

OKLAHOMA HUMANE FEDERATION

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Membership: We listed a total of 60 members and associate members for 2008.

OHF Website Established: An OHF website, www.okhumanefederation.org was initiated in August.

OHF Treasury Funds: The Disaster Fund has been increased from \$500 to \$1,000. OHF also has a fund of \$1000 set aside to offer for information leading to arrest and conviction in animal cruelty cases. The reward has been offered in two separate cases of animal cruelty in Tulsa, but no arrests have been made in either case.

\$1,500 Grant From the ASPCA for Spay/Neuter Assistance Received This Year:
The grant funds were distributed between 5 member groups to assist with spay/neuter clinics.

Other Spay/Neuter Activities: Donations totaling \$300 from individual associate member donations allowed us to include one more member group for spay/neuter subsidy assistance. The OHF Board makes every effort to share any available funds, either grants or donations, fairly with our member groups, making decisions based on group needs and potential.

To commemorate the passage of the OHF tenth anniversary, it was decided that some community, without a local group to help with spay/neuter assistance, would be selected for a one time spay/neuter clinic. Pawhuska, a small town in NE Oklahoma, was selected based on the fact that two board members lived close enough to develop and facilitate clinic plans. Arrangements were made to provide a clinic for 25 pets.

The Oklahoma Spay Neuter Protocol, a document prepared by a special OHF committee in 2006, was selected for use in a CD prepared for the Spay USA Conference in Chicago this October

Animal Sheltering Magazine Special Offer: Members subscribed to 54 copies this year.

OHF Information Sharing and Outreach: We continue to share beneficial information with our members and others as needs and opportunities arise.

Legislative Advocacy: Some of our member groups are pooling their own financial resources to hire an advocate to work for the passage of a puppy mill bill. OHF will be administering that advocacy contract at the request of those member groups. OHF members will receive legislative alerts during the upcoming legislative session.

The Future: OHF has past accomplishments of which we can be proud. Only with continued support from our members can we be ready to meet the challenges and opportunities to help animals in the future.

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