# GO NORTH ANIMAL TRANSPORT
### THEIR RIDE HOME.

# 2018

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*For the Innocents*

# GoNorth Transport Collaborative 2018



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**Somebody wants me!**

**I need a ride!**

## Mission

The *GoNorth Transport Collaborative* is a group of animal shelters in east Tennessee that work together to transport animals to under-capacity animal shelters in several northern states. The mission of the GoNorth project is to eliminate euthanasia for space in participating shelters.

## Why GoNorth Exists

Most shelters in east Tennessee are perpetually overcrowded due to random breeding by the large number of unaltered pets in our communities. Pet overpopulation is generally not a problem in northern states, where spaying and neutering of pets is a routine part of responsible pet ownership.

Affordable, accessible spay/neuter programs are the solution to ending animal overpopulation. However, it will take "time on task" to dramatically reduce the birth rate. Transporting southern shelter animals to northern shelters is a lifesaving bridge to the day that pet supply and adoption demand are in balance.

## How GoNorth Works

Shelters that participate in the GoNorth project propose healthy, well-socialized candidates for transport. The candidates go into a "transport queue." The transport coordinators draw from the queue to assemble a roster for transport. Each roster must be a mix of sizes and breeds. Destination shelters review the proposed rosters. Usually, all candidates are accepted.

Prior to transport, all the animals are vaccinated (Distemper/Parvo, Bordetella, Rabies), dewormed, heartworm tested (dogs over 6 months only), and treated for fleas and ticks if needed. If they are not already spayed or neutered, they will be spayed or neutered at the destination shelter prior to adoption. Every animal also receives a health certificate from a veterinarian prior to transport (as required by federal and state law).

On the day of transport, animals are brought to one of several pickup locations. The transport takes place overnight, and the animals sleep through the trip. The transport van arrives at the destination in the early morning, and staff and volunteers welcome the animals. In 2018, dogs were transported to partner shelters in Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York.

## Results

A total of **2462** animals (mostly dogs and puppies) were transported to northern shelters in 2018. Since the program's inception in 2012, **13,737** animals have been transported from east Tennessee to partner shelters in northern states. Most sending shelters report that they have been able to dramatically reduce or eliminate euthanasia for space as a result of being able to send animals north.
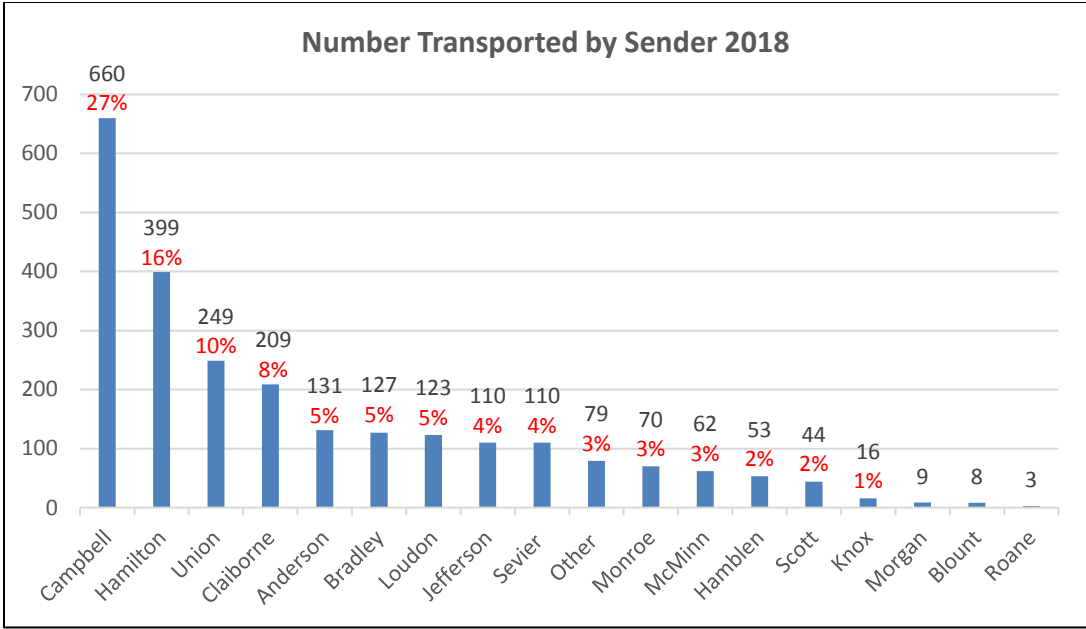
## Sending Shelters

GoNorth primarily assists municipal shelters in east Tennessee. In counties where there is no shelter, animal rescue groups sometimes participate. Below is a map of east Tennessee counties showing participating shelters and rescue groups, followed by a table with the names of participants.

**Counties participating in GoNorth**
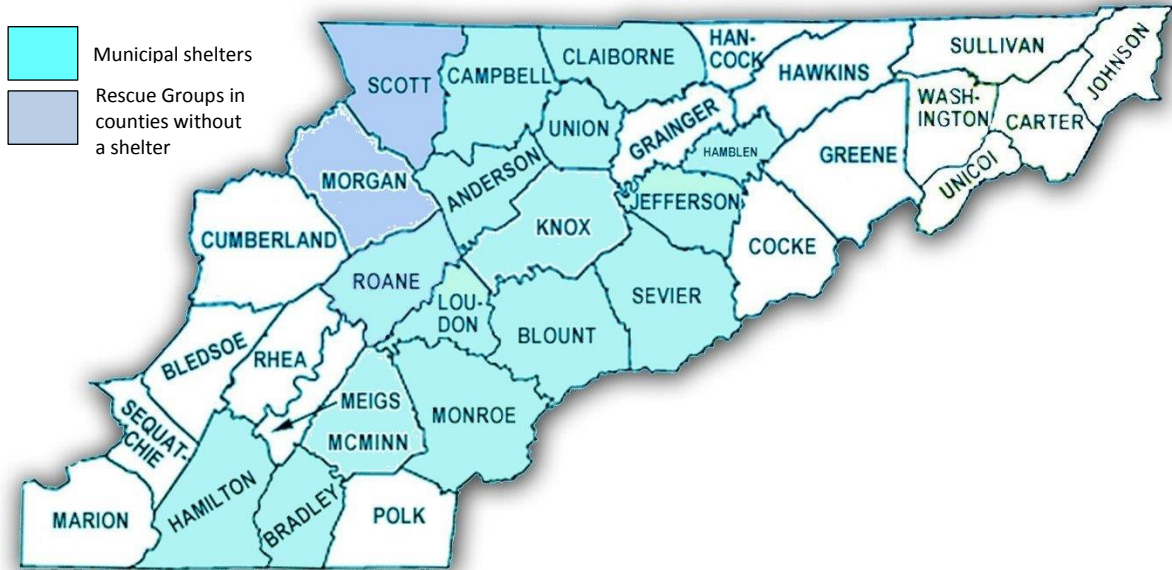


| County | Participating organizations |
| --- | --- |
| Anderson | Anderson County Animal Shelter, Oak Ridge Animal Shelter |
| Blount | Blount County Animal Center |
| Bradley | Bradley County SPCA |
| Campbell | Campbell County Animal Shelter |
| Claiborne | Claiborne County Animal Shelter |
| Hamblen | Morristown Hamblen Humane Society |
| Hamilton | Humane Educational Society, McKamey Animal Center |
| Jefferson | Companion Animal Rescue & Education, Humane Society of Jefferson County |
| Knox | Young-Williams Animal Center |
| Loudon | Loudon County Animal Shelter |
| McMinn | McMinn Regional Humane Society |
| Monroe | Monroe County Animal Shelter |
| Morgan | Senior Dog Lodge & Animal Rescue |
| Roane | Roane County Animal Shelter |
| Scott | For the Love of Paws |
| Sevier | Sevier Animal Care Center, Sevier County Humane Society |
| Union | Union County Humane Society |

**Number Transported by Sender 2018**

| Sender | Number | Percent |
|--------|--------|---------|
| Campbell | 660 | 27% |
| Hamilton | 399 | 16% |
| Union | 249 | 10% |
| Claiborne | 209 | 8% |
| Anderson | 131 | 5% |
| Bradley | 127 | 5% |
| Loudon | 123 | 5% |
| Jefferson | 110 | 4% |
| Sevier | 110 | 4% |
| Other | 79 | 3% |
| Monroe | 70 | 3% |
| McMinn | 62 | 3% |
| Hamblen | 53 | 2% |
| Scott | 44 | 2% |
| Knox | 16 | 1% |
| Morgan | 9 | |
| Blount | 8 | |
| Roane | 3 | |

## Destination Shelters

*Primary transport partners in 2018:*
Wisconsin Humane Society in Milwaukee WI
PA SPCA in Philadelphia PA
Greenville Humane Society in Greenville SC
Vorhees Animal Orphanage in Voorhees Township, NJ
Michigan Humane Society in Rochester Hills MI
Humane Society of Summit County in Twinsburg OH

**Number Transported by Destination 2018**

| Destination | Number | Percent |
|-------------|--------|---------|
| WHS | 537 | 22% |
| PA SPCA | 412 | 17% |
| GHS | 333 | 14% |
| VAO | 323 | 13% |
| MHS | 280 | 11% |
| HSSC | 177 | 7% |
| Other | 197 | 16% |
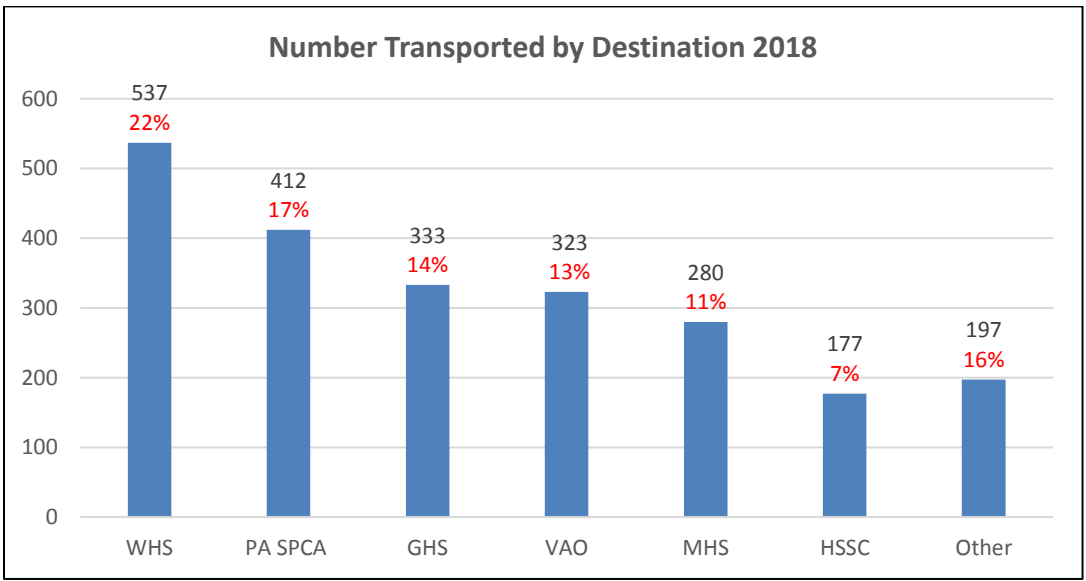
## Key Personnel

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| Project Coordinator | Carmen Trammell |
| Transport Coordinators | Deonna Light, Patricia Siwinski |
| Drivers | Debra Beeler, Keith Ducharme, Scott Gunter, John Kluever, Judy Kluever, Jeff Sindlinger, Mike Siwinski, Patricia Siwinski |
| Van Manager | Campbell County Animal Shelter |
| *Sending Shelter Coordinators* | |

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|---|---|
| Anderson: Carrie Brandt, Katrina Hall, Rachal Bean | Knox: Brandy Ellison |
| | Loudon: April Kennedy |
| Blount: Kristin Baksa | McMinn: Angie DeForrest |
| Bradley: Kristin Harvey, Amanda Morgan | Monroe: Liz Sneed |
| Campbell: Patricia Siwinski | Morgan: Lisa Hill |
| Claiborne: Misti Sandifer | Roane: Stacey McElhaney |
| Hamblen: Sheila Jackson | Scott: Lauren Jeffers, Brooke Miller |
| Hamilton: Katie Christie, Chasity Garrett | Sevier: Michaela Sorey, Ashley Thomas |
| Jefferson: Julie Carter, Kris Spencer | Union: Tammy Rouse |

## Income and Expenses

### Income

| Income Source | Amount |
|---|---|
| Grants* | 60,000 |
| Individual Donors | 25,077 |
| Cost Sharing by Destinations* | 8,885 |
| Total | $93,962 |

* Transport expenses only. Does not include pre-transport vetting expenses paid by shelters.

### Expenses

| Expense Item | Amount |
|---|---|
| Vehicle payments | 8,460 |
| Maintenance/Repairs | 5,952 |
| Insurance | 3,350 |
| Fuel | 11,364 |
| Driver per diem (2 drivers/trip) | 28,800 |
| Van cleaning, supplies, equipment | 12,000 |
| Contracted services | 16,800 |
| Total | $86,726 |

## Vital Statistics for 2018

**Animals and Transports**

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|---|---|
| Animals Transported | 2462 |
| Number of Transports | 96 |
| Average Animals per Transport | 26 |

**Senders**

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|---|---|
| Municipal Shelters | 18 |
| Non-municipal Shelters | 2 |
| Rescue Groups | 3 |
| Other (Vet Clinics, Individuals) | 2 |
| Total Senders | 25 |

**Receivers**

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|---|---|
| Municipal Shelters | 0 |
| Non-municipal Shelters | 13 |
| Rescue Groups | 3 |
| Total Receivers | 16 |

**Revenue Sources**

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|---|---|
| Grantors | 3 |
| Donors | 102 |
| Destinations | 5 |

**Costs**

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|---|---|
| Total Expenses | $86,726 |
| Average Monthly Expenses | $7,227 |
| Average Cost per Transport | $903 |
| Average Cost per Animal | $35 |

## 2018 Highlights

- **2462 innocents went north for second chances at life. A cumulative 13737 innocents have gone north to new lives through the GoNorth project.**
- The first-ever GoNorth fundraiser was held, yielding $10,000.
- GoNorth was "gifted" with a 2014 Sprinter being retired by another nonprofit organization.
- The Campbell County Animal Shelter again did an outstanding job of taking care of the GoNorth vehicles. The vehicles are garaged at the shelter, and the shelter provides staff to clean, prep, maintain, and drive the vehicles.
- Five destination shelters began sharing costs on a per animal basis.
- A GoNorth Information site (for internal use) was launched to provide increased transparency and communication for participating shelters. The site contains the transport queue, rosters that have been "pitched" to destinations, rosters that have been approved for transport, a calendar of transport dates, and contact information for all participants in the project.

# GoNorth Transport Collaborative - 2018 Transports

| Date | Number Transported | Destination |
|---|---|---|
| 2-Jan | 22 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 4-Jan | 13 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 7-Jan | 21 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 10-Jan | 23 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 15-Jan | 27 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 17-Jan | 16 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 24-Jan | 28 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 1-Feb | 20 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 1-Feb | 21 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 4-Feb | 31 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 7-Feb | 42 | Humane Society of Summit County (Twinsburg OH) |
| 13-Feb | 23 | St. Huberts Animal Welfare Center (Madison NJ) |
| 16-Feb | 34 | Misc Northeastern Rescues |
| 19-Feb | 29 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 23-Feb | 28 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 25-Feb | 21 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 28-Feb | 23 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 1-Mar | 21 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 2-Mar | 22 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 11-Mar | 22 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 15-Mar | 42 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 16-Mar | 29 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 16-Mar | 32 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 21-Mar | 32 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 25-Mar | 22 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 29-Mar | 25 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 29-Mar | 10 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 1-Apr | 28 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 5-Apr | 22 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 5-Apr | 15 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 8-Apr | 27 | Humane Society of Summit County (Twinsburg OH) |
| 17-Apr | 27 | St. Huberts Animal Welfare Center (Madison NJ) |
| 20-Apr | 24 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 27-Apr | 27 | Humane Society of Summit County (Twinsburg OH) |
| 1-May | 13 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 1-May | 18 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 3-May | 22 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 3-May | 25 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 9-May | 25 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 14-May | 19 | Bideawee (Wantagh NY) |
| 16-May | 23 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 20-May | 24 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 21-May | 21 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |

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|---|---|---|
| 23-May | 21 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 29-May | 17 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 29-May | 24 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 30-May | 26 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 1-Jun | 24 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 6-Jun | 32 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 6-Jun | 10 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 7-Jun | 12 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 9-Jun | 9 | Cats released from a research institution |
| 10-Jun | 38 | Humane Society of Summit County (Twinsburg OH) |
| 13-Jun | 27 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 17-Jun | 21 | St. Huberts Animal Welfare Center (Ledgewood NJ) |
| 17-Jun | 17 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 21-Jun | 12 | Adams County SPCA (Gettysburg PA} |
| 21-Jun | 20 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 26-Jun | 9 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 27-Jun | 34 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 2-Jul | 39 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 4-Jul | 26 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 5-Jul | 20 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 5-Jul | 32 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 15-Jul | 28 | Humane Society of Summit County (Twinsburg OH) |
| 18-Jul | 29 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 31-Jul | 19 | Bideawee (Wantagh NY) |
| 31-Jul | 34 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 8-Aug | 27 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 8-Aug | 25 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 8-Aug | 3 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 9-Aug | 11 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 15-Aug | 20 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 16-Aug | 11 | Bideawee (Wantagh NY) |
| 16-Aug | 26 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 22-Aug | 19 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 22-Aug | 7 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 27-Aug | 33 | Clark County Humane Society (Neillsville WI) |
| 29-Aug | 15 | Humane Society of Summit County (Twinsburg OH) |
| 29-Aug | 8 | Toronto Humane Society (Toronto CA) |
| 11-Sep | 14 | Nashville Humane Society (Nashville TN) |
| 12-Sep | 32 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 20-Sep | 17 | Nashville Humane Society (Nashville TN) |
| 20-Sep | 19 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 25-Sep | 19 | Rescue + Freedom Project (multiple locations) |
| 26-Sep | 19 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 4-Oct | 20 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |

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|---|---|---|
| 5-Oct | 27 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 10-Oct | 19 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 11-Oct | 19 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 15-Oct | 18 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 26-Oct | 31 | NY rescue groups |
| 2-Nov | 12 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 2-Nov | 17 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 2-Nov | 11 | Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ) |
| 8-Nov | 11 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 8-Nov | 10 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 14-Nov | 15 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 15-Nov | 15 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 15-Nov | 15 | Bideawee (Wantagh NY) |
| 23-Nov | 24 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 29-Nov | 14 | Bideawee (Wantagh NY) |
| 29-Nov | 16 | Pat's Puppy Rescue (Toms River NJ) |
| 30-Nov | 11 | Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ) |
| 30-Nov | 24 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 3-Dec | 12 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 3-Dec | 16 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 6-Dec | 15 | Greenville Humane Society (Greenville SC) |
| 6-Dec | 7 | Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ) |
| 6-Dec | 6 | Bideawee (Wantagh NY) |
| 6-Dec | 10 | Pat's Puppy Rescue (Toms River NJ) |
| 12-Dec | 28 | Michigan Humane Society (Rochester Hills MI) |
| 13-Dec | 14 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 13-Dec | 7 | Vorhees Animal Orphanage (Voorhees Township, NJ) |
| 14-Dec | 7 | Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ) |
| 14-Dec | 9 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| 19-Dec | 25 | Wisconsin Humane Society (Milwaukee WI) |
| 27-Dec | 6 | Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter (East Hanover NJ) |
| 27-Dec | 27 | PA SPCA (Philadelphia PA) |
| Total | 2462 | |

**APPENDIX**

**Pictures of Transported Animals**


**See** *https://gonorthtransport.org/the-passengers/*