



**STOPPING CRUELTY BEFORE IT STARTS**

# **Cruelty Intervention Advocacy**



**A Holistic Approach to Animal Hoarding**

**AND  
MORE**

# Holistic Approach



**ANIMALS**



**HUMANS**



**COMPREHENSIVE  
ASSISTANCE**

# Program Areas



**Animal  
Hoarding**



**Emergency  
Vet Care  
(PIC)**



**Domestic  
Violence**



# MEET THE TEAM



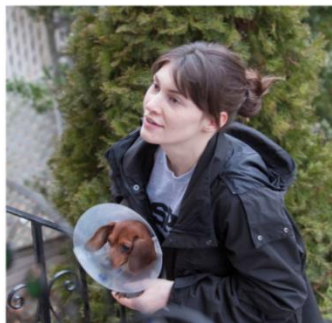
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R&D



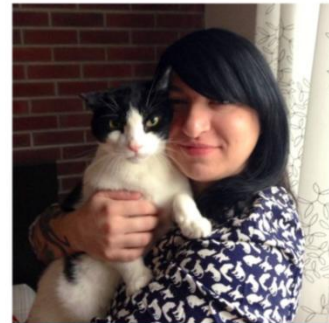
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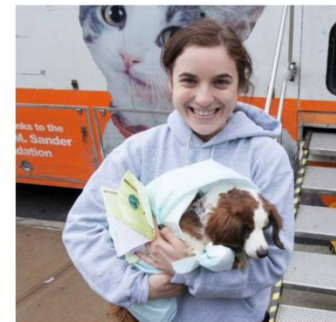
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Animal Removal &  
Transport  
Demographic  
Reporting



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Data Collection  
Metrics Reporting  
Volunteer Socialization  
Program  
Field Assistance

# Holistic Approach

## Animal Assistance



Veterinary Care  
Spay/Neuter  
Removal  
Behavior Support  
Emergency Boarding  
Supplies

## Human Assistance



Engagement &  
Relationship Building  
Mental Health  
Assessment  
Social Services  
Support System  
Long-term Monitoring

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# **Cruelty Intervention Advocacy**

**METRICS SINCE INCEPTION  
2010**



**3,390 animals assisted**



**1,095 animals surrendered**



**97 people assisted**



**710 owned animals S/N**

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# Cruelty Intervention Advocacy

1st Quarter 2013

**16 new  
HOARDING  
cases**  
involving 23  
people and  
over 300  
animals



103 cats surrendered



36 dogs surrendered



74 field visits



49 owned animals S/N

**122  
animals  
transferred**  
to placement  
partners



# THE REALITIES OF ANIMAL HOARDING

**HOARDERS FAIL TO PROVIDE  
BASIC ANIMAL CARE:**

**FOOD  
WATER  
EXERCISE  
CLEAN ENVIRONMENT  
SOCIALIZATION**



**RESULTS:**

**POOR NUTRITION  
CHRONIC ILLNESS  
DEHYDRATION  
OVERCROWDING  
DISEASE  
UNDERSOCIALIZED  
REPRODUCTION... AND MORE**



# SELF-NEGLECT OF HOARDERS

NOT JUST "OVERWHELMED  
CAREGIVERS"

**HOUSEHOLD MAY BE PUBLIC HEALTH HAZARD  
AND A DANGER TO HUMAN OCCUPANTS**

**LACK OF BASIC SANITATION  
UTILITIES AND APPLIANCES MAY BE INOPERABLE  
COMPROMISED AIR QUALITY  
RODENTS/INSECTS  
CLUTTER**



## ENABLING HOARDERS

**HOARDERS MAY HAVE SUPPORT NETWORK:  
VETERINARIANS  
RESCUERS**



**MAY RECEIVE FREE VET CARE OR FOOD**



**SUPPORTERS MAY NOT UNDERSTAND DEPTH OF PROBLEM OR FEAR  
REPORTING TO AUTHORITIES**

# MENTAL HEALTH OF HOARDERS

## MENTAL DISORDERS THAT MAY HAVE VALIDITY

ATTACHMENT DISORDER  
DELUSIONAL DISORDER  
ADDICTIONS MODEL  
PERSONALITY DISORDER  
AUTISTIC SPECTRUM

## EVENTS THAT MAY CONTRIBUTE

CHILDHOOD TRAUMA  
"TRIGGER EVENT"  
COMPLICATED GRIEF PROCESS



# DIVERSITY OF HOARDING CASES IN NYC

CIA SERVES A DIVERSE GROUP  
OF HOARDERS

## VARIATION IN...



AGE {RANGES FROM 18 TO SENIOR CITIZENS}

GENDER AND RACE/ETHNICITY



HOUSEHOLDS {SINGLE PERSONS, COUPLES, FAMILIES}

DWELLING TYPE {APARTMENT/HOUSE/TRAILER}

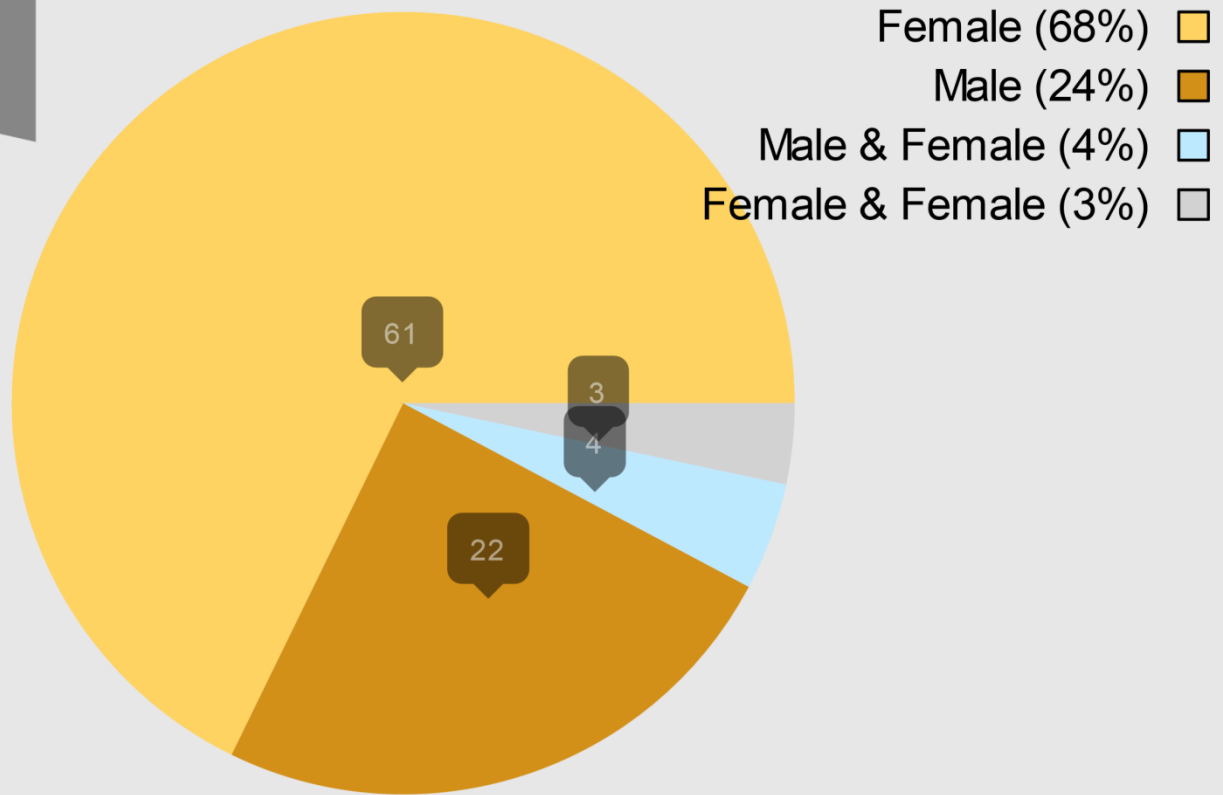


ECONOMIC DIFFERENCES



# Hoarder Profiles

90 CASES



# CASE STUDY















MOBILE ANIMAL CLINIC

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SPAY & VACCINATIONS

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**55 TOTAL**

**30 S/N**

**23 SURRENDERED**



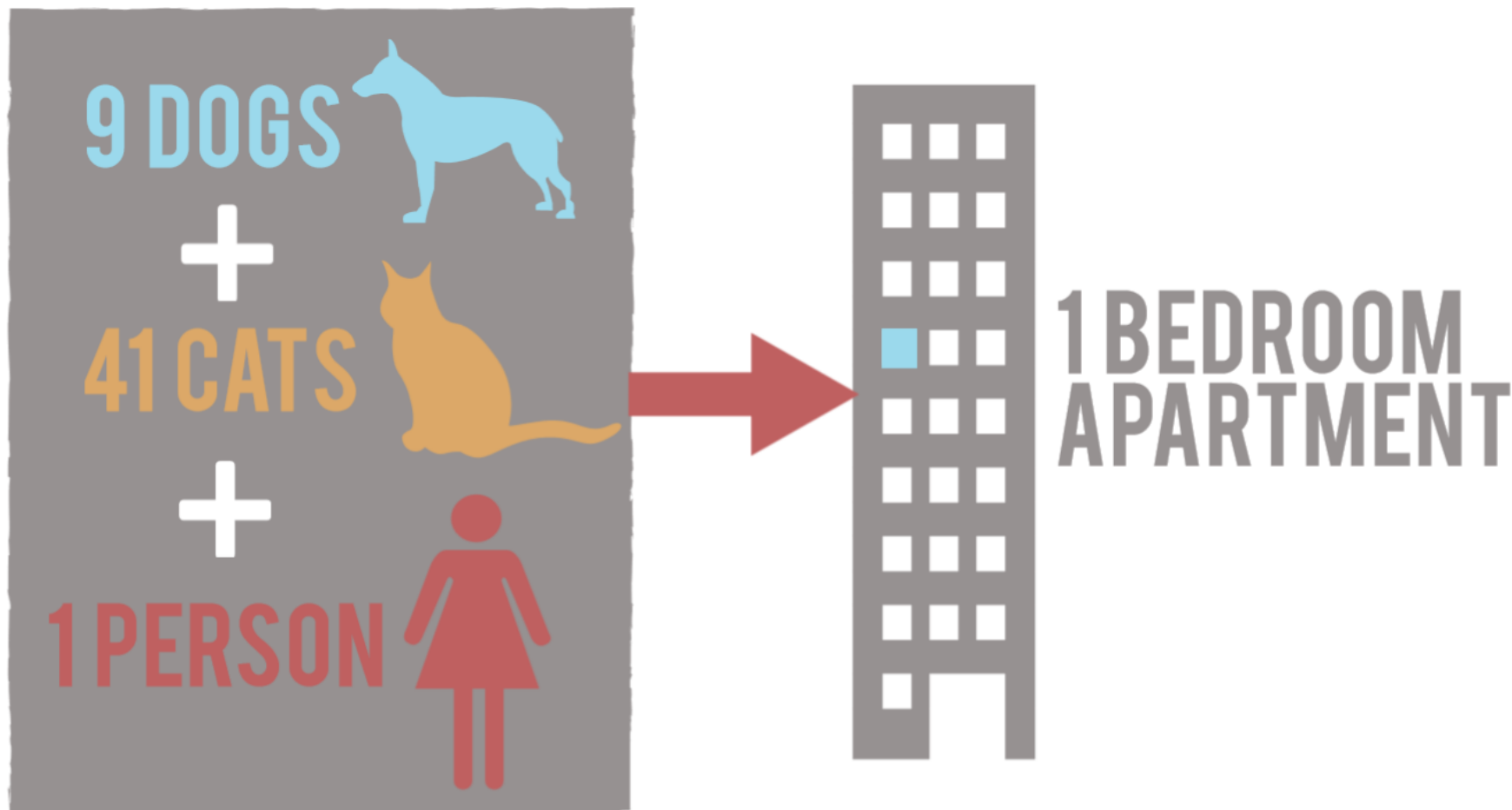




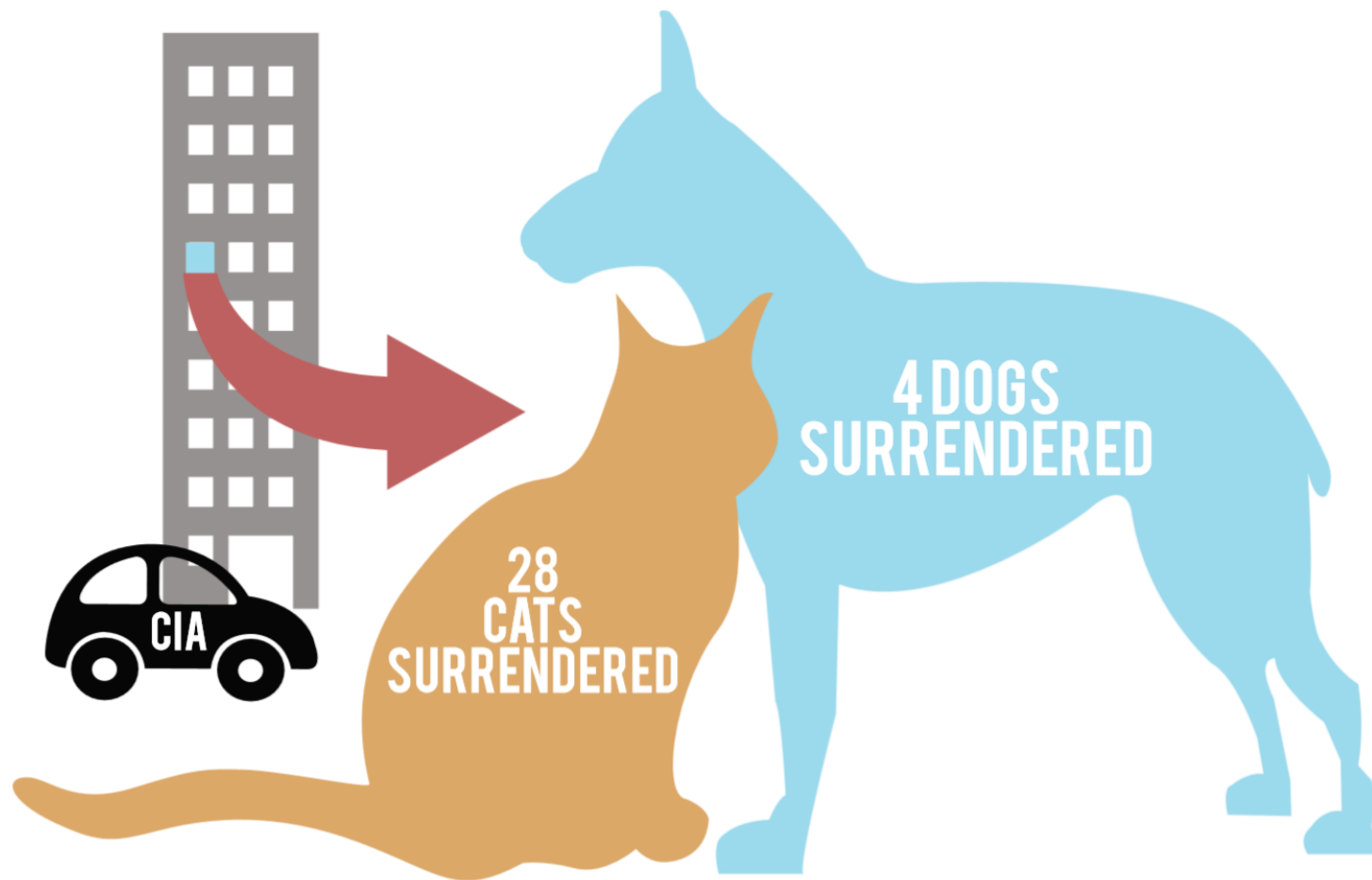




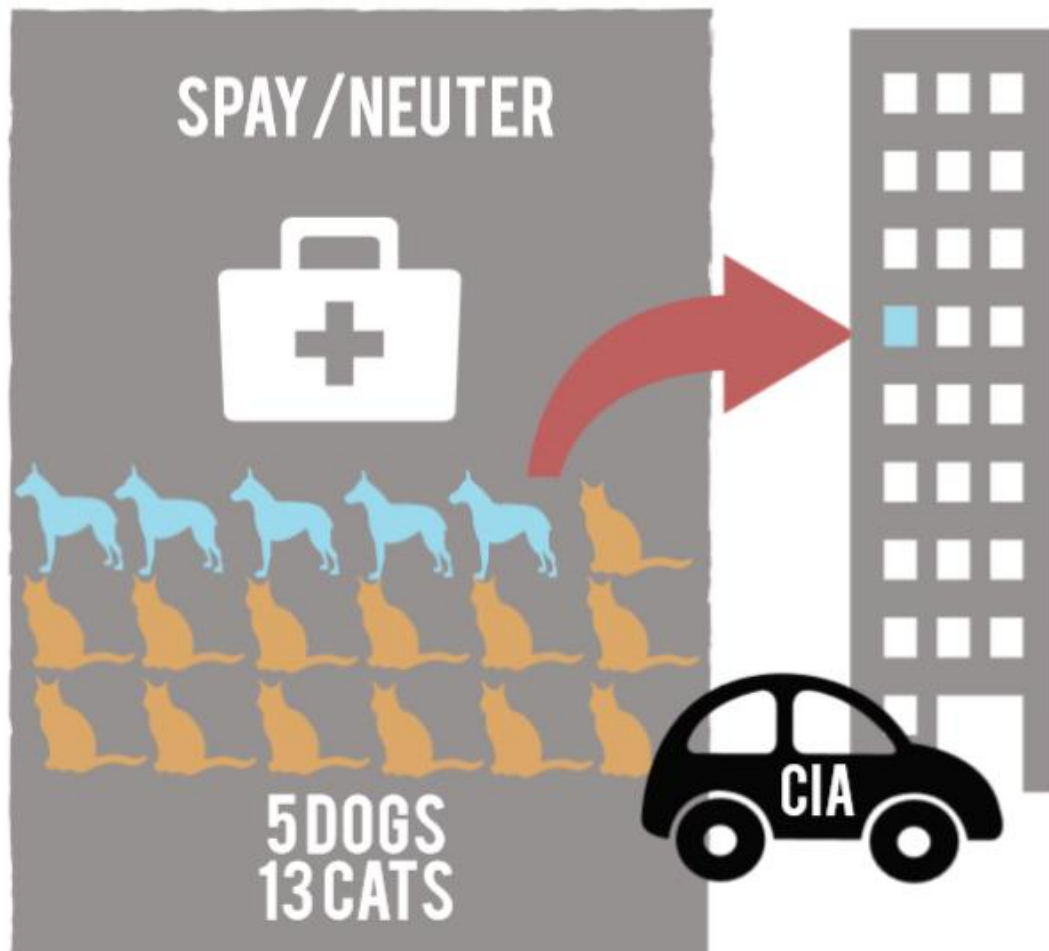
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**PONGO**



# QUESTIONS?

# THANK YOU!



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