

2022

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 2022



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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

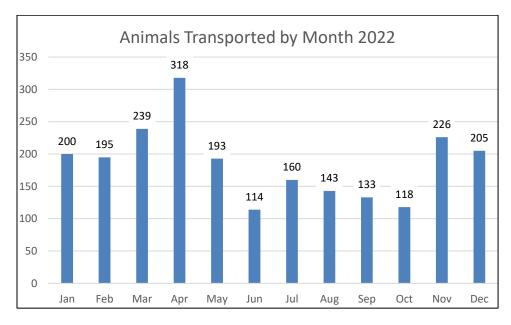
Shelters that participate in the GoNorth project propose healthy, well-socialized candidates for transport. Transport coordinators assemble a roster for transport that is a mix of sizes and breeds. Destination shelters review the proposed rosters. Usually, all candidates are accepted.

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

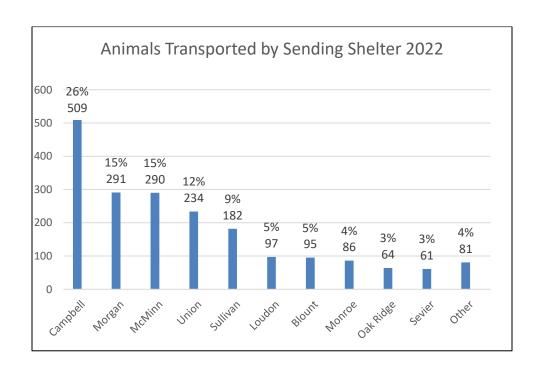
A total of **2244** animals (mostly dogs and puppies) were transported to welcoming destination shelters in 2022. Over **22,000** animals have been transported from east Tennessee to partner shelters since the program's inception in 2012.



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 organizations that sent animals on transport.

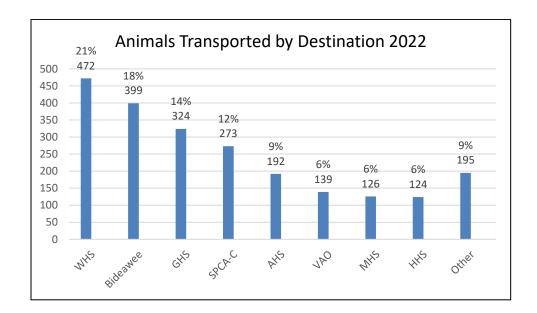
Counties participating in GoNorth	Participating organizations
Anderson	Oak Ridge Animal Shelter
Blount	Blount County Animal Center Blount County Animal Welfare Society
Campbell	Campbell County Animal Shelter
Hamblen	Morristown Hamblen Humane Society
Knox	Humane Society of the Tennessee Valley
Jefferson	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
Sevier	Sevier Animal Care Center
Sevier	Sevier County Humane Society
Sullivan	Animal Shelter of Sullivan County
Union	Union County Humane Society



Destination Shelters

Destinations and the number of animals transported to each are given below.

Destination	Abbreviation in the table below
Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)	AHS
Bideawee (Wantagh NY)	Bideawee
Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)	GHS
Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)	MPAS
Pennsylvania SPCA (Philadelphia PA)	PSPCA
SPCA Cincinnati	SPCA-C
Toronto Humane Society	THS
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, Mike Siwinski, Patricia Siwinski	
Van Preparation and Cleaning	Scott Gunter,	
	Campbell County Animal Shelter	
Van Maintenance and Repair Mike Copeland		
Sending Shelter Coordinators		
Blount: Tracy Longhurst	McMinn: Cheryl Rhodes	
Campbell: Patricia Siwinski	Monroe: Liz Sneed	
Hamblen: Sheila Jackson	Morgan: Lisa Hill	
HSTV: Ashley Schneider	Oak Ridge*: Jean Parker	
Jefferson: various	Sullivan: Karen Fox	
Loudon: April Kyle	Union: Tammy Rouse	
	*in Anderson county	

Income and Expenses

Income

Income Source	Amount	% of Income
Grants	31,000	29%
Cost Sharing by Destinations	47,280	44%
Individual Donors	30,296	28%
Total	108,576	100%

Expenses

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

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Expense Item	Amount	Expenses
Vehicle		
Monthly payment, insurance,	43,198	36%
maintenance, cleaning and supplies		
Travel	32,852	28%
Fuel, tolls, lodging	32,632	2070
Personnel	42,500	36%
Coordinators, drivers	42,500	30%
Total	118,550	100%

Vital Statistics for 2022

Animals and Transports

Animals Transported	2244
Number of Transports	104
Average Animals per Transport	22

Senders

Municipal Shelters	12
Non-municipal Shelters	2
Rescue Groups	1
Total Senders	15

Receivers

Municipal Shelters	0
Non-municipal Shelters	8
Rescue Groups	1
Total Receivers	9

Revenue Sources

Grantors	2
Donors	20
Cost-Sharing Destinations	6

Costs

Total Expenses	\$118,550
Average Monthly Expenses	\$9,879
Average Cost per Transport	\$1,140
Average Cost per Animal	\$53

2022 Highlights

- 2244 shelter animals got second chances at life. Over 22,000 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.
- 2022 was a year of retrenchment. With the loss of two significant sources of funding in 2021 and a consequent deficit of \$42,734 carried into 2022, commitments were scaled back to match resources. Even so, the number of shelter animals served was close to our annual target of 2600 animals (2 transports per week * 25 animals per transport * 52 weeks).

2022 Transports

	Number	
Date	Transported	Destination
3-Jan	25	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
5-Jan	15	SPCA Cincinnati
9-Jan	17	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
10-Jan	16	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
13-Jan	33	Harbor Humane Society (Mt. Olive MI)
18-Jan	12	SPCA Cincinnati
20-Jan	19	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
25-Jan	24	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
26-Jan	18	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
27-Jan	15	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
27-Jan	6	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
3-Feb	18	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
3-Feb	22	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
3-Feb	9	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
8-Feb	23	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
10-Feb	42	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
17-Feb	11	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
17-Feb	7	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
17-Feb	5	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
23-Feb	18	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
24-Feb	19	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
27-Feb	17	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
27-Feb	4	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
1-Mar	25	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
4-Mar	14	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
4-Mar	4	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
8-Mar	16	Harbor Humane Society (Mt. Olive MI)
8-Mar	29	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
9-Mar	15	Toronto Humane Society (Toronto, Ontario, Canada)
15-Mar	33	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
16-Mar	28	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
17-Mar	18	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
21-Mar	19	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
24-Mar	10	SPCA Cincinnati
24-Mar	15	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
24-Mar	13	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
5-Apr	50	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
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5-Apr	25	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
6-Apr	18	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
7-Apr	21	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
7-Apr	4	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
7-Apr	2	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
11-Apr	14	SPCA Cincinnati
12-Apr	25	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
14-Apr	35	Harbor Humane Society (Mt. Olive MI)
14-Apr	8	SPCA Cincinnati
14-Apr	18	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
21-Apr	16	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
21-Apr	6	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
25-Apr	28	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
28-Apr	15	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
28-Apr	13	SPCA Cincinnati
28-Apr	20	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
3-May	40	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
12-May	16	SPCA Cincinnati
18-May	33	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
19-May	11	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
19-May	4	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
24-May	32	Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI)
25-May	11	SPCA Cincinnati
25-May	15	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
30-May	24	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
30-May	7	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
8-Jun	29	SPCA Cincinnati
23-Jun	19	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
23-Jun	10	SPCA Cincinnati
28-Jun	28	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
30-Jun	21	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
30-Jun	6	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
30-Jun	1	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
5-Jul	15	Toronto Humane Society (Toronto, Ontario, Canada)
11-Jul	21	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
13-Jul	21	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
19-Jul	26	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
21-Jul	23	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
21-Jul	15	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
21-Jul	6	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
21-Jul	3	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)

27-Jul	10	SPCA Cincinnati
27-Jul	20	Harbor Humane Society (Mt. Olive MI)
3-Aug	14	SPCA Cincinnati
10-Aug	32	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
15-Aug	20	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
15-Aug	9	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
17-Aug	24	PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA)
17-Aug	1	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
22-Aug	19	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
22-Aug	2	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
22-Aug	6	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
25-Aug	16	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
7-Sep	26	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
8-Sep	21	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
8-Sep	6	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
8-Sep	19	PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA)
15-Sep	13	SPCA Cincinnati
15-Sep	9	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
22-Sep	22	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
22-Sep	8	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
28-Sep	9	SPCA Cincinnati
11-Oct	18	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
13-Oct	22	PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA)
13-Oct	10	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
13-Oct	4	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
14-Oct	12	SPCA Cincinnati
20-Oct	10	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
20-Oct	18	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
20-Oct	4	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
26-Oct	20	Harbor Humane Society (Mt. Olive MI)
2-Nov	17	SPCA Cincinnati
2-Nov	20	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
7-Nov	19	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
7-Nov	9	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
7-Nov	4	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
12-Nov	39	Louie's Legacy (Manhattan NY) Monroe transport
15-Nov	20	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
16-Nov	36	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
21-Nov	37	SPCA Cincinnati
28-Nov	12	Toronto Humane Society (Toronto, Ontario, Canada)
30-Nov	13	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)

1-Dec	17	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
1-Dec	20	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
1-Dec	5	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
1-Dec	7	Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ)
12-Dec	26	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
14-Dec	47	Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC)
15-Dec	18	Bideawee (Wantagh NY)
15-Dec	7	Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Vorhees Township NJ)
19-Dec	22	Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI)
20-Dec	13	Atlanta Humane Society (Alpharetta GA)
22-Dec	8	SPCA Cincinnati
30-Dec	15	SPCA Cincinnati
Total	2244	

APPENDIX

Pictures of Transported Animals

See https://gonorthtransport.org/the-passengers/