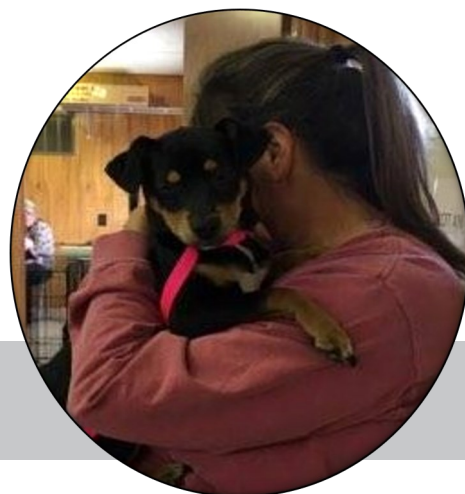




"Saving Lives One SNIP at a Time"



FALL 2019

The Pets' Post

Helping Madison County Residents

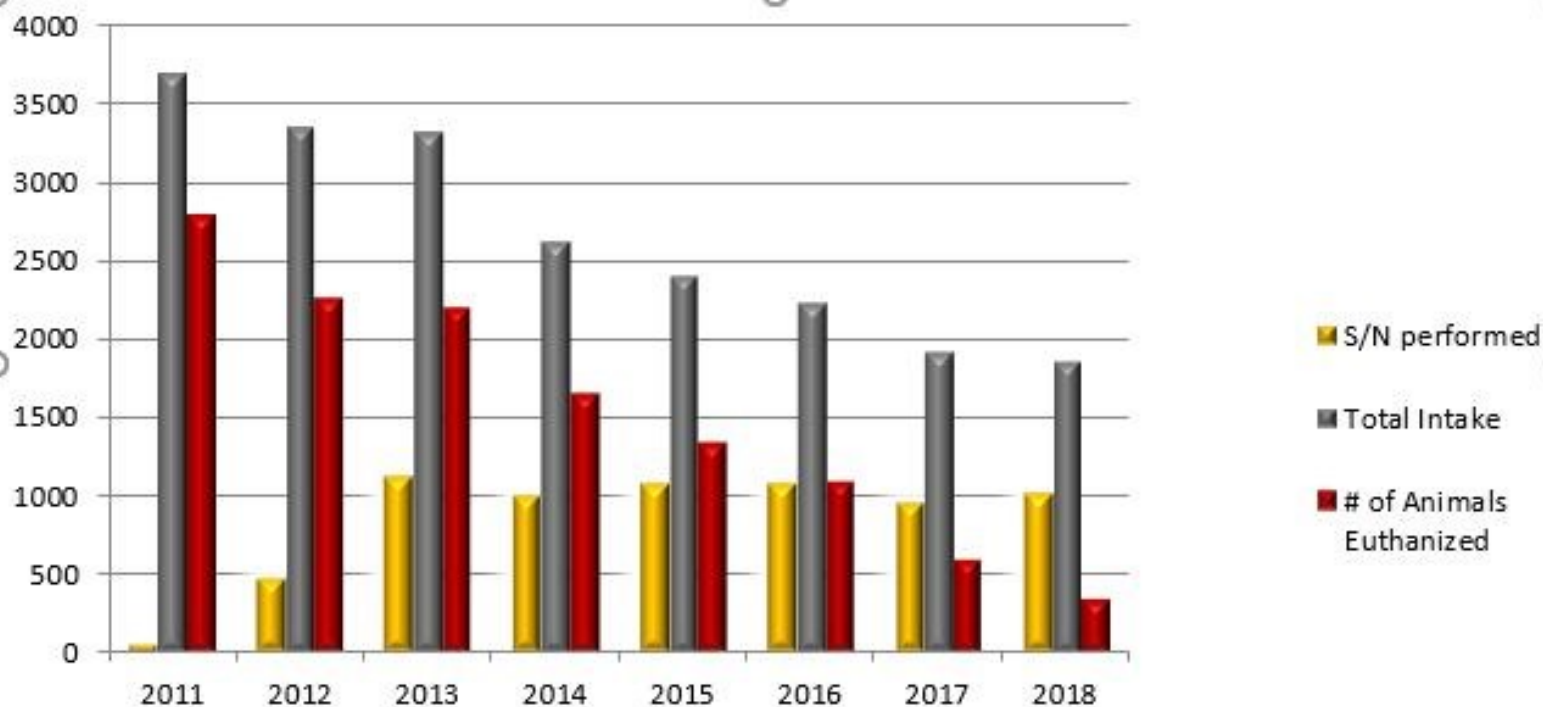
SNIP Alliance is proud to update our supporters on our progress. Over 600 cats/dogs have undergone spay/neuter surgery in 2019, bringing our total to date to 7,875. We are doing our part to reduce the number of unwanted litters of puppies and kittens in Madison County.

Below, on Animal Care and Control graph, you will see the effects of our spay/neuter program on reducing pet overpopulation and euthanasia. SNIP Alliance's work is not only incredibly humane, it is also fiscally responsible. The cost to sterilize an animal is less than housing it in a shelter.

We are grateful to have mobile veterinary services to help us accomplish our mission. Our average cost per animal is \$77.50. Our two-day clinics serve about 60 animals so each clinic runs about \$2,500.00 per day. With your support, we know we can increase the number of clinics offered in 2020.

The RiverBend Pet Food Pantry

was formed in 2016 to further enhance our mission. We aim to keep pet-owners from surrendering or abandoning their pets due to financial difficulties. Currently, our pantry serves approximately 48 homes with 2149 pounds of dog and cat food on a monthly basis. If you would like to make a donation, you can do so at PetCo in Alton or Edwardsville and the Bethalto Spay Clinic.



GREETINGS:

a note from the director

Well, it's been a fast 6 months since I was hired in June. I'm grateful to everyone who has helped me along the way so far! I believe in the work we do because I am passionate about life and caring for those who cannot care for themselves.

Spay/Neuter is the only proactive way to control how many puppies and kittens are born unwanted.

We would like to expand on what we've been doing for the last 10 years by taking our mobile clinics to more towns in Madison County to ensure our services are accessible to as many people as possible. About 67% of our annual \$100,00.00 budget is dedicated to s/n clinics and we are seeking grant funding for those. But, we still need help meeting our daily operating budget in order to keep this work going.

We have a new partner-ship with the Veterans' Assistance Commission of Madison County and we're looking forward to helping vets get their pets fixed and healthy in 2020.

We're implementing a practicum opportunity in 2020 for vet students to work with and observe the vet during a clinic. This is imperative since there is a shortage of vets across the country.

We would like to thank you for your support. Your care for animals and their welfare is the heart and soul of SNIP Alliance and the River-Bend Pet Food Pantry. Together, we will continue to make a difference in our community!



SNIP Alliance is a wonderful program for both pets and owners...and just a great experience all around!

Gabby Shaffer
Satisfied Pet Owner



NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-MAIL _____

(We do not share our donor information)

Do you wish to be added to our email list? Yes ____ No ____

Do you want to volunteer? Yes ____ Please have someone contact me.

Enclosed is my contribution of \$1000 ____ \$500 ____ \$75 ____ \$50 ____ \$25 ____ \$ other ____

ALL DONATIONS ARE WELCOME, NO MATTER THE AMOUNT

If you wish to make a credit card donation, please go to our website at:
www.snipalliance.org/support

SNIP Alliance: Leading the Way in Community Engagement

RBGA Young Adults Committee:

This committee, made up of Alton students and Community Professionals, chose SNIP Alliance as an organization with whom they will donate service hours. We will be making winter cat houses for strays this winter!



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ways you can ...

help us carry on

Cedarhurst—Highland:

We have a new ambassador! Sebastian the mini horse has been visiting the residents at Cedarhurst of Highland. The folks there have generously supported needy pets at our most recent clinic..

Best Friends Trap-Neuter-Return Grant:

Because of this grant, SNIP trapped, fixed, and returned 250 cats in Alton, IL.



Monetary support.

Make regular donations.
You can give on our website:
www.snipalliance.org
Click on the 'Support' tab.

Tell others.

Share our information and follow us on social media.

Volunteer.

Sign-up for our monthly volunteer newsletter on our website under the 'Get Involved' tab.

Join the board.

We are seeking business professionals to join our board. More info on our website under the 'Get Involved' tab.

Join a committee.

You can fill out a volunteer application by going to our website:
www.snipalliance.org/get-involved



Metro East Humane Society and RBPFP

MEHS in cooperation with our RiverBend Pet Food Pantry hosted a wellness clinic specifically for our pantry recipients: 46 dogs and 23 cats were seen.

*To find out more ways on how you
can help SNIP Alliance
please contact us at **618.660.4910**
or visit our website at www.snipalliance.org*

Volunteer spotlight

We are always grateful to our volunteers and the countless hours they give to our cause. This year, since January, we have had over 200 hours in clinic time alone. Each clinic takes about 5 people to make things run as smoothly as possible. Who has the best volunteers? WE DO!

Every month our pantry volunteers show up, no matter the weather, and ensure pet owners can have access to cat/dog food/treats and litter. If they need a bowl, a bed, a crate, a collar or leash, the pantry makes sure those needs are met. Who has the best volunteers? WE DO!



Upcoming events:

#GivingTuesday

Tuesday, December 3rd, 2019
Check out our website or Facebook for ways to give!

Pictures with Santa Paws

Saturday, December 14th, 2019
9:AM - 12:PM
Tractor Supply Company
3001 Homer Adams Parkway Alton, IL 62022

Rock-N-Roll Bingo

Saturday, February 15th, 2020
7:PM - 11:PM
Edwardsville Moose Lodge

psssst: BE SURE TO KEEP IN THE LOOP!

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