

**Department:** Community Services      **Program Contact:** Wade Sadler  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating Program      **Program Offer Stage:** As Proposed  
**Related Programs:** 90007  
**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

The Multnomah County Animal Services (MCAS) Animal Health program provides veterinary care 365 days a year for lost, homeless, stray, injured, sick, abandoned, abused and neglected animals found in Multnomah County. The program provides comprehensive veterinary care in our American Animal Hospital Association accredited hospital. In addition to standard veterinary care, the Animal Health program also performs surgical procedures including spay and neuter, dental, amputations, and a variety of other procedures. The primary goal for Animal Health is improving medical and behavioral outcomes for animals, and providing palliative care for animals in need to improve the quality of life for sick and injured animals.

**Program Summary**

The Animal Health program supports Animal Care in providing a clean, comfortable, safe and healthy environment to house and care for all animals that enter the shelter by providing medical protocols and guidelines that protect animals in the shelter from infectious disease outbreaks. Animal Health also provides direct veterinary care including treatments for injuries and illnesses, providing preventative treatments including vaccinations, and providing emergency medical care for animals in distress.

Animal Health also provides surgical care when necessary, including performing spay and neuter surgeries for animals in need of sterilization prior to placement into new homes, amputations, wound repair, dentals, and other procedures as needed. Animal Health facilitates enhanced care for animals in need of specialty procedures such as neurological or orthopedic care. These types of specialized care is funded by private donations via Dolly's Fund, which was established to provide medical care for homeless animals that otherwise would not receive the treatment they need.

In addition to surgical procedures for shelter animals, Animal Health also provides spay and neuter services to low-income community members through a subsidized program called Spay & Save, which is coordinated in partnership with the Animal Shelter Alliance of Portland (ASAP), of which MCAS is a founding member.

Animal Health also provides post-placement support for recent adopters, as well as longer-term support for shelter animals in need through more than 200 volunteer foster homes, which work to rehabilitate or socialize homeless animals in preparation for placement into new homes.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer
Output	Veterinary Consultations and Treatments Provided	N/A	N/A	N/A	8,500
Outcome	Surgeries provided to improve medical and behavior conditions for shelter animals	N/A	N/A	N/A	2,000

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Previously, this program was included in the Animal Care program, which is why there isn't historic data to compare to. Veterinary consultations and treatments provided include exams, diagnostic consultations and care/treatment of injuries and illnesses. Surgeries performed are primarily spay and neuter procedures, but also include other general procedures such as amputations, wound repair, and dental procedures.

## Legal / Contractual Obligation

Oregon Revised Statute 433.340 - 433.390 pertains to Rabies Control which includes: requirements to report animal bites, impoundment, quarantine and disposition requirements, inoculations against rabies requirements, and records requirements.

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Personnel	\$733,098	\$0	\$796,560	\$0
Contractual Services	\$112,000	\$0	\$40,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$116,552	\$0	\$134,551	\$0
Cash Transfers	\$0	\$14,000	\$0	\$10,000
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$961,650</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>\$971,111</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$975,650</b>		<b>\$981,111</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	6.00	0.00	6.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$0
Financing Sources	\$14,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
Service Charges	\$0	\$12,000	\$0	\$10,000
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>\$14,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

In the General Fund, the revenue represents the cash transfer from the Animal Services Fund to the General Fund. Service Charges (\$10,000) primarily includes revenue from co-pays for spay and neuter procedures performed for community members and their pets. These revenues have been significantly impacted by COVID-19 as surgery was initially fully suspended to conserve PPE at the beginning of the pandemic, and has slowly been resumed with a focus primarily on shelter animals.

## Significant Program Changes

**Last Year this program was:** FY 2021: 90007 Animal Services Animal Care

MCAS is partnering in a consultation with the University of Wisconsin Shelter Medicine Program. One of the primary goals of the partnership is to review and evaluate internal processes to ensure excellence in the quality of care we provide for animals in our shelter, including prioritizing behavioral and medical needs and providing focused, individualized care for high-needs animals. This will result in healthier outcomes for animals by eliminating unnecessary work examining and evaluating healthy animals.