

# IMPACT REPORT 2025



*“You have such big hearts.  
Thank **you** for saving our  
5-year-old from facing scary  
medical procedures alone.”*

*Going through frequent medical interventions is rough for kids.  
Kash knows just what to do to help Lainey’s anxiety and pain.*

Our family has four children between the ages of five and sixteen. The three youngest all face difficult medical challenges. Kash is vital to helping each one of them through their struggles.

This is especially true for Lainey, our five-year-old, who must use oxygen when she is sick. Kash ALWAYS stays by her side when she is getting breathing treatments. He soothes her like no one else can.

Kash is not just our family’s canine companion. He’s our anchor during medical storms. But out of the blue, Kash’s health began rapidly deteriorating.

*Without him, Lainey’s lifeline would be lost.*

See page 2 to learn how  
*you* helped Kash pull  
through for Lainey

It turns out Kash's body was destroying its own red blood cells and he needed blood transfusions immediately. To Kash's human mom, Trisha, it felt like a horrible flashback to the days after their youngest was born. Lainey weighed 1.5 pounds and spent her first 4 months in the ICU, requiring multiple blood transfusions.

Trisha will tell you it touches her soul to see Kash cuddling her daughter as she bravely goes through treatments to make her breathing easier. Even as a puppy, Kash made it his job to take care of Lainey—getting quiet, putting his head in Lainey's lap, and never leaving her side.

When Lainey has to go in the hospital and Kash can't come, she grips on tightly to her look alike stuffed animal, Kashmire, until she can be reunited with her real source of comfort.

So when Kash needed treatment in the ICU, the entire family was frantic. The family has so many human medical bills that borrowing money wasn't an option. Trisha's eyes filled with tears as she recalls the only options the family had left: surrender, or saying goodbye. But because of you, there was another option.

*Through your generosity, you ensured vital care for Kash's life-saving role in their family.*

Now Kash continues to provide every member of the family with the joy and hope to get through life's challenges.



*Kash & his amazing family*



## *From Our Founder*



*Ellie, Smudge, Maya, & Juli*

*Our first decade* has been one of incredible impact, all thanks to your unwavering kindness and generosity. What began with one sick dog (Ellie) has grown into a community of pet lovers helping each other through difficult times. Imagine losing your family's beloved companion due to an unaffordable emergency. **Your compassion prevents that heartbreak and transforms despair into hope for families who need it most.**

*Because of you,* 73 families in 2025 alone continue to share the joy of unconditional love with their pets. Since 2015, you've donated \$1.4 million to honor the bond you have with your pets! These aren't just numbers. Each of these figures represents families kept whole and cherished lives transformed.

*Thank you for saving families, one pet at a time.*  
*Juli Burnell, Executive Director/Founder*

## Your 2025 Impact at a Glance



**25 Cats  
48 Dogs**

*You saved companions for families in need*



**\$235,307**

*You donated for critical veterinary care*

**73 Pets Helped**

*You gave hope to families in crisis*



**\$48,576**

*Given by 96 Faithful Friends*

*You save lives every month*



## Our Journey Together Since 2015



**Thank You**

*You've kept elderly, ill, and mentally fragile folks with their cherished companions*



**\$1.4 Million**

*You've donated to prevent heartbreak*

**You've Saved 675 Beloved Pets**



**12 Vet Practices**

*You've made it possible for vets and staff to say YES to care*



*We are ecstatic to be partnered with you, the donors of Ellie's Rainy Day Fund. At our clinic alone, you have helped 75 families. Because of you, our clients will get what their pets need. Thank you and Ellie's for being in it with us for the long haul. – Dr. Hapner with Turbo*

## Faithful Friends



John & Lucy

*“Every month, I look forward to receiving a Love Story. It touches me to feel how my support helps save a family in crisis.”*

Our American Eskimos have been a joyful part of our lives for more than 30 years. As a Corporate Faithful Friend, it's a privilege to help protect that same love for families who aren't as fortunate. I give and I ask our corporate headquarters to match this recurring donation.

The Ellie's team does exceptional work. They are thoughtful, transparent, and truly outstanding stewards of every donation they receive.

**John Kopeck, CFP<sup>®</sup>, AAMS<sup>®</sup>**



*Scan to Donate*

*You can become a personal or corporate Faithful Friend.  
100% of Your Donations Go Directly to Saving a Pet.*

## See You in 2026

April 18 Faithful Friends Breakfast  
Blessing of the Animals @ Harmony Creek

May 17 Pups on the Patio @ Wandering Griffin

June 6 Dayton PRIDE Festival

July 19 Pups on the Patio @ Wandering Griffin

August 23 Pints for Paws @ Southern OH Brewing

September 26 Costume Party for The Love of Pets  
Anniversary Party @ The Pines



BobBob at the Pet Blessing



Ellie's Rainy Day Fund partners with you to protect the love shared between Miami Valley families and their beloved pets by funding emergency and specialty veterinary care.

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