



LICKING COUNTY
**HUMANE
SOCIETY**



2018

ANNUAL
REPORT





OUR MISSION

The Licking County Humane Society seeks to improve the lives of animals and people through advocacy, education and support.

OUR VISION

All animals live free of cruelty and neglect and all companion animals are valued members of a loving family.



DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friend of the Shelter,

Licking County Humane Society has been proudly serving our community for 52 years, thanks to the unwavering dedication of our employees, volunteers, and donors. As Board President for the Ohio Animal Welfare Federation, I have the opportunity to learn about animal shelters across the state, and I'm proud to say that LCHS ranks up there with the best in Ohio!

2018 was another exciting year at the Licking County Humane Society! We had a record breaking year of intakes, adoptions and appointments in our low-cost community clinics. We expanded our visits to seniors in nursing facilities, and are now visiting 10 locations each month with pets.

In 2018, the board of directors commissioned a feasibility study to evaluate the community's support of a much needed expansion. Armed with a master plan and the encouragement of our community, we developed an expansion plan that would add a Medical Center to the shelter. Fundraising for the "More Than a Shelter" campaign is ongoing.

In 2019, LCHS will roll out a new color scheme, a new logo and a new website, as well as complete the "More Than a Shelter" capital campaign. These are lofty goals and we are up to the challenge. Thank you for being part of our exciting adventure and for touching the lives of homeless, abused and neglected animals.

My deepest regards,
Lori Carlson
Executive Director





OUR CORE VALUES

Compassion

We treat animals and people with respect, empathy, and kindness. We listen and respond to the needs of people who surrender animals to us, adopt from us, report abuse to us, use our services, support us, work for us, volunteer for us, and to other animal welfare organizations that turn to us for help. We treat all of our animals as if they were our own pets, while recognizing that they have endured a loss or they wouldn't be in our care.

Excellence

We rescue and care for abused, neglected, homeless and abandoned animals. We treat, heal, and rehabilitate the animals entrusted to our care. We provide the highest standard of care for our animals while working to safeguard the health and well being of our shelter.

Integrity

We stand resolute in maintaining an environment of transparency, accountability, and high ethical and professional standards in working to fulfill every aspect of our mission. We are honest and have an unwavering focus on good stewardship of life and resources.

Community-Focused

Our mission is only achieved with the collaborative efforts of our community, staff, and volunteers. Our staff and volunteers are critical to our mission's success and as such, we promise to provide them with a supportive environment. We understand that helping animals is accomplished by helping people and as such, we work daily to provide programming and services that directly impact people and pets in a positive way.



We believe in treating all animals and people with **respect, empathy, and kindness.**





COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Building partnerships and providing low-cost programming to the Licking County community is an important part of the LCHS mission. As a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, we believe that providing services that are accessible to all residents is an important part of our role in the Licking County community. These services go beyond our traditional sheltering of abused, neglected, and homeless animals.

PET RESPIRE CARE

No one should have to give up their pet because they need to receive medical care or stay in the hospital. Pet Respite Services of Licking County is a program designed to provide short-term pet respite foster care to income eligible individuals who are experiencing a health crisis. LCHS is looking for possible ways to expand the program and serve more pets and people in need.



Pet owners who need assistance feeding their pets can come to LCHS and request a bag of food. LCHS is happy to donate a bag of cat and/or dog food to the pet owner once a month.

1,019 people were assisted with free pet food in 2018

PET VISITS TO SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITIES

LCHS partners with ten Senior Living Communities to spread the unconditional love of pets with seniors in their care. Once a month, LCHS volunteers transport LCHS pets to visit with seniors. They enjoy cuddling a purring kitten or petting a polite dog. This program is a free service and LCHS is honored to share with seniors in our community who are no longer independent enough to care for a companion pet.

PET FOOD PANTRY

TEN FACILITIES VISITED PER MONTH

- Arlington Care Center
- Tuscany Gardens
- Middleton Senior Living
- The Carol Strawn Center
- SharonBrooke Assisted Living
- Hearth Brook
- The Laurels of Heath
- Flintridge Nursing and Rehabilitation
- The Inn at Chapel Grove
- Pataskala Oaks Care Center



MEALS ON WHEELS: PET FOOD PANTRY

LCHS realized that seniors in our community were giving their own delivered meals to their pets and we decided to help. We partnered with the Licking County Aging Program to provide free cat and dog food for pet-owning Meals on Wheels recipients in Licking County. There are eight donation sites around our county. LCHS volunteers' pick-up the donations and bring them to LCAP for distribution.



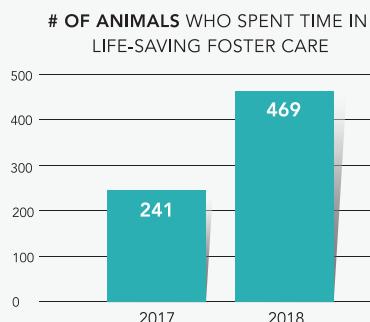
30,000 lbs donated since the program began in 2017

OBEDIENCE TRAINING

LCHS understands that our community needs a resource for affordable and effective dog obedience training. Gayle Mulvey, LCHS Dog Obedience Trainer, offers dog training classes that are designed to meet a wide variety of ages and skill levels for puppies, beginners, intermediate, and advanced. 264 dogs enrolled in obedience training in 2018.

FOSTER CARE

The goal of foster care is to save the life of an animal by supplying supportive care, socialization, medical treatment, grooming, and exercise. Foster is a critical bridge between intake and adoption. 469 animals received life-saving foster care in 2018. If you are interested in learning more about this important program, please reach out to us.



LOW-COST VACCINE CLINIC

This drop-in wellness clinic for dogs and cats provided care to 927 animals in 2018. LCHS hosts this clinic up to three times a month and it is administered by Licensed Ohio Veterinarian Dr. Sue Zinni.





HUMANE EDUCATION

By educating our youth in humane education, we are teaching them the value of kindness toward one another, animals, and the environment. In 2018, the Licking County Humane Society provided a total of 22 Humane Education presentations to approximately 900 kids all over Licking County. Children learned about LCHS history and operations, animal-related issues relevant to their communities, and animal safety topics. These presentations help keep kids safe around pets as well as informing younger generations about current challenges to animal welfare in Licking County and Ohio.



WOW Summer Camp - Elementary and Intermediate school students enjoyed a visit from Rudy the Lab and a presentation from Laurinda Johnson, Volunteer & Outreach Coordinator (Pictured), and Mia Haines, Relief Humane Agent/Vet Tech. During the Presentation, students learned about proper animal handling and care as well as Ohio Animal Cruelty Laws.



YMCA Summer Camp - Pre-K kids learn how to properly approach, greet, and pet dogs using hands-on practice and coloring pages.



Kirkersville Elementary students have a Dog Day during Right to Read week. Students gathered donations for LCHS pets and they held a school assembly to learn about animal cruelty in Licking County, safe animal handling, and proper animal care from LCHS guest speakers, Laurinda Johnson and Paula Evans.





2018 ACHIEVEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

We celebrated many achievements this year! Here are a few highlights...

96%
live-release rate

35K
Facebook followers

123
community events

LOW-COST SPAY/NEUTER SERVICES

A puppy or kitten can have her first litter when she is six months old. The gestation period is just over two months long, and each litter has multiple puppies or kittens. Without spaying or neutering dogs and cats, it's easy to see how 1.5 million shelter animals are euthanized in this country every year. Because of this, we want to ensure everyone has access to spay/neuter services and we work hard to offer low-cost options.

OUR SPAY AND NEUTER CLINIC PARTNERS:

- **Rascal Mobile Unit** - This clinic offers a variety of surgical services and is offered twice a month, once for cats and once for dogs.
- **Refugee Vet Clinic** - This clinic comes every Thursday to provide surgical services to LCHS pets and community pets.
- **Columbus State Spay/Neuter Clinic** - Through a unique partnership with Columbus State Community College, LCHS is offering more low-cost spay/neuter options to the community. Using LCHS facilities, local veterinarians from Refugee Canyon are assisted by Columbus State Vet Tech students.



2,673

animals spay/neutered in 2018

9,989

animals spay/neutered since 2012





THORNWOOD SOCIETY

Thornwood Society members are individuals who have invested in the organization's future by remembering the Licking County Humane Society in their estate planning. This allows the donor to leave a lasting legacy on animal welfare in their community, and to save more lives than they ever thought possible during their lifetime. Thornwood Society members are valued VIP's who also receive benefits during their lifetime.

BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Invitations to exclusive events
- Discounted tickets to LCHS events
- LCHS will provide for the care of any pet that outlives its owner
- Donor name displayed on a gold leaf on the Legacy Tree for all to see
- Recognition at LCHS events

SOCIETY MEMBERS

Anonymous	Opal Earhart*
Jack Artz*	Diane Eddy
Maureen Baisden	Peggy Evans
Charles & Nancy Ball	Julia Farris*
Brian & Kim Ballmann	Jo & Jim Fedor
Ann Bellino	Dennis & Melody Bascom Frey
Lee & Al Biciunas	Julie & Andy Guglielmi
Joanna Bolin	Bev Harris*
Olivia Michele Bolovan*	Doris J. & Harold E. Hodges*
Gerald Buxton*	John, Betty & Linda Hoover*
James Roy Callaghan*	Bruce Hoskinson*
Dennis & Lori Carlson	Jean Hoyt
Dennis & Anita Carroll	Lewis & Rita Huston
Leroy* & Anna Clendenen	Guy & Eileen Johnson
William T. Clifford*	Andrea Knoll*
Clara Cochran*	Noreen S Ley-Saylor*
Margaret Criss*	Phyllis L. McCauley*
Holly Cross	Nancy McClary
Robert & Joan Cullen	Lucy McNeill*
Nancy & Harold Davis	Sandra* & Alan Miller
John & Amy Davison	Diane* & Douglas Miller
Matt Dole	Frank & Kay Murphy

*In Memoriam

Please notify us if you've included the Licking County Humane Society in your will, trust or estate plans so that we can invite you to the Thornwood Society.

If you'd like further information about including the Licking County Humane Society in your estate plans, contact Executive Director Lori Carlson today at 740.323.2100 ext. 204.

LCHS VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The Licking County Humane Society wouldn't exist without the generosity and kindness of our volunteers. They provide an invaluable amount of support and we couldn't achieve the mission without them. Volunteering is a great way to give back and make a real impact on the lives of pets and people in our community. To understand the vital role volunteers play at the Licking County Humane Society, here are some numbers...

11,311

Volunteer hours in 2018.
That's equal to 5.4 full-time
staff members!

\$114,005

Saved in the budget due to
volunteer dedication.

There are a variety of different ways volunteers support the LCHS mission:

Direct Animal Care • Administrative Tasks • Foster Care • Low-Cost Clinics • Community Events

VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH:

January - Nadine Beichler	July - Kelli Mitchell
February - Mark Gordon	August - Becky Johnson
March - Lori Noth	September - Seth Comisford
April - Denise Seifert	October - April Blackwell
May - Jennifer Gorham	November - Shirley Price
June - Lucy & Austin Champlin	December - Margaret Bowman

FOSTER FAMILIES OF THE MONTH:

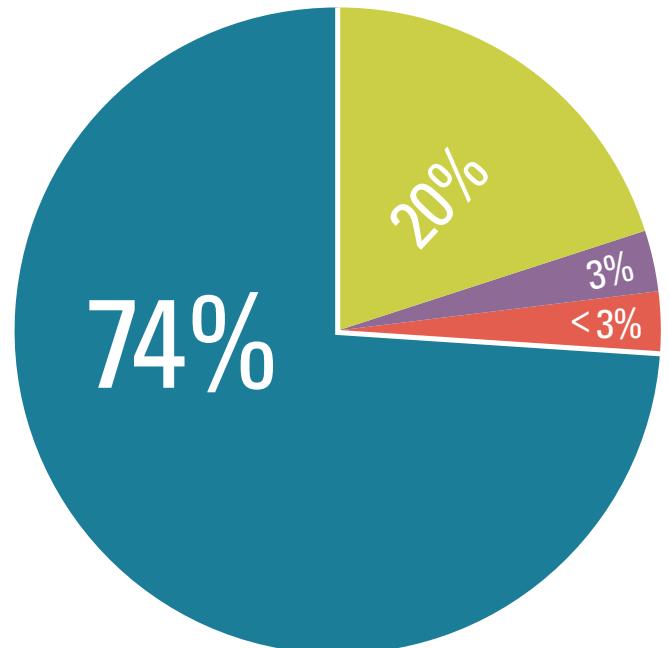
July - Kelli Mitchell Family
August - Pennington Family
September - Grunden Family
October - Kris Mitchell Family
November - Hamilton Family
December - Hohenbrink Family (Foster of the Year)





2017-18 LCHS FINANCIAL REPORT

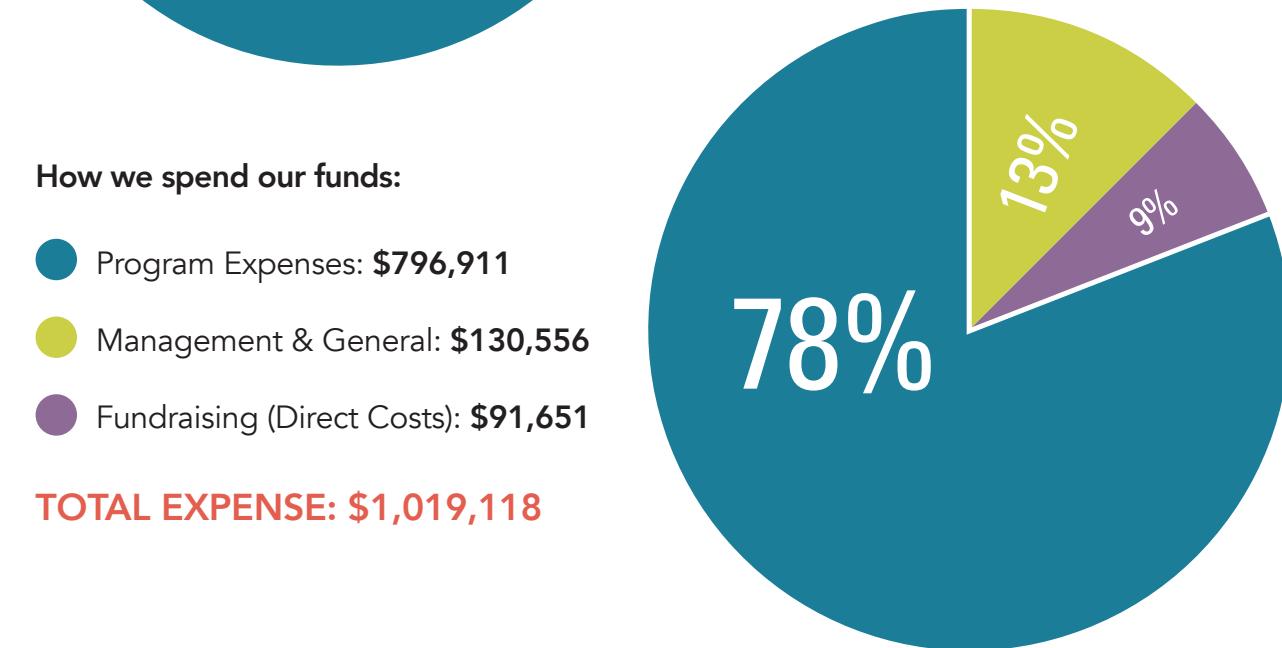
The Licking County Humane Society makes diligent efforts to balance our operations budget each year and we have successfully achieved this goal for the last 5 years. We are strong stewards of our resources. LCHS knows how hard you work for your money and we are honored that you invest in our mission.



Where our money comes from:

- Contributions/Grants: \$1,372,204
- Programs: \$373,232
- Investment Income: \$60,923
- Other Revenue: \$55,991

TOTAL REVENUE: \$1,862,350



How we spend our funds:

- Program Expenses: \$796,911
- Management & General: \$130,556
- Fundraising (Direct Costs): \$91,651

TOTAL EXPENSE: \$1,019,118

Total Year End Net Assets: \$3,805,422

MORE THAN A SHELTER

The Licking County Humane Society is excited to announce the More Than A Shelter Campaign to expand our facility and build a medical center!

Due to our incredible impact on animals and families throughout Licking County, LCHS has seen tremendous growth. Adoption numbers have increased by 1033% over 11 years and we have added many low-cost community programs to assist not only homeless and abused animals, but also the families that open their hearts and homes to LCHS and community pets.

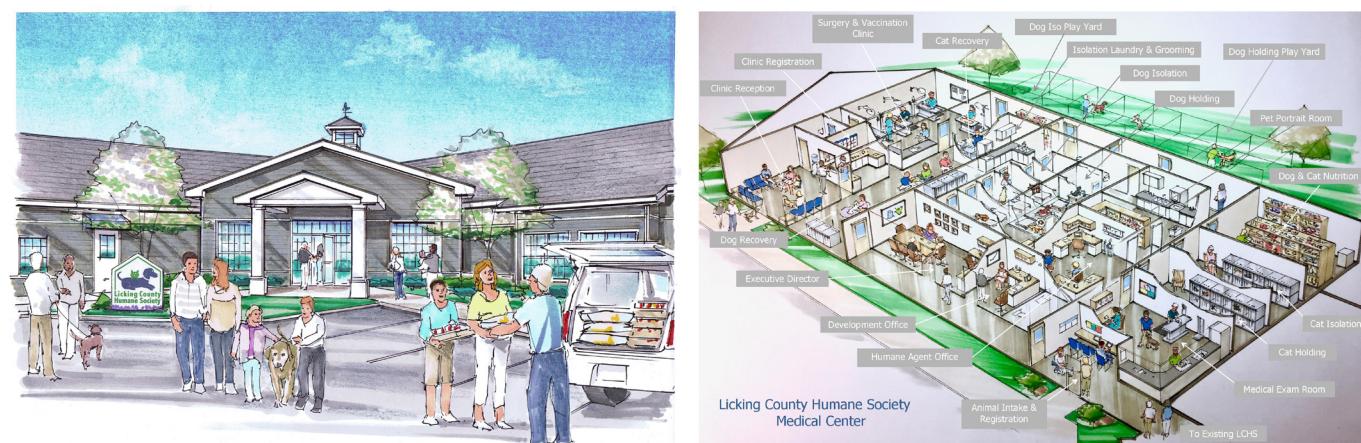
The shelter has dramatically outgrown the facility that we built six years ago. The Board of Directors developed a master plan, completed a feasibility study and ultimately fine-tuned an expansion plan that will provide much needed space for surgery clinics as well as isolation & holding units for sick or potentially sick animals. Cheri Hottinger and Kay Murphy co-chair the More Than A Shelter Capital Campaign committee that began its quiet phase of fundraising in fall 2018.

LCHS is excited to kick off the public phase of the campaign and are thrilled to share that \$1.9 of the \$2 million goal has been raised! Through the generosity of so many, the Licking County Humane Society held its groundbreaking ceremony on June 6th.

While LCHS is so close to achieving our goal for the expansion, we need the support of the community now more than ever. We are asking you to take a moment to visit our website www.lchspets.org/morethanashelter and view the More Than A Shelter Presentation Packet giving details about the project. **We are in the final stages and every donor, every gift, every dollar counts. We need everyone to step up for this campaign to be successful.**

Interested in scheduling a behind-the-scenes tour to see the expansion plans in person and understand why they are so vital? Please contact Susanna Snyder at 740.323.2100 ext. 215 or email her at susanna@lchspets.org to schedule a visit to the shelter.

Together we can increase life-saving outcomes for homeless and abused animals in Licking County!



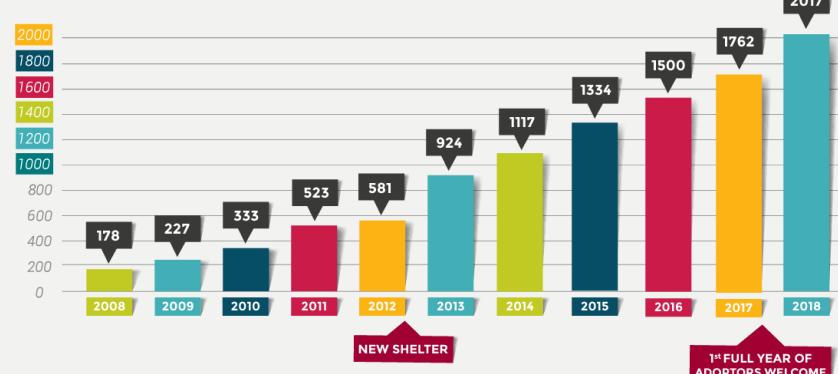


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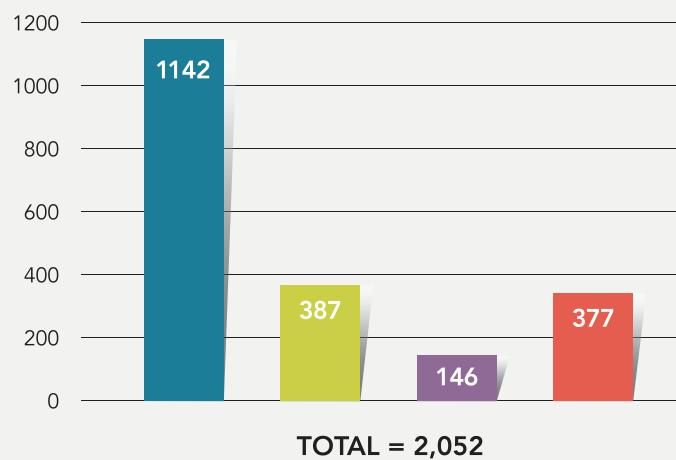
Every year the Licking County Humane Society increases our services and impact, meeting the ever growing need to address animal welfare challenges in our community. Whether it's providing life-saving foster care, adopting homeless and abused animals into loving homes, investigating animal cruelty, or providing low-cost spay/neuter options LCHS provides unique and comprehensive services to pets and their people.

11 YEAR ADOPTION TREND

1033% INCREASE IN 11 YEARS



TYPES OF INTAKES IN 2018



■ OWNER SURRENDER ■ HUMANE AGENT ■ STRAY/ABANDONED ■ TRANSFER IN

INVESTIGATING ANIMAL CRUELTY IN 2018

Amazing dedication is displayed by our staff every day. The picture below was taken of our Vet Tech and Relief Humane Agent, Mia Hanes. The humane agents were responding to a December case involving neglected cows. The weather was bitter cold. Upon arriving at the scene, they found this calf down in the field, along with 17 other mistreated cows. Unable to get it back onto its feet, Officer Hanes used her own body heat to shield the weakened calf until the vet arrived and they could get the calf into a trailer. All but one of the cows survived, thanks to the loving care of the veterinarian who helped with the rescue. She re-homed them onto her farm. The cruelty case against the owner of the cows is pending in Licking County Municipal Court.

503

Reports of animal cruelty

368

Cases opened for investigation

387

Animals Confiscated



*If you are a witness to animal cruelty in the cities of Heath, Pataskala and Reynoldsburg (Licking County) or villages of Hebron, Buckeye Lake, Alexandria, Marne, Utica and Granville, as well as Unincorporated Areas of Licking County, please contact Humane Agent Paula Evans: **740.644.0132 / paula@lchspets.org**





UPCOMING EVENTS

FUR BALL

Fur Ball 2019 was a big success! Thanks to our event sponsors, donors, volunteers, and attendees \$86,000 was raised towards operating the shelter and providing life-saving care to homeless and abused animals in Licking County. We are thrilled to be back at the Barn at the Backwoods on April 11, 2020! Mark your calendars!



GOLF OUTING

Don't miss out on our 6th Annual Licking County Humane Society Golf Outing on **Saturday, July 27, 2019** at The Links at Echo Springs. Lunch and dinner provided. Join us for a fantastic day of golf for a great cause!

We rely on a successful annual Golf Outing to provide LCHS pets with life-saving care. Event sponsors are vital to meeting our fundraising goals. Please visit lchspets.org to purchase a team and learn more about sponsorship opportunities.

We are so grateful to the Licking County community and the businesses who make animal welfare a priority by helping LCHS raise funds to continue our mission.

PARTY IN THE BARK PARK

We hosted a new event in 2018 and it was a big success! We had a great turnout and raised over \$6,000 for life-saving medical care for LCHS pets! Attendees enjoyed, local food, local beer and wine, and local music as well as lawn game fun with Cornhole, bocce, and giant Jenga. And of course a chance to meet and greet with LCHS pets!



RAISE THE WOOF

After 9 years of hard work, Ike and Bear retired from The Newark Division of Police K-9 Unit, so LCHS helped them raise funds to purchase and train 2 new canine officers! We hosted a night of comedy from Raise The Woof in The Ballroom at Thirty One West and it was a blast! We had a great turnout, raised money for Newark PD, and laughed until our cheeks hurt!

A BIG thank you to everyone who attended these events and showed support for animal welfare in Licking County!

Check out these fantastic upcoming community events!

JULY

- 7/13 - Hopewell Federal Car Show @ Hopewell Federal Credit Union
- 7/27 - 6th Annual LCHS Golf Outing @ The Links at Echo Springs

AUGUST

- 8/18 - Dog Day at S'miles of Sunflowers @ Lynd Fruit Farm

SEPTEMBER

- 9/7 - The 20th HotLicks BluesFest @ Granville Ohio
- 9/12 - Wags & Wine @ Three Oaks Vineyard LLC
- 9/17 - Papa Boo's Trivia to benefit LCHS @ Papa Boo's

OCTOBER

- 10/27 - Howl-O-Ween! @ Infirmary Mound Park

Please follow us on Facebook to stay in the know and show your support for the Licking County Humane Society!

www.facebook.com/LCHSpets

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