THE MISSION OF THE MASSACHUSETTS SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS–ANGELL ANIMAL MEDICAL CENTER IS TO PROTECT ANIMALS, RELIEVE THEIR SUFFERING, ADVANCE THEIR HEALTH AND WELFARE, PREVENT CRUELTY, AND WORK FOR A JUST AND COMPASSIONATE SOCIETY.

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Without a doubt, Angell Animal Medical Center, which celebrated its Centennial in 2015, is part of a long and glorious tradition of healing. Its curative influence is indisputable, and we are, as an organization, tremendously proud of Angell.

But long before 1915, when our hospital opened, the MSPCA was already in the healing business. Healing is defined as “the process of curing, physical or spiritual,” and we can easily find literally millions of examples since the MSPCA’s founding in 1868 when animals have been healed here: cured of loneliness, homelessness, disease, injury, fear, hostility, sadness, and more. Before we had a hospital, animals were healed through services offered by our law enforcement officers, humane educators, and advocacy experts, and they still are. Since the availability of Angell’s medical expertise, even more animals are cured, body and soul.

We can also say, I think, that at least an equal number of humans have been healed here. People are healed when they adopt an animal who enhances their quality of life in a significant way. They are healed when their beloved companion finds relief from pain and moves toward wellness. They are healed when they join a cause and are able to make a difference in the way compassion flows into the world. And they are healed when they help us financially, because they know they are doing good and giving their trust to an organization that will do good in their name.

I’m thinking about a gentle Labrador Retriever named Callie Mae. When she was surrendered to us, Callie had such extensive damage to her left front leg that it had to be amputated. Once she recuperated, she was adopted by a couple who provide custom braces and artificial limbs to people dealing with traumatic injuries and other serious conditions. Callie now spends her days with these patients, slipping her head under their hands so they can feel her soft fur, or just staying near them as they endure their therapies. She is sharing her healing in a most inspiring way – something she might never have been able to do had she not received treatment at the MSPCA–Angell.

I know that all of you, who are so generous to us, appreciate the importance of our healing tradition. Your generosity is a major factor in everything we do. Thank you so much for your respect and support.

I hope you will enjoy our 2015 Year in Review.

Carter Luke
President
Our MSPCA adoption centers serve a need that will probably always be with us to some extent, but part of their mission is to make themselves less and less indispensable to a more and more compassionate society. Toward this end, our staff members build their priority lists on educating the public about pet care and finding creative ways to make animals in our shelters accessible to those who might not otherwise be able to afford adoption fees.

In collaboration with Angell Animal Medical Center, they work to heal not just wounds and illnesses, but loneliness and confusion, replacing those feelings with hope.

In 2015, adoption center cats were the recipients of many of these efforts. Through the implementation of progressive, innovative spay/neuter programs, we are seeing a significant decline in the number of kittens and adult cats coming into our centers, and as that number declines, we are able to devote more resources to the individual cats -- some of them special needs animals-- who require our care. Fee-waived or fee-reduced adoption promotions also help to pare down the adoption center feline population.

Dogs, of course, and rabbits, birds, and other small animals, find a loving way-station in all our adoption centers too, and Nevins Farm provides sanctuary to farm animals of all species.

Our adoption center staff members strive to understand both animals and humans, and use that understanding as a baseline for their efforts to prevent homelessness and create a better world for animals and humans alike.

**HEALING LONELINESS WITH HOPE**

**MSPCA ANIMAL CARE AND ADOPTION CENTERS**

**BOSTON | METHUEN | CENTERVILLE**

**WE PLACED 6,864 ANIMALS IN NEW HOMES IN 2015! HERE ARE JUST THREE SPECIAL CASES...**

**FLORA**

Rescued by MSPCA Law Enforcement, this severely emaciated senior horse had a large, badly infected wound on her back. She experienced the first medical care and loving attention she had in years at Nevins Farm. Flora was eventually adopted after a period of recuperation in foster care, where she regained a healthy weight.

**71 DACHSHUNDS**

Little dogs of all sizes, genders, ages, and colors were surrendered to us from a breeding operation. They were underweight, matted, covered in urine and feces, and had been housed outside in the harsh winter weather. We gave them medical treatment, behavior evaluations, and lots of affection at our adoption centers, until they could be adopted out, both from Boston and Methuen.

**BUDDY, CHIBBY, & SPIKE**

These “three amigos,” all seniors, lived for seven years in a dark basement before they were surrendered to our Cape Cod Adoption Center, crammed together in a plastic bin. Their extensive dental issues had to be treated, and one dog had heartworm and Lyme disease. In spite of their ordeals, all three dogs were sweet and social, and were eventually adopted out.

**IN 2015**

6,864 animals were placed into new homes.

578 foster homes provided care for 1386 animals who were not quite ready for adoption.

1,587 volunteers helped with animal care, special events, and office work.

2,472 people attended training classes with their dogs or scheduled individual behavior consultations.

387 children and 35 junior counselors participated in Nevins Summer Camp.

740 preschoolers attended “Little Bookworms” story hours in Boston and at Nevins Farm.

9 horse events were attended by equine ambulance staff, who traveled throughout the United States and Canada. The ambulance served as the official ambulance of the Pan Am Games in Ontario.

720 people attended 18 training classes for equine and large animal rescue.

170 tons of hay, 95 tons of shavings, and 50 tons of grain were used for the farm animals’ care.

113 families participated in family service day at Nevins Farm.

385 children participated in the Nevins Farm Junior Volunteer Program.
2015: ANGELL’S CENTENNIAL YEAR

ANGELL ANIMAL MEDICAL CENTER

STILL TAKING THE LEAD

AS ANGELL ANIMAL MEDICAL CENTER LOOKS TOWARD IT’S NEXT 100 YEARS, THE HOSPITAL IS POISED TO CONTINUE ITS LONG TRADITION OF HEALING.

2015 was a year to celebrate! In 1915, the MSPCA enhanced its far-reaching reputation and extended the influence of its mission by establishing, on Longwood Avenue in Boston, the first animal hospital in New England. Angell Memorial Animal Hospital, or “Angell” as it has come to be known, would be the first and only animal hospital connected to a humane organization. In 1915, Dr. Francis Rowley, the MSPCA’s second president, wisely foresaw the need for a treatment center for the diseases of companion animals that would also become a facility where advances could be made in veterinary science.

One hundred years later, Angell Animal Medical Center, now serving almost 62,000 patients a year, is still dedicated to providing companion animals with the highest standard of medical care for general wellness, emergency, and specialty needs, delivered with compassion by its experienced veterinarians and staff. In 2014, the MSPCA–Angell West opened its doors in Waltham, and we look forward to broadening Angell’s reach through upcoming projects as well.

George Thorndike Angell’s legacy lives on in the ever-evolving work that takes place in the remarkable medical center named in his honor. Angell is now in the midst of an exciting capital campaign, a 25-million-dollar effort that will enable the hospital’s innovative work to continue. Campaign contributions will provide Angell caregivers with up-to-date equipment and renovated space, and will allow more animals to receive top-of-the-line treatment by offering financial aid to economically strained owners.

AS A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION, THE MSPCA–ANGELL PROVIDES MEDICAL CARE FOR ABUSED ANIMALS AND HOMELESS ANIMALS, AS WELL AS ANIMALS WHOSE OWNERS NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN ORDER TO MEET THEIR ANIMALS’ MEDICAL NEEDS. IN 2014, THE MSPCA–ANGELL SPENT $2,423,320 ON THOSE ANIMALS NEEDING OUR SPECIAL SUPPORT.

IN BOSTON, IN 2015

61,978 pets were served.
73 veterinarians cared for those animals.
18,103 pets received emergency care.
5,754 animals received “advanced imaging” (CT, MRI, and nuclear medicine).
1,479 radiation treatments were given.
671 appointments were seen by our pain medicine service.

IN WALTHAM, IN 2015

6,824 pets were served.
15 veterinarians cared for those animals.
1,812 pets received emergency care.
MSPCA–ANGELL

IN THE NEWS

We think it’s important to get all the news out about our programs and services—and we know from the feedback we receive that stories like this mean a lot to the people who see them. Here are just a few of the remarkable stories about MSPCA–Angell animals and people that made news in 2015.

ANNA & ELSA
In October, two dirty and terrified ten-week-old kittens were rescued from a construction site in Dorchester and brought to us by a good Samaritan. Our staff discovered that the sisters, dubbed Anna and Elsa, had been born without eyelids, a congenital condition called agenesis. They would need surgery from an Angell ophthalmologist to save their eyesight. Dr. Martin Coster performed a surgery on one kitten named Phil, whose recovery made headlines around the world in 2014. The operation was similar to the one Dr. Coster performed on a kitten in a construction site in Dorchester and brought to us by a good Samaritan. Our staff discovered that the sisters, dubbed Anna and Elsa, had been born without eyelids, a congenital condition called agenesis.

The operation was similar to the one Dr. Coster performed on a kitten named Phil, whose recovery made headlines around the world in 2014. Like Phil, Anna and Elsa recovered beautifully and were adopted into a wonderful new home, their traumatic kittenhood changed into a sweet dream of happiness.

YORKIPOOS & PARAKEETS
A cramped and dirty one-bedroom apartment was the only home that 14 Yorkipoos, one elderly Chihuahua, and four parakeets had known until they were voluntarily surrendered in July and began their journey to new homes via the MSPCA’s Nevins Farm. All of the dogs, ranging from 6 weeks to 12 years old, were part of an unlicensed breeding operation. The youngest puppies went to foster care, and some of the older dogs, who had never been out of the apartment, received training for basic skills like walking on a leash. The parakeets joined Nevins’ already crowded bird room, where all the feathered friends were waiting for their forever homes. The dogs stimulated great interest from the public, and were adopted out as soon as they became available.

MOCHA
Fortunately for a five-year-old Doberman named Mocha, her owners were thinking quickly when they discovered the chewed remains of three wrist watches on their floor. They rushed their dog to Angell’s emergency room, where Mocha underwent a three-hour endoscopy to determine the quantity of watchbands and hardware she had ingested. Our surgical team was able to remove some of the material with the endoscopy instruments, and then decided to let nature take its course. Over the next few days, Mocha eliminated about a pound of broken leather straps, buckles, and assorted metal pieces, and she eventually passed the rest. No surgical intervention was necessary this time, but Mocha’s Angell record also shows that she had previously swallowed a plastic container lid that caused an obstruction. Mocha’s family is now “watching” her very carefully!

Everyone reading through the lists of cases investigated and criminal complaints lodged by members of our Law Enforcement Department might easily become depressed by the sheer variety and intensity of ways that humans find to make life miserable for innocent animals, but it’s important to keep in mind that without Law Enforcement efforts like ours, the situation would be undeniably worse.

Efforts to prevent the occurrence of animal-cruelty offenses are the backbone of our Law Enforcement Department.

The department’s instructive efforts are usually successful, but when they fail, our Officers are fully prepared to take whatever action is necessary to protect the animals involved. They handle every case with expertise and sensitivity, acutely aware that precious lives — both animal and human — depend on them for improvement. These strong women and men are true communicators, who use their skills to enable people to succeed in humane interactions with animals.

In 2015, two of our Animal Welfare Agents, Elysse Kelly and Chelsea Sondern, participated in 518 educational or advisory sessions with animal owners.

In 2015, our team of MSPCA Law Enforcement Officers:

• Investigated 1,864 complaints of alleged abuse or neglect, resulting in 607 warnings and 19 criminal complaints
• Referred 147 cases to other agencies or resources
• Performed 2,938 case re-checks to ensure compliance
• Participated in 518 educational or advisory sessions with animal owners
• Accepted the voluntary surrender of 389 animals
• Made 153 court appearances

MSPCA HUMANE LAW ENFORCEMENT

HEALING THROUGH EDUCATION AND ACTION
GETTING THE GOOD NEWS OUT!
COMMUNICATIONS AND THE MSPCA–ANGELL

We want our message of kindness and care for animals to find its way into as many hearts as possible, so we use all the contemporary communications tools at our disposal toward that end.

More than 60 press releases and hundreds of print, online, and broadcast news stories combined to make 2015 another banner year on the public relations front. Our Public Relations efforts drove $50,000 in donations to support our animal protection and veterinary programs in 2015, double the amount raised the previous year. We directed our PR efforts where they were needed most — from driving legislators to embrace an ivory and rhino horn ban to rallying support for a ballot initiative to end cruel confinement of farm animals. We secured a prominently placed investigative journalism driven story in The Boston Globe exposing the large, underground market for illegal ivory sales in Massachusetts, which drove extensive follow-up media coverage of this critical issue. This crucial ban is still not in place, but we’re closer than we’ve ever been thanks to our PR efforts.

More than 100,000 of our online registrants received our MSPCA–Angell e-newsletters.

More than 40,000 of our supporters received our Companion newsletter, while many accessed it online.

In January 2015, 44,800 people “liked” us on Facebook. By January 2016, that number had increased to more than 49,300, continuing a steady trend of growth for our social media efforts. We have also noticed an encouraging 20% increase in our followers on Twitter, from 4,900 in 2014 to nearly 5,900 by the end of 2015.

Website visits to mspca.org saw a modest increase when compared to 2014, which means roughly 2.97 million visits occurred in 2015. Recognizing that, in line with current trends, more than half of our site visitors were accessing our website from a mobile device, we launched newly redesigned, fully responsive website to encourage more meaningful engagement with our mission and to offer easier ways to support it. As a result, more pages of our site are being viewed, and visitors are spending more time on our site per visit.

850 referring, primary care veterinarians read our Partners in Care newsletter and/or attended our Angell Continuing Education events. We further strengthened our ties with many of these loyal referrers by providing clinical lunch-and-learn sessions at their practices.

650 Angell alumni read our Alumni Newsletter with information about new Angell technology and updates from former residents and interns. Two hundred and thirteen of these alumni are members of our Angell Alumni Facebook group.

1,000 members of the Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association read our monthly, informative specialty articles and viewed our full-page ads in the trade publication Mass Vet News. In addition, many of these members visited our exhibits and heard our speakers at regional veterinary conferences.

300 referring clinicians attended our continuing education seminars to learn best practices and new techniques from Angell’s specialists.

3,200 clinicians received our quarterly Angell veterinary e-newsletter, which provided clinical tips and in-depth specialty articles.

IN 2015:
We worked with a coalition to launch a ballot question campaign to ensure that egg-laying hens, female breeding pigs, and veal calves are not kept in cages so small they can’t turn around or extend their limbs. More than 133,000 signatures were gathered from voters who want the question to appear on the ballot in November 2016. We will encourage voters to vote YES on this question.

We served on the task force formed as a part of last year’s Protecting Animal Welfare and Safety Act (PAWS) to evaluate and make recommendations for further improvements to many of the state’s laws that impact animals.

We worked with a broad coalition to draft and lobby for a new bill to clamp down on illegal ivory and rhino horns sales by prohibiting the sale, trade, and distribution of these items within the Commonwealth.

We testified on more than 30 bills, attended dozens of hearings, and met with numerous elected officials.

We held a successful Lobby Day, where hundreds of people registered to meet with their elected officials about animal protection legislation.

We testified in opposition to the first hunt in the state’s Blue Hills Reservation in more than 100 years. Our comments focused on the lack of serious investigation into alternatives, the reliance on old or incomplete data, and the abbreviated public process.

We submitted comments in response to Governor Baker’s Executive Order 562 relating to the review of state regulations. We provided comments on strengthening pet shop regulations, preventing breed-specific discrimination by state agencies, and on several issues relating to animals in shelters.

We participated in an event with Boston City Councilors where a City of Boston resolution was unveiled to encourage residents to spay and neuter their pets, mentioning the MSPCA’s programs to help provide this surgery.

We fought off a budget amendment to create a commission that was designed to expand trapping opportunities with body-gripping traps. We also opposed bills to expand trapping opportunities and to remove the 300-year-old ban on Sunday hunting.

We granted out almost $25,000 to municipalities and other entities to install humane and long-lasting and environmentally beneficial water flow devices to resolve beaver-related flooding and to demonstrate the successful use of alternatives to lethal methods, such as trapping.

Please visit mspca.org/get-involved/advocate-for-animals, and join our Animal Action Team.
PREVENTING FUTURE SUFFERING
SPAY/NEUTER EFFORTS AT THE MSPCA–ANGELL

Just too many unwanted animals. It’s a problem everywhere. Spay/neuter surgeries don’t just prevent pet pregnancies — they prevent cruelty, abuse, and homelessness. Pet overpopulation, especially feline overpopulation, is a guarantee that great numbers of animals will end up in adoption centers — or worse.

Here at the MSPCA–Angell, we’ve rallied around the cause of abolishing pet overpopulation. We’re working to prevent the suffering of future generations of animals by investing energy and resources in aiding spay/neuter efforts in all the areas we serve.

IN 2015, ORGANIZATION-WIDE, WE STERILIZED 8,737 ANIMALS — DOGS, CATS, AND SMALL ANIMALS!

This monumental achievement was brought about at all four of our locations and through the efforts of our staff who work in our Shalit–Glazer Clinic, our adoption centers, Angell–Boston, and MSPCA–Angell West. Monies flowed in from a variety of donors. Spay/neuter promotions and community efforts got the word out and brought in hundreds of animals for these essential surgeries.

Also, our Spay/Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP) continues to collaborate with the Massachusetts Veterinary Medical Association to offer reduced-cost pet sterilization to low-income pet owners by means of a discount certificate redeemable at participating veterinary practices.

Working collaboratively, both within our organization and with outside individuals and groups, we are educating the public and helping pet owners do the right thing for their pets. We’re preventing future suffering by helping them shape a future that is more compassionate and just.

The 8,737 animals who received spay/neuter surgeries at the MSPCA–Angell in 2015 will never contribute to the enormous problem of pet overpopulation. They will live happy, healthy lives in loving homes, as all pets should. We are happy about our spay/neuter numbers for 2015, and look forward to improving upon them in years to come.
Fundraising is a serious endeavor, of course...but when it comes to raising money for the animals, it’s easy to couple that with having a lot of fun. Each year the MSPCA–Angell hosts several major events, as well as many smaller ones held by various programs at various locations.

Raie the Woof Gala
In October 2015, at the Boston Center for the Arts Cyclorama, more than 450 animal lovers and about 40 of their canine companions gathered to celebrate our programs and services. The Noble Award in Humane Philanthropy was presented to Overseer Bebe Wunderlich. Our emcee was MSPCA-Angell’s longtime friend Randy Price of WCVB-TV, and the event chairs were Ron and Julie Drucker and Lori and Matthew Sidman, with Stephanie Loeber serving as vice-chair. Ticket sales and auctions raised nearly $680,000 for the animals.

The Furry Affair
The Annual Cape Cod Furry Affair, chaired by Overseer Maggie DeSantis Ahern and held June 19 at Willowbend Country Club, drew together hundreds of animal lovers, including author Casey Sherman and Bobby Orr, champion NHL player. The Guardian Angel Award was presented to Patricia Woodward, and emcee Susan Wornick also served as auctioneer. The event generated over $268,000 for the Cape Cod MSPCA.

Angell Centennial Gala
On July 9, 2015, nearly 350 Angell enthusiasts gathered at the Colonnade Hotel to wish Angell Animal Medical Center a happy 100th birthday. The joyous and elegant celebration honored retired Angell superstars Drs. Carpenter and Harpster, and brought together alumni from Angell resident and intern classes through the years as well as early contributors to our Capital Campaign. It was “the party that only happens once every hundred years!”

The 2015 Walk for Animals
More than 1,500 dogs took 2,500 dedicated human companions for a brisk walk at three MSPCA adoption center locations on September 26, 2016, raising more than $250,000 for direct care for animals through the participation of enthusiastic Walk-team donors. Fun activities included microchipping, “Ask the Vet,” and an obedience demonstration. Many team leaders recruited members and managed their teams through our user-friendly online registration system.
For more than 80 years, the MSPCA has managed the American Fondouk, an animal hospital in Fez, Morocco that treats more than 7,000 animals a year — all free of charge. Dr. Gigi Kay and her staff care for working animals who, through their tireless labor, support poor Moroccan families. Veterinary treatment at the Fondouk is often the first and only medical care these hardworking animals receive.

The Fondouk staff teaches people how to care for their working animals compassionately. This prevents future problems for the animals and gives their owners a chance to feel less helpless about the hardships they endure.

The young donkey pictured here was severely dehydrated and in extreme pain when he was brought to see Fondouk veterinarians. He had been unable to eat or defecate for two days and his condition was critical. An examination revealed that the animal’s poor condition was caused by a displaced and impacted small intestine. After three days of intense treatment at the Fondouk, the donkey’s condition improved dramatically. His owner, who was still paying off the animal’s purchase price, was tremendously grateful that his beloved donkey and work partner had been saved.

YOU MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO FULFILL OUR MISSION!

DONOR GENEROSITY AT WORK FOR ANIMALS

In 2015, your generosity once again fortified our determination to fulfill every facet of our mission. The work we do, on every level, would be impossible without your kind support.

Overall, our Annual Giving programs, which include major gifts, hospital, adoption centers, and the American Fondouk, received a total of $14,192,258 in donations. Direct mail from the MSPCA–Angell brought in $2,397,433, and the organization gained over 12,000 new donors in 2015. Our email appeals and website generated over $569,230 in 2015; $253,000 came from our monthly Angells of Kindness donors. Direct mail from Fondouk donors totaled $155,296.

Our memorial/celebration program raised over $416,564 in tribute gifts, including $21,000 donated for our Tree of Life in the Angell-Boston lobby.

The Society received $4,820,000 in bequests in 2015, not including several specifically designated for the priorities of the Angell Centennial Campaign and the Campaign for Cape Cod. The largest bequest in 2015 was from a generous anonymous donor.

We received generous grants from the Elmina Sewall Foundation, the John J. Sacco and Edith L. Sacco Charitable Foundation, and the A.W. Baldwin Charitable Foundation in support of our general fund. The Nion Robert Thieriot Foundation supported our Living with Wildlife projects.

Members of our Leaders Circle (donors who give $1,000 or more per year) attended several informational forums, including Bioethics and Advanced Care of Companion Animals with Dr. Lisa Moses, and a discussion of his book Off the Leash: A Year at the Dog Park by Boston Globe writer Matthew Gilbert.

Although we lend our support and expertise in so many ways to animals and people all over our state, across the country, and indeed around the world, we receive no public funding whatsoever — which makes your support all the more critical. We hope you have a true sense of pride and feeling of accomplishment when you hear of our successes.

ALICE BRUCE
VICE PRESIDENT, DEVELOPMENT

Among the many programs that my Development Team works so hard to fund is Pet Care Assistance, which provides financial aid so that clients’ animals, adoption center animals, and animals from Law Enforcement seizures can receive the emergency, intermediate, and critical care they need. The program is funded completely by generous donors who understand the pressing need for this kind of support, and who want to ensure that no animal is turned away without treatment. Pet Care Assistance is truly a lifesaver in the lives of hundreds of animals every year, giving them another chance at a healthier life, and, in many cases, a new and loving home. In our long tradition of healing, I think of Pet Care Assistance as one of the most brilliant jewels in the MSPCA–Angell’s crown of compassion.

KATHLEEN K. COLLINS
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

This past year as we celebrated Angell’s centennial, we had the opportunity to reflect on the numerous contributions that so many have made towards making Angell the world-class veterinary hospital it is today. No matter how well the facility and operations of the hospital are designed, they are only as good as the people who work there day-in and day-out, making Angell great. Our future is bright, and it is our collective responsibility to continue to lead in advancing the health and welfare of animals. I am humbled and proud to work with the many wonderful people in this organization who carry out the work of our mission.
DONORS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

JULIE & RONALD DRUKER
Lifelong animal lovers and longtime donors, Julie and Ron Drucker have co-chaired the three most successful events the MSPCA–Angell has ever held, including this year’s Raise the Woof Gala. The Druckers named Angell’s Dog Emergency Waiting Area for their late, beloved dog Kadike, and Ron has made a very generous pledge to the Angell Centennial Campaign to endow one of our financial assistance programs in Julie’s honor. Julie and Ron lost their cherished beloved dog Kadie, and Ron has made an MSPCA–Angell Overseer for the past eight years.

NANCY & BRUCE GOLDIE
The Goldies, passionate advocates for animal welfare, learned about Angell through their volunteer activities for a canine rescue organization. When their own dog, Missy, needed treatment for a painful condition, even after having been treated at another animal hospital, they knew to bring her to Angell. Dr. Allen Sussman performed corrective surgery for a neurological problem, and their pet was given another chance for a good life. Bruce states that “Angell saved our dog and we are fortunate to be in close proximity to the finest veterinary clinicians assembled on one staff in the entire country.” Nancy and Bruce were lead sponsors of our 2015 Raise the Woof Gala, and they generously support many MSPCA–Angell needs, including our General Fund, through memorial gifts, our Pet Care Assistance program, and the Angell Centennial Campaign. They enjoy attending our Leaders Circle forums, and Nancy participated in a Centennial Campaign luncheon that featured Dr. Lisa Moses, offering to be involved in the evolution of Angell’s newly proposed Clinical Counselor position.

NANCY HOVEY
In addition to her fondness for adopting birds, Nancy Hovey, an MSPCA supporter since 1986, has a special place in her heart for senior horses in need. Her own senior horse Appleby passed away in late 2014, leading Nancy to make a memorial gift to the MSPCA Equine Center. In early spring of 2015, when Nancy heard the story of an emaciated horse named Flora who was being housed in a stall named for Appleby, she made a visit to Nevins to meet Flora. Flora’s tragic condition moved Nancy; who offered to foster her through her rehabilitation and assumed responsibility for Flora’s day-to-day care and medical needs. In May 2015, Flora moved to her “summer home” with Nancy, and with the help of barn owner/ foster mom Laurel Walsh, Flora made an amazing recovery. Nancy’s support via the Equine Foster Program was unique in that it combined a hands-on component with financial support. Nancy says, “I am happy to help. Hopefully it will encourage others to get involved in whichever way they can and both horses and humans will reap the benefits.”

BERYL BENACERRAF
Dr. Benacerraf’s first gift to the MSPCA–Angell was for Pet Care Assistance and she has been a consistently generous donor since 2000. She is a highly respected radiologist and donated a piece of radiology equipment to Angell in 2001. An event sponsor for many years (Animal Hall of Fame, Spring Gala, Raise the Woof, Holiday Tree), Beryl has also supported our Annual Fund, Boston Adoption Center, and Boston Capital Campaign. Currently she is supporting the Angell Centennial Campaign with a gift for Senior Citizen Assistance. A longtime cat lover, she and her husband share their home with two Russian Blues, Darcy and Dana. Beryl says, “My gifts to MSPCA are prompted by my love for animals and the incredible importance they play in the lives of their humans. There are so many people, especially the elderly, who cannot afford care for their pets(1) when they get sick, which is very sad indeed. Pets are many older people’s closest friends and the loss of their pets is likely to affect the health of their aging owners. My dream is to be able to offer the care needed to all pets regardless of financial conditions.”

LORRAINE & KENNETH LEVINE
The Levines have been faithful supporters of the MSPCA–Angell for many years. Lorraine, called Charley, and Ken were devoted to their dogs, all of whom are happy Angell patients. As their contribution to the Angell Centennial Campaign, the Levines have named the Dog Waiting Area. In the past year, they were saddened by the loss of several of their pets, including little Sassy, pictured here. But their family is now gladdened by two wonderful, energetic puppies, Peanut and Hazelnut. Charley and Ken are also extremely generous to those who work for them, taking care of the health needs of all their employees’ pets. Charley says, “I can think of no better way to ensure that animals and their people continue to reap the health benefits offered to all concerned than to support the continued education process and medical advancements offered by Angell. I am aligned with Mahatma Gandhi who said, ‘The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated.’ MSPCA–Angell embodies the essence of his sentiment.”

NORDBLOM FAMILY FOUNDATION
Mary ("Marry") Winder Nordblom was a true and devoted friend of animals and an active MSPCA–Angell Overseer. Her caring nature and dedication led her to donate her time, talents, and resources to help meet the ever-changing needs of animals. She was the first overseer to have an active interest in our adoption centers. In 2001, Mary was honored with our President’s Award, the dedication of which stated “Your deep respect and appreciation for all living creatures and your kind thrift were values that were important to our founder and first president, Georget Thorndike Angell. In a quiet and meaningful manner, you have done much to advance the mission and work of the Society. Thank you for your friendship, support, and continued interest.” Mary and her husband Rodger were very generous to the MSPCA–Angell, and a plaque hangs in the Boston Animal Care and Adoption Center, where a significant gift was made in her honor in 2006. In 2015, the Nordblom Family Foundation granted a significant gift to the MSPCA–Angell, renewing our association with and continuing gratitude to the Nordblom family.
While the winter was a challenging start to the New Year, 2015 was a year full of new beginnings, embracing challenges and celebrating great successes. Growth from strong, sustainable, mission-focused programs and careful stewardship of all of our resources resulted in continued financial stability. Angell Boston and MSPCA–Angell West experienced continued growth in 2015. Boston's annual caseload reached almost 62,000 and West increased the number of visits 50% over 2014 to more than 6,800. Hospital revenues increased 9% or $3.1 million over 2014. A new medical records system was implemented early in 2015. This new technology is delivering enhanced data internally and in 2016 is anticipated to enhance the delivery of real time medical information to our network of referring practices.

Midyear, plans for a new investment, Angell at Nashoba, a partnership with Nashoba Technical High School, were finalized, and in February 2016 we will open this new pipeline of future veterinary assistants, filling a growing need, provide space for educational programming, and be supported by an endowment to subsidize the operating costs.

In 2015, and continuing into 2016 and 2017, we are focusing on using capital to more effectively and efficiently support the infrastructure to our physical facilities. The Campaign for Cape Cod will result in a new single facility that will better serve the community's animals in need, provide space for educational programming, and be supported by an endowment to subsidize the operating costs. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2016.

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The volatility in the financial markets resulted in disappointing returns for 2015 with investment losses for the year at $2.1 million. Requests at $4.8 million helped to soften the impact of the investment losses, an increase of 99% over 2014. Contributions remained strong at $14.6 million, including activity related to the Angell Campaign and the Campaign for Cape Cod. Both campaigns continue to achieve significant progress. The debt associated with the new MRI and renovation costs for I-131 therapy space (for feline hyperthyroidism) in 2014 were paid in full during 2015 from unrestricted Angell Campaign proceeds.

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