

Me gustó la forma en que le hablan con tanto amor a nuestras mascotas. Su servicio fue muy amable. Yo ya lo recomendé a varias amigas.

— Christina

I am so thankful for Emancipet making it possible to give my pet a better life on a very small budget.

— Carly

Emancipet is the reason my mother's dog Maddie is alive today. They went above and beyond to save her life. I'm forever grateful.

— Wendy

What a blessing to our city. Professional, affordable, and such heartfelt dedication to saving precious lives. Thank you so much.

— Dante

Emancipet has been a lifeline for us being seniors living only on Social Security. Thank you so much.

— Betty & Jim

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You made these stories possible through your unwavering kindness and generosity. Thank you for your support. It means the world to us and to the people and pets we serve.

EMANCIPET

IMPACT REPORT 2021



We believe

EVERY PET DESERVES HIGH-QUALITY VETERINARY CARE TO KEEP THEM HEALTHY AND HAPPY.

We know that people love their pets and will do everything they can for them when given the opportunity. Yet, veterinary care is financially out of reach for millions of pet families, not to mention inaccessible to many communities across the US. **We're here to change that.**

Happy 2022, friends!



It can be hard to find words to describe the challenges and complexities we've faced these last few years. However, it is not hard to find words to express our gratitude for YOU. Despite all the ups and downs, you have been there. Your support has meant so much to me, and has directly empowered us to serve more pets than ever before, at a time when the need for affordable vet care has reached an all-time high.

To fulfill our mission, we welcomed **234,231** visits to our clinics in 2021, a **10% increase over 2020**. This includes spay/neuter surgery for almost 50,000 pets. Our medical teams achieved all of this despite the incredibly challenging circumstances caused by this pandemic. I could not be more proud of our staff's dedication to our patients and this mission.

Also in 2021, our stellar board chair, Missy Nichols, who boldly led our board for the last decade, reached her term limit and rolled off of the board. BUT, don't worry, she has graciously offered to chair our 2022 Austin Gala! I'm also honored to share that Jed Rogers, veterinarian and CEO of Firehouse Animal Health Centers, has stepped into the role of Board Chair for 2022, so we have outstanding volunteer leadership at the helm.

To be sure, we face a mighty challenge. Emancipet is chasing a bold goal that by 2028, everyone in the United States will have access to veterinary care they can afford. Getting there won't be easy, but we do have some incredible partners in our corner who share our vision. I'm humbled to share that our largest funder, PetSmart Charities has granted us funding to open two new clinics this year – our third in Houston and our second in Philadelphia. And, even more exciting, both clinics will be inside PetSmart retail stores, allowing us to test a new and innovative way of growing our clinic network.

We have great challenges but even greater opportunities ahead. With this truly exceptional staff, board, and YOU as our supporters, I have not a single doubt that we will achieve our bold goal. **Thank you so much!**

Amy Amy Mills, Emancipet CEO

Healthy Pets & Happy People

Even a continued pandemic didn't stop the Emanci-crew from reaching some impressive milestones:



234,231
Visits to our Clinics



177,614
Healthy Pet Check Ups



15
Cities Served by our Mobile Clinics



7,117
Special Services Including Urgent Surgeries, Dentals, and Life-saving Heartworm Treatments



49,440
Low-cost and Free Spay/Neuter Surgeries

You Pulled Together FOR PETS IN 2021



A haul of a good time in Austin.

We know you're always "pulling" for pets, but last year, you really showed your strength! In October, pet-lovers across three major cities turned out for our annual Pulling for Pets Haul-O-Ween competition.

In Houston, Austin, and Philadelphia, over 100 participants competed for bragging rights in our most hilarious, epic fundraiser of the year.

It was people versus our 26,000-pound Austin Mobile Clinic, a Philly water ice truck, and a Houston fire truck in a race to muscle their vehicle over the finish line. Teams competed for fastest pull, best costumes, and most funds raised for pets in need.

Who won?

It's the same every year – local pets and their families are always the winners.

Teammates pulled together their families and friends to raise over **\$85,000** for life-saving vet care for pets in all three cities. Most importantly, they lightened the load – even if just for a day – for pet owners who otherwise may have to choose between paying for groceries and rent, or paying for vet care.

Thank you all for your generosity and for bringing joy to so many Emancipet clients. You mean the world to us and the people and pets we serve.



@cathamedcalvin took home a trophy for best cat costume.

Get ready, PULLING FOR PETS 2022 IS COMING OCTOBER 30



Clara, Moose, and Ross.

Want to get in on the fun this year? Send your national and regional sponsorship and registration inquiries to philanthropy@emancipet.org now! It's never too early.

2021 PRESENTED BY



More Affordable Vet Care Is On The Way EMANCIPET CLINICS AT YOUR LOCAL PETSMART

Today there are 53 million dogs and cats in U.S. households that need some help to afford veterinary care. In fact, over 25 million of those pets rarely, if ever, get the medical care they need.

Why are there so many pets who need our help? It's not because they aren't beloved members of their families – we can tell you thousands of stories to prove that they are. It is simply because in most low-income areas in this country, affordable and accessible veterinary care is extremely difficult to find.

But we're changing that. In the fall of 2019, we went all in – announcing our Bold Goal to see to it that everyone in the country has access to veterinary care they can afford by 2028. While 2020 and 2021 threw some curveballs our way, it also made us even more determined.

We know that to hit our goal, we're going to have to go BIG in 2022. Which is why we're bringing in BIG partners to help. Emancipet is partnering with PetSmart Charities and PetSmart Inc. to open two new nonprofit clinics in Philadelphia and Houston – directly inside of neighborhood PetSmart stores.

PetSmart Charities has been a longtime partner and supporter of Emancipet including:

- Helping us open our first clinic outside of Texas (Philadelphia in 2017).
- Helping us advance affordable veterinary medicine with the Emancipet New School.
- And helping us revolutionize our HR, Finance, and Clinic systems so more of every penny we raise goes directly to local people and pets.



Because of these investments and supporters like you, a typical Emancipet clinic can offer up to 30,000 pet visits each year. That means within a couple of years, our two new clinics can add 60,000 low-cost or free vet visits annually – on top of the more than 230,000 we offer now. Thank you for believing in us PetSmart, and for helping make this magic happen!

But wait, there's more good news coming...

We believe that when given the opportunity, pet owners will do everything they can to give their pets the happiest and healthiest lives. That's why we're making it *affordable and convenient* to get essential vet care when it's needed most.

The nonprofit Emancipet clinics you support can transform communities into places where no one ever has to choose between providing for themselves and caring for their pets. We've been proving that together for over 20 years, starting with one of our very first clinics in East Austin, Texas.

As we offer more and more transformative care for pets and the people who love them, we also know our clinics will need to grow with us. We hope you'll stay tuned for even more exciting announcements, including plans for our East Austin clinic, in the coming year.

Get good news the moment it happens! Sign up for emails at emancipet.org

Thank You FROM LYS & CHICLE



"Affordable vet care is important to me as a small business owner, an artist, and just a human who went through the pandemic. My income basically disappeared overnight and that was a really scary time.

Being able to bring Chicle to Emancipet for what he needed was a complete life saver.

You were there at a time when I really needed some support."

Want to make a difference for people and pets? We're hiring! Visit emancipet.org/careers

Two Holiday Surprises in Philly & Houston

The giving season came early for dozens of Houston pets and hundreds more in Philadelphia when our communities stepped up to help people and pets in need.

Up north, CEO Amy Mills and our staff joined friends and neighbors for a 100-year-old Thanksgiving tradition in Camden, New Jersey, just across the bridge from our Philly clinic. New York Giants Defensive Back Ryan Logan and pet influencer, Keeping Finn, helped organizations including Emancipet offer a free Thanksgiving community grocery store for people and pets, just in time for the holiday.



Our Philly team provided \$100 vet care vouchers.

Together with The Ryan Animal Rescue Foundation (RARF), Companions and Animals for Reform and Equity (CARE), Keeping Finn, and Purina, we helped Camden residents shop for their free thanksgiving meals, pet food, and supplies. Thanks to funding from our partners, Emancipet was able to offer **\$100 vouchers** to Camden pet owners in attendance to cover their veterinary care. Because of our low-cost nonprofit model, \$100 goes a long way to keeping pets healthy all year long. Thank you to our friends for making us a part of this very special tradition.

Our friends at CARE also surprised the Emancipet Philly clinic by covering the cost of all of the surgeries taking place that day, leaving our clients and staff in tears of joy.

Farther south, Houston PetSet – a local nonprofit dedicated to companion animal welfare – surprised dozens of Emancipet clients this December, covering the costs of their pet's care including **115 vaccines, 56 Spay/Neuter surgeries, and much more.**



Xena received a free Heartworm Test, Microchip, and Spay.

Each client was overwhelmed with gratitude – and the generosity didn't stop there. Many of the lucky families who received free care paid it forward to cover a visit or surgery for another client (or several!), keeping the kindness radiating into the new year.

Have Emancipet's Nonprofit Veterinary Clinics helped you or someone you know?

You can pay it forward too by sponsoring another pet's wellness visit, vaccination, or life-saving heartworm treatment at emancipet.org/donate.

Want to help year-round? Join our Nose To Tail Team to sponsor a pet's treatment every month or contact us about more ways to make an impact.

Save The Dates

Mark your calendar and get more details at emancipet.org/calendar

- APRIL**
Houston PetSmart Clinic Grand Opening
- MAY**
Philadelphia PetSmart Clinic Grand Opening
Houston Gala
Philadelphia 5 Year Anniversary Event & Mural Reveal
- SEPTEMBER**
Austin Gala
- OCTOBER**
Pulling For Pets in Austin, Houston, and Philadelphia
- DECEMBER**
Fiesta at Fonda San Miguel in Austin