



2020

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*For the Innocents*



The GoNorth Animal Transport Collaborative is a project of Peaceful Kingdom, a 501(c)3 animal welfare organization founded in 2000 to introduce innovative approaches to ending animal overpopulation in Knox County, TN, and surrounding counties.

## GoNorth Transport Collaborative 2020



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*I need a ride!*

## Mission

The **GoNorth Transport Collaborative** is a group of east Tennessee animal shelters that transport animals to under-capacity shelters in areas with high adoption demand. *The mission of the GoNorth project is to eliminate euthanasia for space in participating shelters.*

Most shelters in east Tennessee are perpetually overcrowded due to random breeding by the large number of unaltered pets in our communities. In parts of the country where pets are routinely spayed or neutered, pet overpopulation is not a problem. Transporting animals from crowded shelters to shelters that have room for them is a lifesaving strategy to avoid euthanasia for space.

## Operation

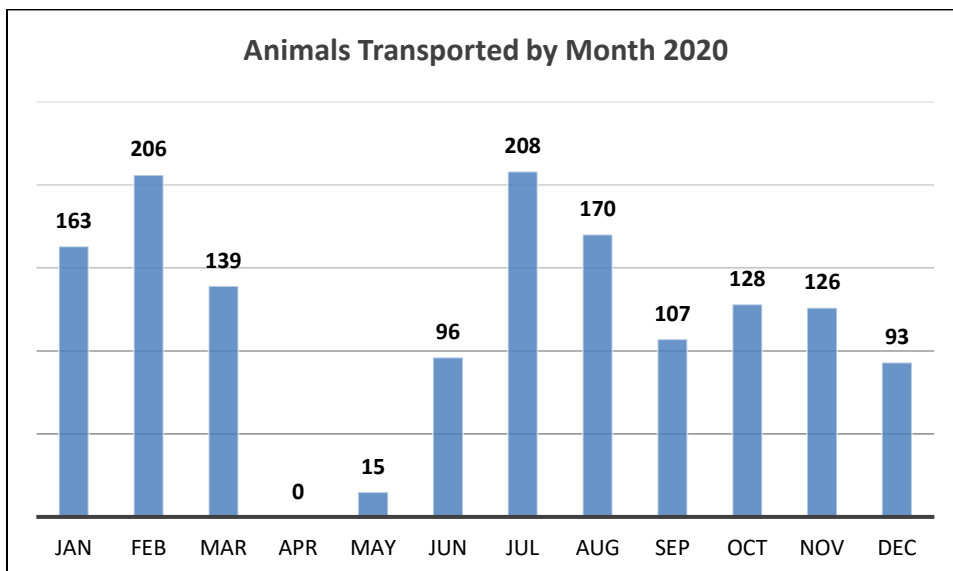
Shelters that participate in the GoNorth project propose healthy, well-socialized candidates for transport. Transport coordinators assemble a roster for transport that is a mix of sizes and breeds. Destination shelters review the proposed rosters. Usually, all candidates are accepted.

Prior to transport, animals are vaccinated, treated for parasites, and heartworm tested (dogs over 6 months only). If they are not spayed or neutered, they will be spayed or neutered at the destination.

On the day of transport, animals are brought to one of several pickup locations. The transport takes place overnight, and the animals sleep through the trip. The transport van arrives at the destination in the early morning, and staff and volunteers welcome the animals.

## Results

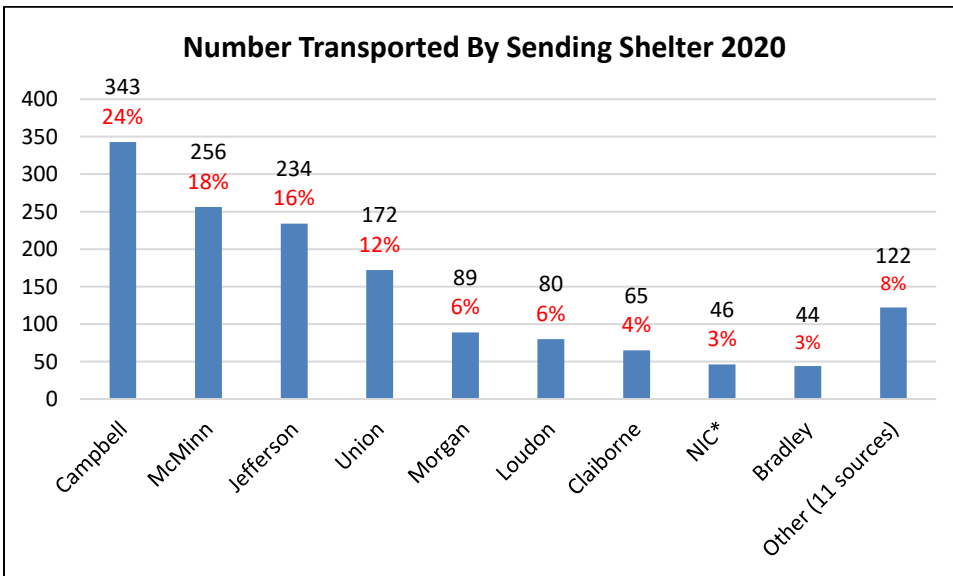
A total of **1451** animals (mostly dogs and puppies) were transported to welcoming destination shelters in 2020 (with an interruption due to COVID-19, shown below). Over **18,500** animals have been transported from east Tennessee to partner shelters since the program's inception in 2012.



## Sending Shelters

GoNorth primarily assists municipal shelters in east Tennessee. In counties where there is no shelter, animal rescue groups sometimes participate. Below is a list of participating counties, followed by the number of animals transported.

Counties participating in GoNorth	Participating organizations
Anderson	Anderson County Animal Shelter Anderson County Animal Rescue Foundation Oak Ridge Animal Shelter
Blount	Blount County Animal Center
Bradley	Bradley County SPCA
Campbell	Campbell County Animal Shelter
Claiborne	Claiborne County Animal Shelter
Hamblen	Morristown Hamblen Humane Society
Jefferson	Companion Animal Rescue & Education
Loudon	Loudon County Animal Shelter
McMinn	McMinn Regional Humane Society
Monroe	Monroe County Animal Shelter
Morgan	Senior Dog Lodge & Animal Rescue
Roane	Roane County Animal Shelter
Scott	For the Love of Paws
Sevier	Sevier Animal Care Center, Sevier County Humane Society
Sullivan	Sullivan County Animal Shelter
Union	Union County Humane Society
Washington	Washington County Animal Shelter

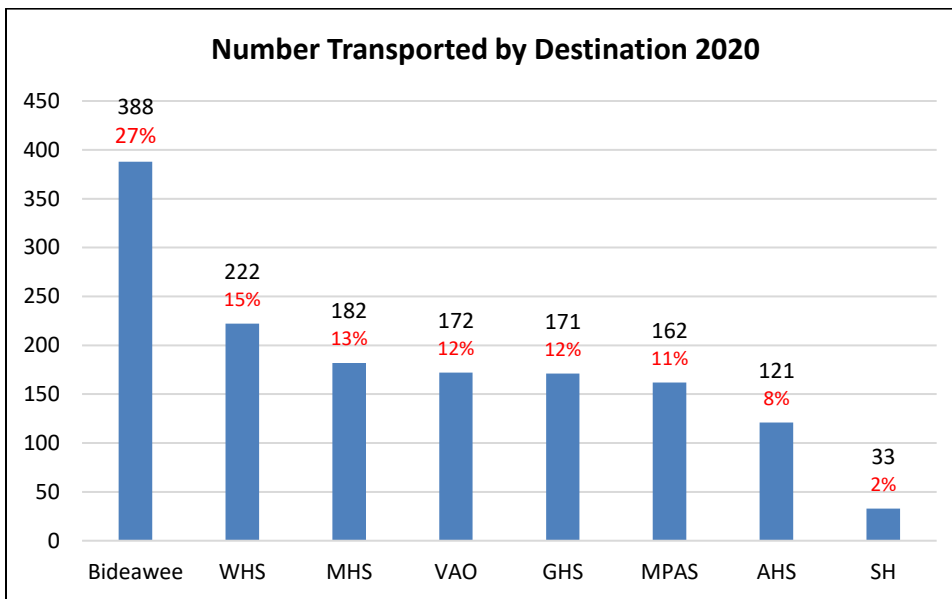


\*NIC is National Intake Center, a facility operated by Delta-21 Resources, Inc., to provide evidentiary control support to federal law enforcement in cases of court-ordered seizure.

## Destination Shelters

Michigan Humane Society and the Wisconsin Humane Society are long-standing partners that have saved the lives of thousands of Tennessee animals. Our several partners in New Jersey have recently become frequent destinations, with a weekly transport that has provided welcome predictability and stability. Specific destinations and the number of animals transported to each are given below.

Destination	Name in table below
Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)	AHS
Bideawee (Wantagh NY)	Bideawee
Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)	GHS
Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)	MHS
Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)	MPAS
St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center (Madison NJ)	SH
Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)	VAO
Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)	WHS



As the name implies, GoNorth transports are usually to northern shelters. Two exceptions are the Greenville Humane Society in Greenville, SC, and Atlanta Humane Society in Alpharetta, GA. It is unusual for a southern animal shelter to be a transport destination, and an explanation follows.

These shelters have high adoption demand, and have already established transport partnerships with shelters in their region and state to try to meet the demand. Greenville Humane Society (GHS) has over 41 neighboring partners, and Atlanta Humane Society (AHS) has over 100. Even with so many in-state partnerships, these shelters need additional partnerships to meet the adoption demand in their locations. GoNorth has been fortunate to be invited to establish partnerships with GHS and AHS. We did due diligence first, however, to ensure that we would not be displacing opportunities for local or regional animals near these shelters.

## Key Personnel

Project Coordinator	Carmen Trammell
Transport Coordinators	Deonna Light, Patricia Siwinski
Drivers	Mike Copeland, Scott Gunter, Tyler Kerns, John Kluever, Judy Kluever, William Simpson, Mike Siwinski, Patricia Siwinski
Van Manager	Campbell County Animal Shelter
<i>Sending Shelter Coordinators</i>	
Anderson: Carrie Brandt	McMinn: Angie DeForrest
Bradley: Amanda Morgan	Monroe: Liz Sneed
Campbell: Patricia Siwinski	Morgan*: Lisa Hill
Claiborne: Misti Sandifer	Scott*: Lauren Jeffers
Hamblen: Sheila Jackson	Sullivan: Brandi Perkey
HSTV: Ashley Schneider	Union: Tammy Rouse
Jefferson: Kris Spencer	Washington: Megan Quinlan
Loudon: April Kyle	*No county shelter. Rescue groups participate.

## Income and Expenses

### Income

Income Source	Amount	% of Income
Grants	62,500	35%
Cost Sharing by Destinations	45,523	25%
Individual Donors	72,234	40%
Total	180,257	100%

### Expenses

(Transport expenses only. Does not include pre-transport vetting expenses paid by sending shelters.)

Expense Item	Amount	% of Expenses
Vehicle <i>Monthly payment, insurance, maintenance, cleaning and supplies</i>	69,436	55%
Travel <i>Fuel, tolls, lodging</i>	12,270	10%
Personnel <i>Coordinators, drivers</i>	44,000	35%
Total	125,706	100%



## Vital Statistics for 2020

### Animals and Transports

Animals Transported	1451
Number of Transports	62
Average Animals per Transport	23

### Senders

Municipal Shelters	16
Non-municipal Shelters	3
Rescue Groups	3
Total Senders	22

### Receivers

Municipal Shelters	0
Non-municipal Shelters	8
Rescue Groups	0
Total Receivers	8

### Revenue Sources

Grantors	3
Donors	21
Cost-Sharing Destinations	6

### Costs

Total Expenses	\$125,706
Average Monthly Expenses	\$10,476
Average Cost per Transport	\$2,028
Average Cost per Animal	\$87

## 2020 Highlights

- **1451 shelter animals got second chances at life. Over 18,000 innocents have been transported to welcoming destination shelters since the GoNorth project began in 2012.**
- The Campbell County Animal Shelter again did an outstanding job of taking care of the GoNorth vehicles. The vehicles are garaged at the shelter, and the shelter provides staff to clean, prep, maintain, and drive the vehicles.
- As was true everywhere, the COVID pandemic adversely affected both accomplishments and expenses. The 1451 animals transported in 2020 was less than half the 3025 transported in 2019. Our fully-burdened cost per animal in 2020 was \$87, compared with \$50 in 2019.
- Our primary vehicle, a 2015 Mercedes Benz Sprinter, now has over 500,000 miles. Maintenance expenses are consuming an ever-larger proportion of the budget.

## 2020 Transports

<b>Date</b>	<b>Number Transported</b>	<b>Destination</b>
2-Jan	23	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
9-Jan	13	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
9-Jan	13	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
9-Jan	1	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
13-Jan	29	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
16-Jan	11	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
16-Jan	6	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
16-Jan	14	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
23-Jan	16	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
23-Jan	5	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
27-Jan	17	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
27-Jan	15	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
4-Feb	20	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
6-Feb	21	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
6-Feb	3	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
6-Feb	17	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
12-Feb	30	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
13-Feb	20	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
13-Feb	6	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
13-Feb	7	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
18-Feb	19	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
20-Feb	18	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
20-Feb	5	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
26-Feb	13	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
27-Feb	21	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
27-Feb	6	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
2-Mar	26	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
4-Mar	22	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
9-Mar	14	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
11-Mar	44	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
12-Mar	25	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
12-Mar	8	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
28-May	8	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
28-May	7	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
4-Jun	11	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
4-Jun	13	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
11-Jun	11	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)

11-Jun	11	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
17-Jun	24	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
22-Jun	15	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
22-Jun	11	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
2-Jul	16	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
2-Jul	12	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
2-Jul	11	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
9-Jul	14	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
9-Jul	5	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
9-Jul	8	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
13-Jul	40	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
16-Jul	7	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
16-Jul	10	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
16-Jul	6	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
22-Jul	26	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
23-Jul	6	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
23-Jul	18	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
23-Jul	7	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
29-Jul	22	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
3-Aug	18	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
6-Aug	11	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
6-Aug	16	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
6-Aug	5	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
13-Aug	4	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
13-Aug	11	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
13-Aug	8	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
17-Aug	24	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
25-Aug	25	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
27-Aug	13	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
27-Aug	11	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
31-Aug	24	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
9-Sep	17	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
10-Sep	10	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
10-Sep	9	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
14-Sep	16	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
17-Sep	12	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
17-Sep	10	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
28-Sep	33	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
1-Oct	10	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
1-Oct	11	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
8-Oct	15	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)

8-Oct	13	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
13-Oct	20	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
14-Oct	17	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
15-Oct	18	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
15-Oct	3	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
27-Oct	21	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
5-Nov	13	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
5-Nov	8	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
16-Nov	17	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
19-Nov	9	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
19-Nov	11	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
22-Nov	20	St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center (Madison NJ) <i>Joint transport with the Humane Society of the Tennessee Valley</i>
25-Nov	19	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
30-Nov	29	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
8-Dec	20	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
9-Dec	14	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
15-Dec	13	St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center (Madison NJ) <i>Joint transport with the Humane Society of the Tennessee Valley</i>
20-Dec	12	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
20-Dec	10	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
20-Dec	3	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
30-Dec	21	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
<b>Total</b>	<b>1451</b>	

## **APPENDIX**

### **Pictures of Transported Animals**

**See *<https://gonorthtransport.org/the-passengers/>***