

# IMPACT REPORT 2024





In 2024, CAMP (Community Animal Medicine Project) helped over 94,000 dogs and cats, saving lives and keeping families together. CAMP's mission is to substantially reduce animal shelter euthanasia and intake by providing high quality, low-cost veterinary services to historically excluded communities in Los Angeles.

Thanks to your support and compassion, together we stayed true to our mission and made a difference!



# a message from zoey



Dear Friends,

*I am honored to share CAMP's 2024 Impact Report, highlighting the life-changing work made possible by your generosity. This year, we deepened our commitment to providing accessible veterinary care, positively impacting the lives of tens of thousands pets and families in our community.*

## **Expanding Access to Veterinary Care**

*Thanks to your support, CAMP provided low-cost, high-quality veterinary care to over 94,000 pets across Los Angeles and beyond. Our CAMP Wellness Waggin' mobile clinic expanded its reach, delivering essential services to underserved communities and reducing barriers to care for families in need. From routine wellness exams to critical surgeries, we remained steadfast in our mission to keep pets healthy and safe at home with their families.*

## **Investing in Veterinary Training**

*The national veterinarian shortage continues to impact access to care, but CAMP is taking action. Through our Veterinary Training Project, we have trained over 100 veterinarians in high-quality, high-volume spay and neuter techniques, equipping them with the skills to serve communities in need. By strengthening the veterinary workforce, we are not only increasing the number of pets receiving essential care but also ensuring that future generations of veterinarians are prepared to meet this growing demand.*

## **Community Engagement & Advocacy**

*Our team worked to advocate to expand the City's spay/neuter voucher program, ensuring that cost is never a barrier to this essential service. Spay and neuter is required by law in Los Angeles, and at CAMP we firmly believe pet families must have equitable access.*

## **Looking Ahead**

*As we grow, we remain dedicated to making compassionate veterinary care a reality for all. With your continued support, we will expand our services, strengthen our partnerships, and advocate for systemic changes that improve the lives of cats and dogs and the families that love them.*

*From all of us at CAMP, thank you for believing in this mission. Your support is transforming lives—one pet, one family at a time.*

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Zoey Knittel'.

Zoey Knittel  
Executive Director



Community Animal Medical Project (CAMP)

# community impact 2024

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## KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER

Every pet patient we serve at CAMP has a family that loves them—and we're incredibly proud to provide the life-saving veterinary care that keeps those families together. In 2024, one story captured our hearts and reaffirmed our purpose. Meet Izzy...



*Fourteen-year-old Izzy was scheduled for euthanasia at CAMP because her family could not afford the expensive treatment plan recommended by their private veterinarian. Heartbroken but believing they had no other option, they scheduled Izzy for for end-of-life services at CAMP.*

*Rather than euthanasia, CAMP's compassionate veterinary team provided affordable options to save Izzy's life. CAMP's medical team recommended additional testing, which revealed a large bladder stone—an entirely treatable condition. Because CAMP was able to provide not only the testing but also the recommended surgery at a substantially lower cost, Izzy's family was now able to afford the procedure. The surgery was a success, and within two weeks, Izzy was back to her happy, energetic self. Izzy's family was overjoyed to see Izzy playing just like a puppy again, and grateful for the second chance they never dreamed was possible for Izzy and their family.*

***"These animals keep me sane. They fill my life.  
They fill my heart...CAMP saved her life."***

*-Izzy's mom*

At CAMP, we meet pet families like Izzy's every day and it is our honor to be able to provide the care that helps to keep families together, where they belong.



# what's new 2024

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## Expanding Access & Removing Barriers

At CAMP, our core mission is providing affordable veterinary services, ensuring that essential care is accessible to those in need. In 2024, we were honored to receive a transformative grant from Michelson Found Animals Foundation and the Robert and Erika Brunson Fund, enabling us to purchase our first-ever property in South Los Angeles. This state of the art medical center will serve as CAMP's future headquarters and Veterinary Training Project base. Building CAMP's HQ upholds the cornerstone of our mission, enabling us to expand our capacity and our impact.

To fund the buildout and first year of operations for CAMP's HQ, we launched our **Capital Campaign** at **The Pet Gala**, CAMP's sold-out fundraising event that united both animal lovers and advocates. In celebration of the Brunsons' and the Michelsons' pioneering contributions to animal welfare, The Pet Gala was an inspiring evening that introduced CAMP's mission to new supporters and reinforced our commitment to uplifting our community.



New  
CAMP HQ  
for 2025!

THE  
PET  
gala

# lifesaving programs 2024

By providing high-volume veterinary clinics in targeted, historically excluded communities, staffed by veterinary professionals with expertise and sensitivity, we can reach the goal of reducing shelter intake and eliminating the euthanasia of adoptable animals. CAMP's comprehensive approach to animal welfare consists of five key program areas.

## 01 — HIGH VOLUME SPAY & NEUTER

When CAMP was founded in 2007, over 15,000 cats and dogs were euthanized in LA City shelters each year. Thanks to efforts from CAMP and other like-minded organizations, the LA Animal Services save rate increased from 57.7% in 2011 to 89.2% in 2021.

CAMP remains committed to this lifesaving progress as the largest provider of affordable spay and neuter services across Los Angeles. In 2024 alone, our veterinarians performed an incredible 29,792 spay and neuter surgeries. Most exciting of all, 2024 marked a historic milestone for CAMP—**300,000 dogs and cats fixed** since opening our doors 17 years ago! This remarkable achievement represents a brighter future for dogs and cats in our community.

29,792  
pets  
spayed/  
neutered



300,000<sup>th</sup>  
spay/neuter!!



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## 02 — COMMUNITY MEDICINE & ACCESS TO CARE

Nearly 50% of pets in the U.S. do not receive adequate veterinary care. Of those families that report challenges accessing care, approximately 70% report financial constraints as the primary barrier. Without access to affordable veterinary care, far too many families are forced to relinquish their pets to shelters. To combat this tragic outcome, CAMP charges approximately 80% less than the fees at private veterinary practices. CAMP's affordable veterinary services keep families happy, healthy and united.

CAMP's community animal medicine clinics and the CAMP Wellness Waggin' provided thousands of preventative veterinary services and lifesaving medical surgeries in 2024. Our expert veterinarians treat a wide range of health problems, such as infections, allergies, wound care, mass removals as well as dental services and surgical procedures, all at highly reduced rates.

Our accessible, affordable services remove barriers to receiving needed veterinary care and provide Los Angeles families with a safety net for their furry family members in times of need.

## 03 — LOW COST VACCINE CLINICS

Vaccinating dogs and cats against infectious and life-threatening diseases is one of the most effective ways to help them live long, healthy lives. CAMP provides free and low-cost vaccinations at all four of our stationary clinic locations and CAMP's mobile vaccine clinics bring these essential services directly to the community, meeting people where they live. In 2024 we administered **110,695 life-saving vaccines** to local dogs and cats. In addition to vaccines, CAMP mobile clinics also provide other basic wellness services such as microchipping, deworming and flea/tick treatment.

7,759  
wellness  
exams

110,695  
vaccines  
given

# lifesaving programs 2024

## 04 — ANIMAL WELFARE ADVOCACY

9,383  
pets  
microchipped

Along with cost, transportation is a barrier for many of the families we serve. CAMP's low cost Mobile Vaccine Clinics bring preventative medicine and advocacy directly into historically excluded communities to support the people and pets who need it most. CAMP's bilingual staff members help to facilitate follow-up appointments at our stationary clinics and provide information on financial assistance and the importance of spay/neuter.

At all CAMP locations, our highly trained staff provide outreach and educate families about the benefits of microchipping your pets. In 2024 we inserted **9,383 microchips** across our stationary and mobile clinics. Microchips help families find lost pets and also help animal shelters return pets to their rightful owners efficiently and quickly, thereby helping to reduce shelter overcrowding and stress levels for all animals in the shelter.

### Advocates for Spay/Neuter

*At CAMP, we believe that no pet family should be denied access to spay/neuter services due to cost. That's why we are advocates for expanding the City of LA's spay/neuter voucher program—because an essential, legally required service should be within reach for everyone. **Now, we need your voice!***

*Contact your City Council member and urge them to support increased funding for spay/neuter vouchers. Together, we can make sure every pet gets the care they need—because every pet deserves a chance at a healthy life.*

# lifesaving programs 2024

## 04 — ANIMAL WELFARE ADVOCACY CON'T:

23,451  
pets  
served

For many LA pets, a visit to a CAMP Mobile Clinic may be the very first time they will be examined by a veterinarian. **CAMP Mobile Clinics** deliver essential veterinary services directly to communities. In 2024, we served 23,451 cats and dogs across our mobile clinics.

In 2024 the **CAMP Wellness Waggin'**, a state of the art veterinary clinic on wheels, completed its first full year of serving our community! Along with providing community medicine services to pets, the CAMP Wellness Waggin' also provided regular spay/neuter surgeries for multiple LA City animal shelters and Long Beach Animal Care Services, totalling **2,509 fixed cats and dogs** in 2024.

via mobile!



# lifesaving programs

# 2024

## 05 —VETERINARY TRAINING PROJECT

The Veterinary Training Project (VTP) provides veterinary professionals the opportunity to train in high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter (HQHVSN) surgical and clinical techniques. Accredited by the California Veterinary Medical Board, veterinarians also receive CE (Continuing Education) credit required annually in order to maintain their veterinary license. The skill set of HQHVSN is underrepresented in both private and nonprofit veterinary practices. CAMP's VTP is directly confronting the shortage to help curb the overpopulation of cats and dogs in shelters and to help prevent the unnecessary euthanasia of healthy animals.

49  
vets  
trained



Since we piloted the program in late 2022, many VTP graduates have gone on to serve as relief vets at CAMP or work at other nonprofits and shelters. In 2024, **49 veterinarians graduated** from the program and **spayed/neutered 2,828 dogs and cats** during the training sessions.

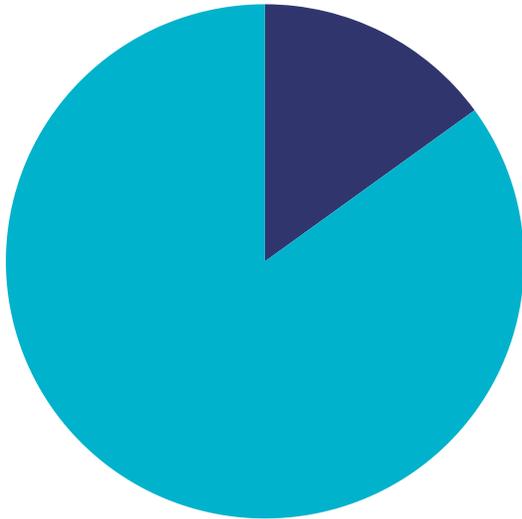
Thanks to generous funding from California for All Animals we offered valuable **scholarships to 32 qualified veterinary professionals**. We look forward to removing more barriers and expanding areas of training and access to the VTP at our new CAMP headquarters when it is completed in late 2025.

# financial snapshot

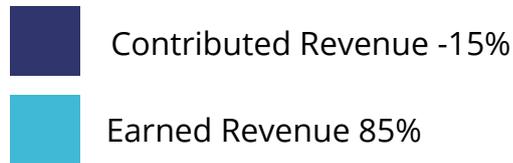
# 2024

## INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

CAMP's model is proven and effective. While our veterinary clinics generate ongoing revenue, we keep prices as low as possible to ensure accessibility. To sustain and expand our services—including new locations and beneficial programs like the Veterinary Training Project—we rely on grants and individual donors.



## REVENUES 2024



# thank you!

**We deeply appreciate the many donors and contributors who have made CAMP's life-saving programs possible. In particular we want to acknowledge:**

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