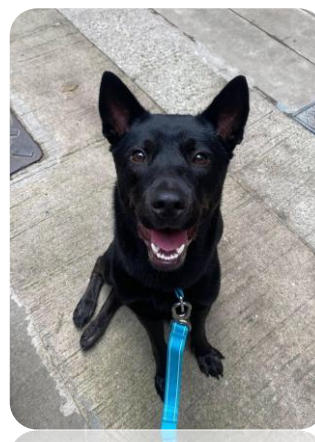




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Society Registration No. 28270 (since Dec 2018)
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About TAILS

RESCUE

Providing shelter, care and medical support to injured, lost, ill, abandoned, abused, neglected and stray cats and dogs.



REHABILITATION

Foster and adoption with experienced, committed, loving families who receive on-going professional advice and support.



COLLABORATION

Working together with the government and other animal welfare organizations for the good of all animals.



MEDICAL CARE

Health checks, preventative and curative medical treatment, and desexing for cats and dogs.



COMMUNITY

Bringing the community together with a sense of purpose and care for animals and each other.



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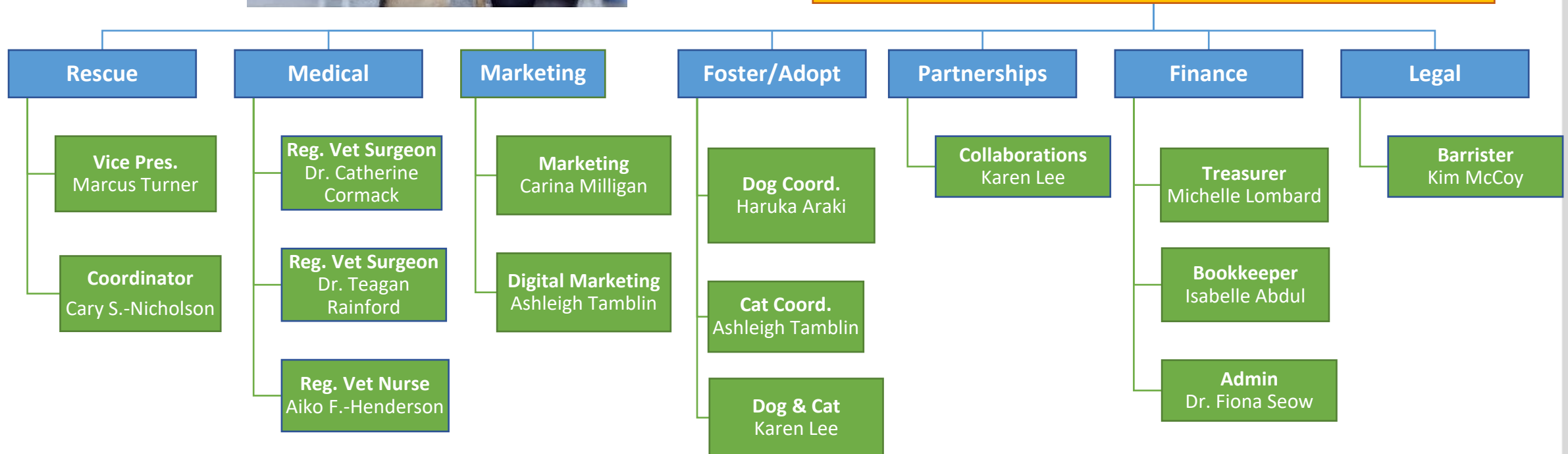
Education on animal welfare and ownership, and opportunity to experience the human-animal bond.



Our Team

Team for Animals in Lantau South (TAILS)

President: Dr. Esslin Terighena / Chief Operations Officer: Carina Milligan





The Theme of 2024 was Change. TAILS is under new leadership! At the end of 2023, our founder Dr. Esslin Terrighena passed the operational reins to the skillful hands of Carina Milligan. Carina has been a core member of the management team since the very beginning. Under her direction, TAILS has successfully supported over 170 cats and dogs this year and had a whopping 45% increase in adoptions! Esslin continues to support TAILS in the background.

More adoptions reflect both the wider reach that we have been cultivating in Hong Kong and the types of rescues we have received this year: healthy kittens and puppies. The sad reality is that older animals, esp. with health issues, are incredibly hard to rehome. Some have been in our care for years now. This not only strains our foster system and limits new intakes but also leads to burnout in our dedicated volunteers. Finding loving forever homes for our long-term dogs and cats remains a key focus for 2025.

Healthy animals also meant fewer vet bills this year, which gave us a little bit of relief from the constant financial strain. Our on-going desexing efforts have been effective with a noticeable decline in litters and pregnant cats and dogs in South Lantau. A big thank you to the veterinary clinics we work with for their professionalism and expertise!

We are looking forward to 2025: More fundraising events and corporate partnerships are on the horizon allowing TAILS to continue to grow and support more animals in need across Hong Kong,

Our 2024



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Since Dec 2018 we have supported over 915 animals

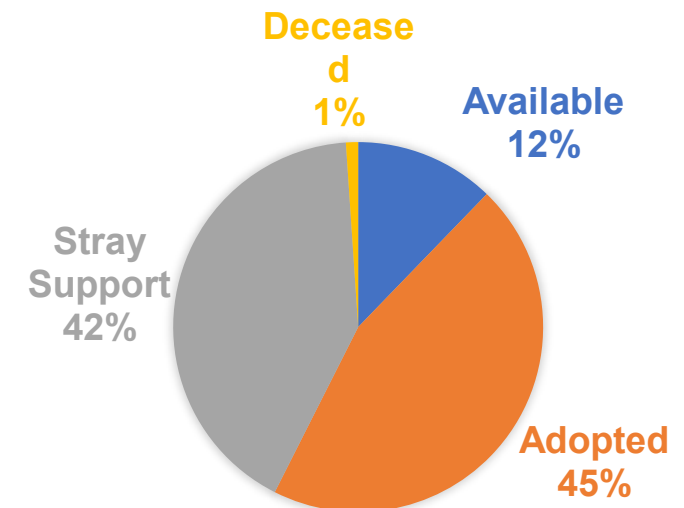
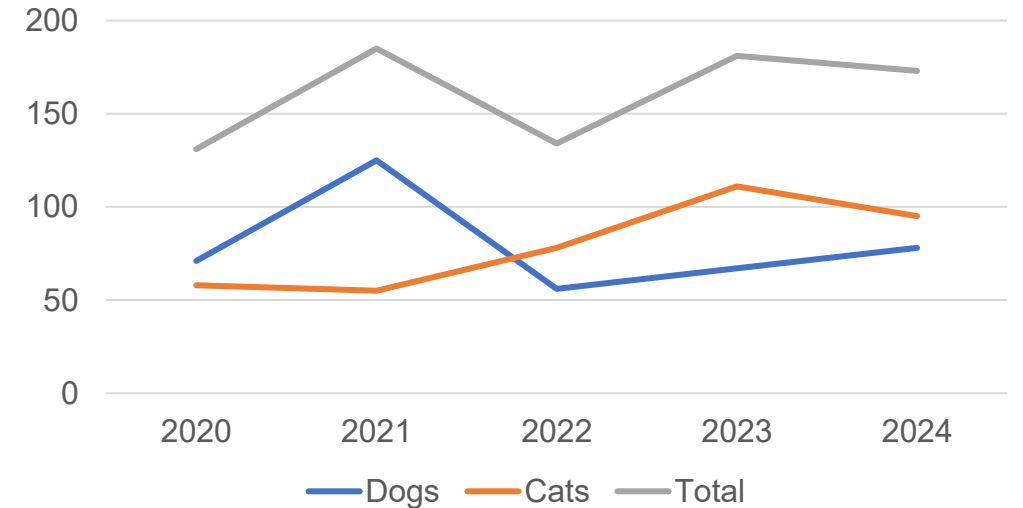
We were pleased that the number of animals we are able to support remained stable this year while navigating our operational changes. This is a true testament to the dedication, capability, and synergy of our team.

We achieved our aim of increasing our dog intake capacity through enhanced promotion of the benefits and responsibilities of dog ownership. Our major **desexing** efforts have resulted in a noticeable decline in litters and pregnancy intakes in South Lantau. A clear sign that our preventative work is making a tangible difference. Both successes motivate us to keep going.

Every loss of an animal we are trying so desperately to save leaves deep scars for each of us, so it has been a relief that there have been fewer complex health issues and deaths in 2024. This is ever-changing, but we are simply grateful.

Our biggest challenge in 2024 were our **long-term dogs and cats**. It has been our biggest heartbreak having to watch these beautiful animals be repeatedly overlooked by adopters due to their age, size, health and even fur colour. Helping these rescues find their loving forever homes is a key target of 2025.

Our Animals





Our Heartbreak

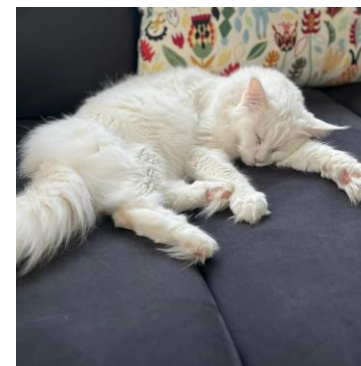
In Loving Memory

In animal rescue, we work with wondrous beings whom we don't share a common verbal language with. We often don't know their full history or personality. What was their life like before they came to us? Were they cared for and loved? Who do they miss most? What's their favourite game? And indeed: are they in pain?

SASHA came to us as a majestic beauty who had been originally rehomed due to relocation. Her adoptive family felt she was unhappy with them. She would lash out violently and unpredictably, esp. at children and pets. Her health check indicated no significant health issues, so we assumed it must be the environment that was stressing her. We agreed that she may fare better as a solo cat in a quiet household.



Unfortunately, things took a sudden turn when Sasha became lethargic and unresponsive. We rushed her to the emergency vet, where it became clear she was drowning in her own blood. Nothing could be done to save her. Underlying health issues had been missed. Sasha had been in severe pain for a while, and no one had known.

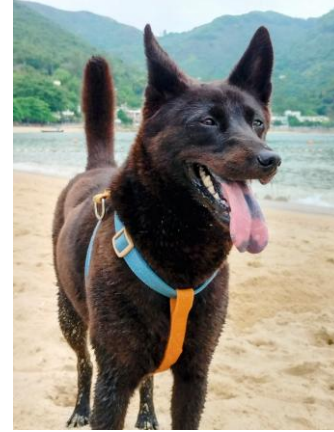


It's devastating to lose an animal whom we were trying to provide a happy life for. Even worse to think she had been suffering all this time, and we did not ease her pain. It leaves us with so many unanswered questions. Why did we miss this? Did we make the right choices? Could we have done better?

We are so sorry, Sasha. Please know that you were so very loved.



Our Happy TAILS



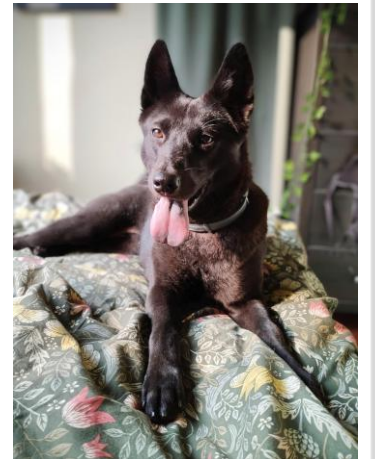
MARLO & MARNIE

Marlo & Marnie were found chained up with zip tie cables so tightly they dared not to move for fear of slicing through their skin. Severely malnourished and suffering from heartworm, they had clearly been neglected long before their owner had left.

We were full to the brim, but how could we leave them like that? They were wary, but so appreciative of attention and affection. Our amazing fosters did their magic: After tons of love, medical treatment, and many (many!) bowls of food, these two pups are now almost unrecognizable from the starving dogs first rescued.



*Marlo and Marnie are both still looking for their adoptive families. Adult dogs are notoriously difficult to rehome. These two had so much pain and suffering in this first year of their lives – **isn't it time for them to find out that there is someone out there who truly wants them forever.** Be that person for them. You can change a dog's life with your love.*



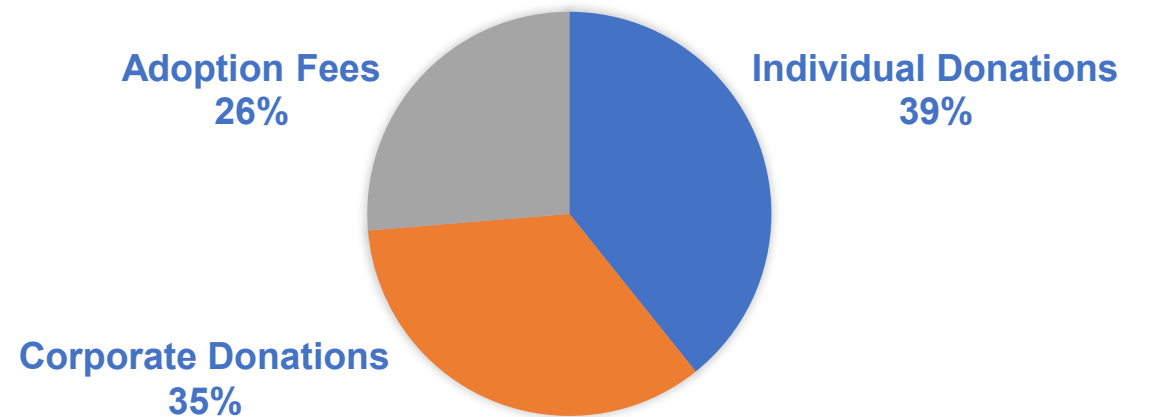
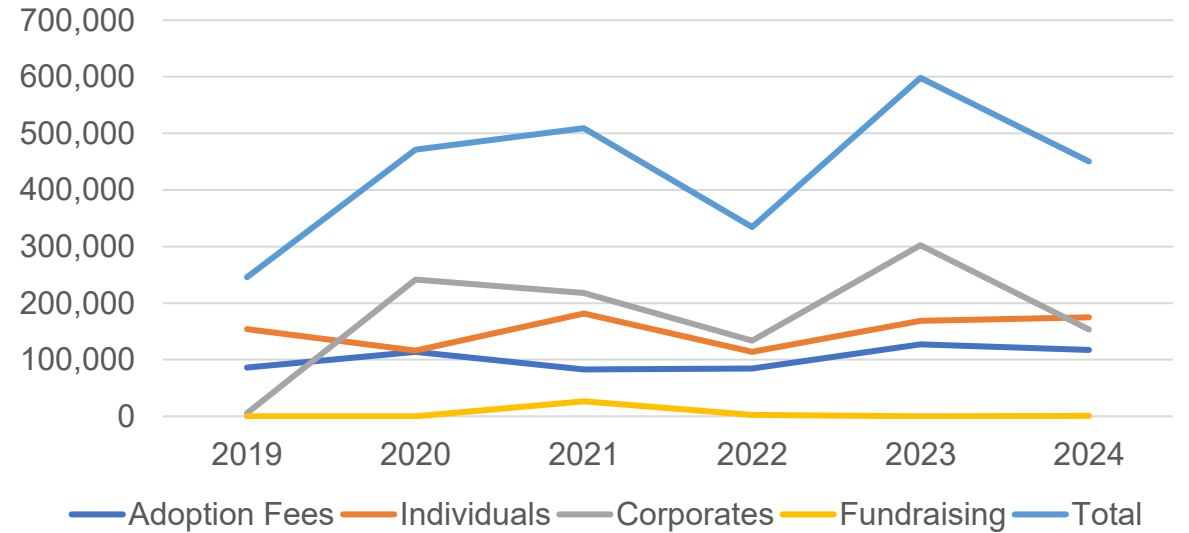


TAILS has stayed afloat this year thanks to both individual and corporate donations, and the AFCD Subvention for 2024. Thank you for supporting our rescue animals and our animal welfare work.

We would like to do a special thank you to our top donor Life Works Products Ltd. who contributed HK\$150,000 to TAILS in 2024. You made it possible to provide needed medical treatment to many of our animals. Thank you for saving their lives!

Our goals for 2025 are to expand our corporate collaborations and partnerships and enhance our fundraising activities for the benefit of our dogs and cats.

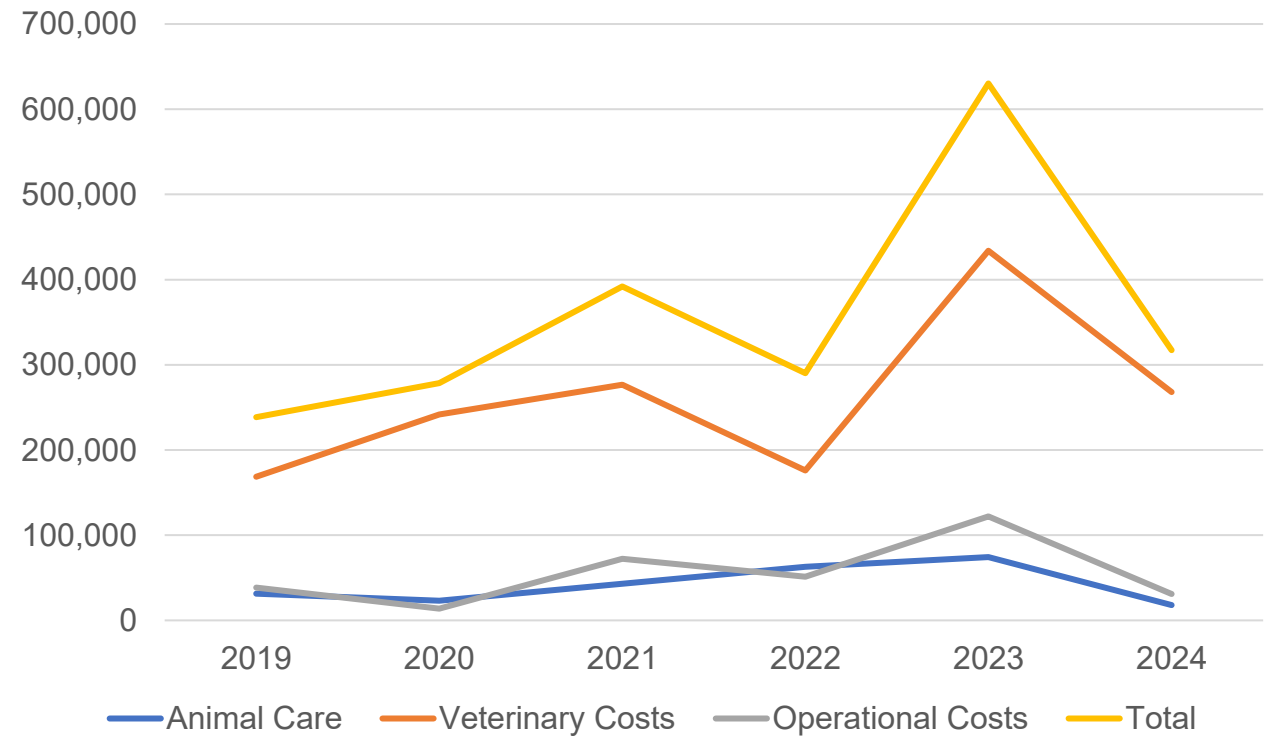
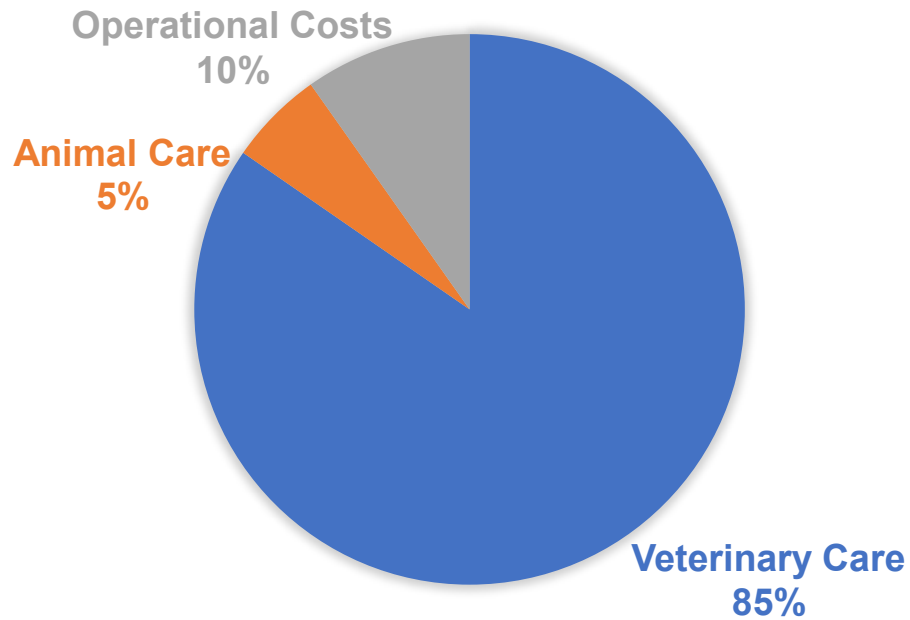
Our Funding





Our Expenses

Last year, our resources were strained from our many dogs and cats with significant illness and injury and costly treatments. This year, we were fortunate to receive largely young and healthy animals. Our veterinary expenses were cut almost in half! Nonetheless, we have had a few severe cases of tick fever, heartworm, pneumonia, and injuries. We are grateful to report that medical treatments for these were successful! While health and medical expenses can be rather unpredictable in animal welfare, we certainly count our blessings in 2024.





We are deeply grateful to all supporters in 2024 who donated time, money, food, and items! Our special thank you goes to:

Our Supporters

- AFCD Subvention 2024 for Rehoming Project for the contribution to our medical bills
- Life Works Products Ltd. For their substantial cash donation for our animals.
- Kangaroo Pet Nutrition Ltd. for their cat food donations.
- Buddy Bites for their monthly dog food donations.
- WandoHK for their cat and dog food donations.
- One Woof Club for partnering to host our adoption days on HK Island.
- Ask for Alonzo for our adoption day collaborations.
- Lantau local for her sale of amazing hot sauces with 100% of proceeds to TAILS
- All of our individual Donors for keeping TAILS running and saving animal lives!



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How can you help?

FOLLOW

Follow us on social media and spread the word on TAILS and our rescue animals



FOSTER

Open your home to an animal in need and care for them while they are waiting for adoption.



DONATE

Help TAILS to cover medical and operational costs – and get tax deductible receipts.



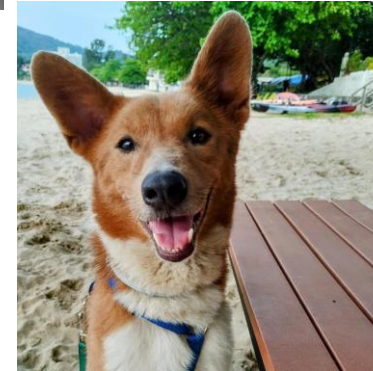
COLLABORATE

Collaborate with TAILS and support our partnerships across Hong Kong.



ADOPT

Give a rescue animal their loving, committed, safe, and stable forever home.



VOLUNTEER

Your time and skills to support our operations, advocacy, and rescue animals.



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