



## To their health!

Muttville is one of the only rescue organizations in the country with a veterinary program. So many senior dogs arrive in dire need of medical care that as soon as we moved into our current HQ, we devoted an area to first aid and running basic tests. It was staffed by a single vet tech.

We realized that in-house medicine could not only help our dogs in an emergency, but could significantly lower costs. Chief Veterinary Officer Angela Ramiro joined the team in 2015 and began, step by step, to build a robust program.

We now have a full-time veterinarian, two full-time and one part-time vet techs, an area for dental procedures and a sterile surgical suite, and a huge network of veterinary professionals and clinics that volunteer or work at discount.

“I was ready to give up veterinary medicine, and then I found Muttville,” says Angela. The best part? “When I see a dog come to us in terrible shape and a week later is adopted into a loving home – I look forward to that every week.”

*GERTRUDE came to Muttville dazed and listless. An exam revealed a life-threatening uterine infection. Immediate emergency surgery saved her life.*



## Intake

Every dog gets an intake exam, blood panel, flea and tick medicine, vaccinations, and treatment for chronic conditions. Every dog in pain gets immediate relief. If warranted, dogs are scheduled for further procedures, including dental work.



*HURDY GURDY GIRL came with mammary tumors, skin infections, and a broken jaw. Extensive surgery turned her from withdrawn to exuberant.*



## Dentals

Dental care is so critical to a dog’s general health that our first room in the new vet suite was for dental treatment and surgery. We do an average of 16 dentals a week.

## Surgery

We perform spays and neuters, enucleations, mass removal and other soft tissue surgeries in-house. Specialty surgeons donate their time for complicated or unusual procedures.



## Emergency

When dogs come to us with dire, life-threatening conditions or in excruciating pain, we can respond immediately.

# Hospice means love



We knew Fritz (left), a 12-year-old Spitz mix with many medical issues, had so much love to give. We also knew he didn't have much time. He went into our hospice program, the first in the country. (We recently spoke about the program at the annual U.S. Humane Society conference, and we mentor other organizations looking to start a program.) Fritz is living his last chapter with the adoration and love he deserves!

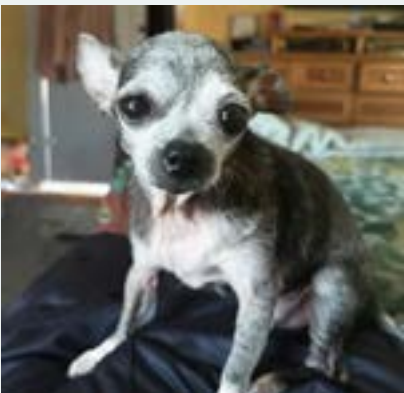


The team (Back row, left to right) Dr. O'Neill, Taylor, and Jorie; (front row) Kamryn and Angela.

**In 2022, we performed more dental procedures and surgeries than ever before. 2023 is on track for more.**

# Transformational care

Nibbles (at right) was a 12-year-old chihuahua who had been neglected for a very long time. With no hope for adoption at her shelter, she came to Muttville. We repaired her huge inguinal hernia, treated her infections, and sent her off to a fabulous forever home, where you can see (below) she is aging backwards!



**648**  
dentals

**304**  
spays and neuters

**85**  
other surgeries

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