



CALENDAR YEAR 2023



BARC's 2023 data shows an increased demand for public health and safety response due to the heavy breeding of stray animals during the pandemic. It also highlights a significant drop in live release options in all areas as rescue/foster partners find themselves remaining at capacity while transports to other parts of the US continue to dwindle. These issues are not unique to BARC as evidenced by nationwide news articles and our own engagement with partners across the country. We are in the midst of a nationwide animal crisis.

83.2% TOTAL SAVE RATE

Save Rate = The percentage of animals who leave the shelter through adoption, return to owner, transfers to other organizations, or other lifesaving program

Houston has always had a stray animal problem. However, the pandemic exacerbated that problem when spay/neuter and enforcement programs had to virtually disappear because of social distancing requirements. BARC's intake continues to increase each year, up once again 9.56% from the previous year. Intake from the field alone grew 20.2%, once again beating OTC intakes.

TOTAL INTAKE 19,209

INTAKE SOURCE*

10,931

8,278

FIELD

OTC



*Intake source is defined by the way in which a pet is brought to the shelter. FIELD are pets brought in by Animal Enforcement through service calls. OTC (Over The Counter) are pets brought to the shelter by community members doing an in person drop-off



59,573

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE



34,894

TOTAL SERVICE CALLS COMPLETED



4,393

PETS ADOPTED INTO HOMES



881

PETS RETURNED TO THEIR OWNERS



8,853

PETS TRANSFERRED TO RESCUE



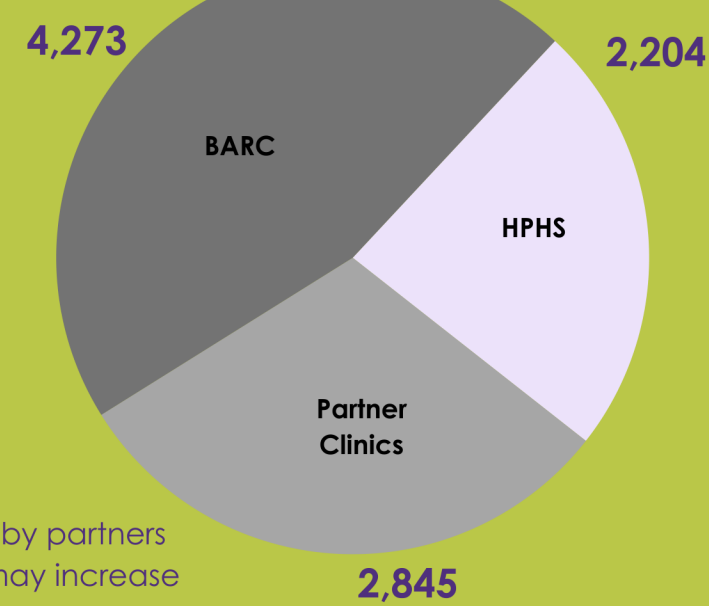
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CATS WENT THROUGH TNR OR SNR

TNR = Trap Neuter Return
SNR = Shelter Neuter Return

SPAY & NEUTER TOTALS*

BREAKDOWN
9,322 TOTAL
5,203 DOGS
4,019 CATS



*Data based on surgeries reported by partners at time of report. Actual numbers may increase and reflect at end of fiscal year.



7,200

HOURS VOLUNTEERED

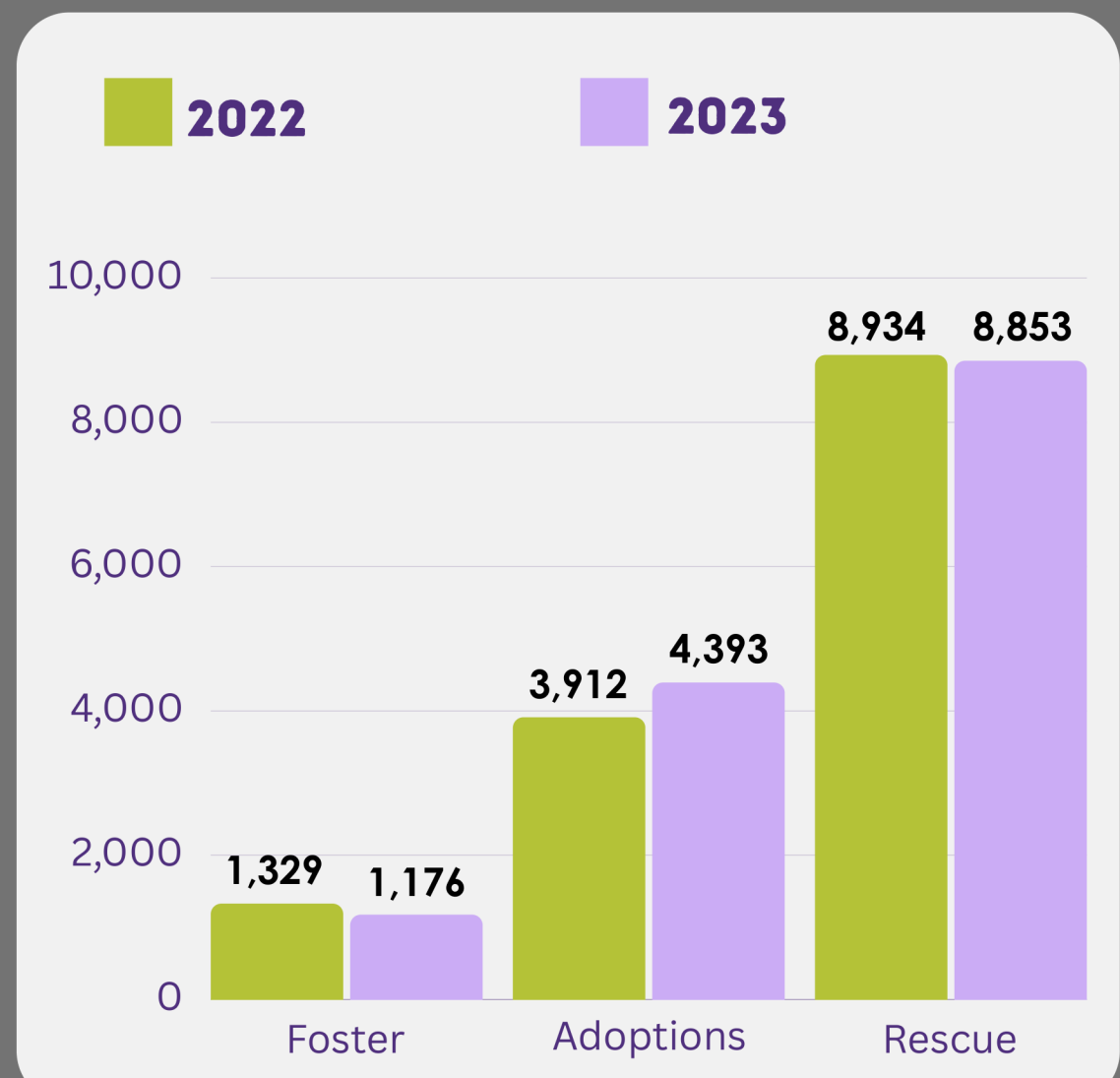


1,176

PETS FOSTERED

COMPARING THE DATA

Rescue outcomes dropped only slightly, from 8,934 in 2022 to 8,853 in 2023. Foster numbers in 2023 also dropped from 1,329 in 2022 to 1,181 in 2023. Adoptions increased slightly, by 12.3%. For comparison, however, last year, BARC's adoption numbers increased by 16% from 2021 to 2022, and foster numbers increased by 18.17% between 2021 and 2022. As overall outcomes drop, and intake rises, live release is affected.



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