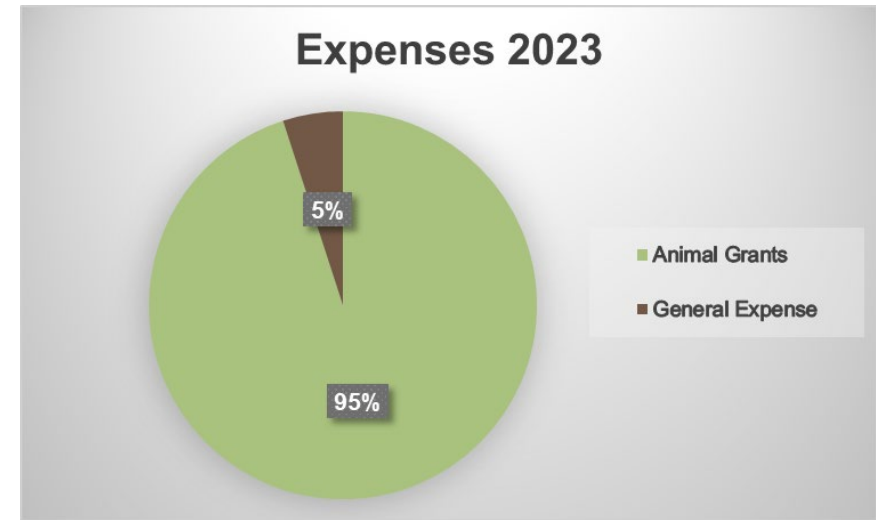
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Financial Years In Review

Donations for Program Support



Expenses 2023



95% of each dollar donated funds the grants we give to pet families in need. Our staffing costs are covered by an extremely generous donor, making our 95% funding model possible!

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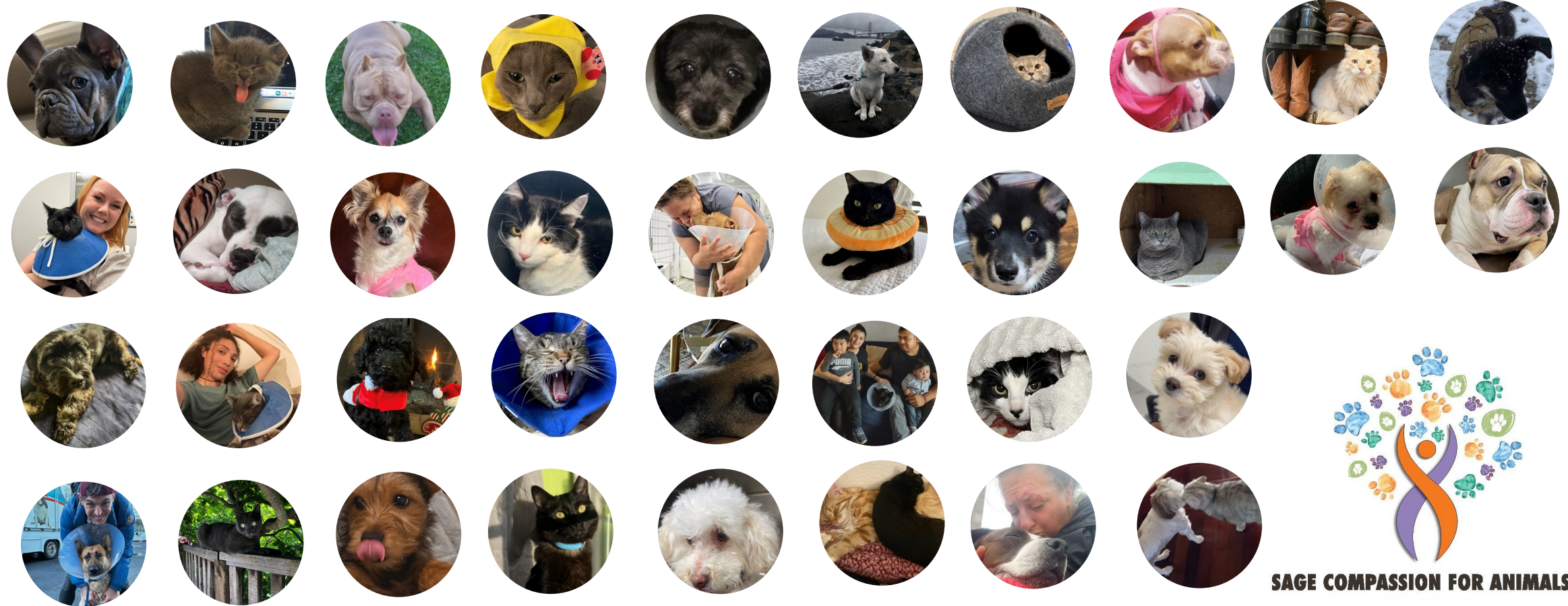
Grant Giving Program In Review

	2021	2022	2023	Total
Amount of Grants	\$105,500	\$206,500	\$400,000	\$712,000
Number of Grants	45	76	132	253
Cats	11	25	35	71
Dogs	34	51	97	182
Performed Also Spay/Neuter	14	36	81	131
Veterinary Clinics Involved in Providing Services Year Over Year	20	36	44	

Part of the requirement for funding is to assure that the pet is vaccinated, microchipped, and spayed/neutered during the veterinary visit that is being funded. We were able to make sure that **51%** of our grant recipients were spayed and neutered as part of the care they received! The remainder were already spayed or neutered – and important part of keeping pets healthy!

Grants 2023

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Success Stories

- **MEET SIGYN**

- Sigyn is a 7-month-old Pomski! Her name comes from Norse mythology
- Being a young little puppy, she got under foot and was stepped on!!
- Unfortunately, her femur bone in her back leg was broken and needed surgery to repair.
- Sigyn had to be confined to a small area while the bones knit together.
- Surgical success!!

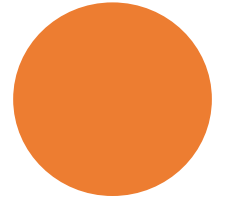


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Success Stories

- **MEET ZEUS**

- Zeus, a young Doberman that had a bad habit of eating things that he shouldn't.
- He was vomiting all of his food for 2 days.
- Diagnosed with foreign material causing a blockage in his intestines and he needed surgery.
- He had eaten some fabric, and this had caused his intestines to bunch up and damaged the blood flow to them.
- Surgery was done quickly that day and he recovered well!



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Success Stories

- **MEET ORIGAMI**

- Origami is described as an “old soul” by his pet family – even though he is only 4 years old.
- When members of his pet family are sad, Origami goes right up to their faces and puts his nose on their nose and stares into their eyes.
- It was tragic the day that Origami was hit by a car –he sustained several fractures that needed specialty attention.
- Surgery needed to repair a fractured tibia (shin bone) and amputate his tail as it had lost feeling.
- Surgery was successful and he recovered getting the emotional support from his family this time!



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Priorities for 2024

While we were able to increase awareness of our animal grant program in 2023, we are looking to stabilize our funding sources so that we never have to say no to a pet family in need.

Early-stage non-profits such as SAGEC4A face unique challenges and opportunities. Identifying key growth areas is crucial for our sustainability and impact.



Explore + develop a diverse range of funding sources, leverage our social media platforms + crowdfunding to reach a broader audience + engage with potential donors.



Develop clear + compelling educational materials that resonate with our stakeholders around access to care + convey our mission, impact + urgency of our cause.



Collaborate with other organizations, agencies, + community groups to extend our reach, impact + expand our Board.



Empower the communities we serve through community events, educational programs, + post vet care follow-up. Building a network of empowered advocates multiplies our effectiveness + increases our impact.

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