

Annual Report

In times like these when joy is hard to come by, Roxy™ Therapy Dogs is here to comfort and support children.



We retrieve hearts!

2021



From Roxy's President



ROXY TEAMS REALLY REACHED AMAZING NEW HEIGHTS in 2021. This was definitely a year of growth, for our organization, our potential, our determination, and most certainly our reach.

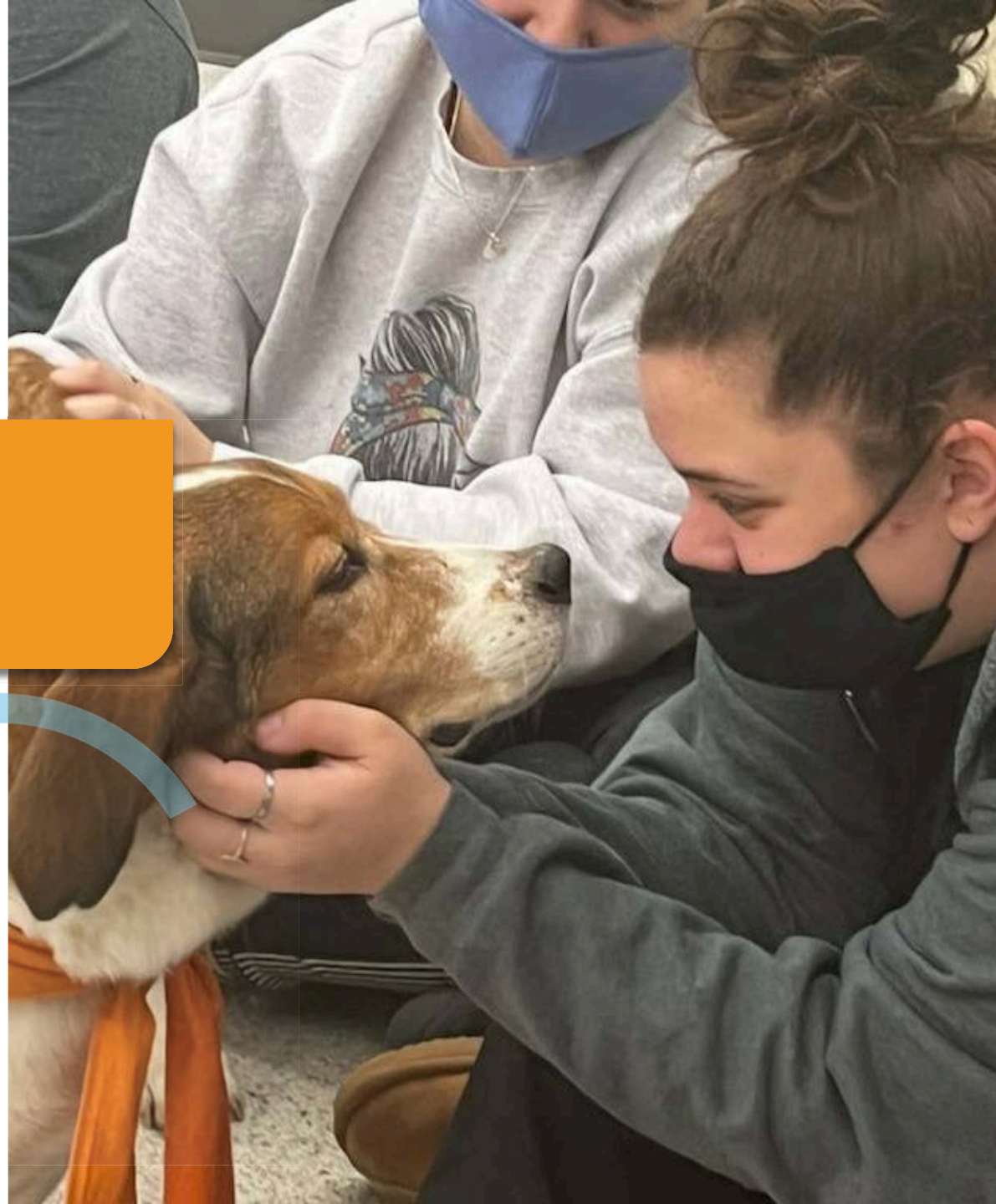
We have such a diverse and talented group of wonderful volunteers who continue to offer their gifts, time, and beautiful hearts, free to the community, asking nothing in return. This type of dynamic in a nonprofit organization is a unicorn nowadays and I never take it for granted.

None of Roxy's accomplishments in 2021 would be possible without the donations and support from you, our extended Roxy family. You enabled us to provide these irreplaceable services for the children in our community. We share these accomplishments with YOU, along with an extremely heartfelt THANK YOU.

— SHARON FLECK (AND MO)



About ROXY



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6 Programs to Comfort and Support Children



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL READING INSPIRATION

Roxy's flagship program gives young readers a chance to read aloud to a furry friend on a regular basis. Dogs don't judge or correct, but serve as a calming influence, building students' confidence, improving reading skills, and fostering a love of reading.



STUDENT SPECIALIZED SUPPORT

Students in Autistic, Multiple Disability, Life Skills, Learning Support, and Emotional Support classes benefit from regular Roxy visits that help them maintain a sense of calm, well being, openness to stimuli and learning while increasing social competence and empathy.



SECONDARY SCHOOL STRESS RELIEF

High school students struggling with stress and anxiety benefit from the much needed support and compassion provided by Roxy visits as part of Stress Management classes, organized support groups, and during exam times.

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COURTHOUSE COMPANIONSHIP

At the Bucks County Courthouse, our dogs comfort children navigating Dependency Court or who are victims of violent crime. Children are able to relax and remain calm with a dog by their side. On occasion, dogs are invited into the courtroom.



PEDIATRIC COMFORT

Roxy teams bring joy to children in hospital and healthcare settings. Roxy visits calm patients' fears, give them a break from medical procedures, and ultimately speed the healing process.



ROXY™ RESPONDERS

Children feel comforted by the soft fur, understanding eyes, and calm demeanor of a Roxy Responder dog during stressful times associated with a traumatic event in the community.

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As of 12.31.21

About Roxy

Our Invaluable Roxy Dogs

Anya
Athena
Atticus
Bauer
Bella
Bentley
Bonnie Jean
Boomer
Buddy D.
Buddy H.
Bullet
Chance
Charlie
Chloe
Cody
Cooper K.
Cooper Snyder
Cooper Solomon
Dizzy
Finnegan
Fiona
Gwynne

Halley
Hansa
Holly
Ivy
Josie
Katie
Kerri
Kizmet
Lexie
Louie
Lowen
Lucy
Luke
Mac
Maggie
Maple
Marshall
Mila
Missy
Murphy
Nacho

Oliver
Pip
Piper
Roger
Sadie
Scarlett
Shay
Skylar
Sunna
Sydney
Teagan
Teddy B.
Teddy V.
Tenny
Theo
Trixie
Tucker F.
Tucker G.
Zoey

Claire
Luna
Obi

Rainbow Bridge

2021

Gracie
Jazmin
Mo
Nellie
Nike
Panda
Tank





New in 2021



Roxy™ Responders Formed

Specializing in on-call trauma response, Roxy Responders was created to bring comfort to children and youth experiencing upsetting reactions to traumatic events. The initiative is the brainchild of Sharon Fleck, Roxy President, who felt a call to action in the Spring of 2021 after a local student was killed in a car accident on prom night.

After specialized training, Roxy Responders' first call was in the Quakertown district, comforting children in the aftermath of a Christmas morning fire which claimed the lives of an 8-year-old, an 11-year-old, and their father.



(Left) Lowen proudly wears his new Roxy Responders bandana.

(Right) Oliver works his magic at Strayer in Quakertown.



Roxymobile Hits the Road



Maddi Fleck, Sharon Fleck, Tom Donnelly, and Tom's dog, Scarlett

"Roxy comforts and supports 3,000+ children per week (during non-covid times)," Roxy Board Chair Tom Donnelly said, "yet many people have never heard of us. The Roxymobile will serve as a traveling billboard, and, hopefully, boost awareness of Roxy in the area."

The wrap for the car was financed by fundraisers run by the Central Bucks High School East Roxy Club. Club founder, Maddi Fleck, said, "It's exciting to know the Roxymobile will be enjoyed by children in our community for years to come."

New in 2021

CB South Roxy Club Forms



Following the lead of CB East, CB South formed their own Roxy Club in the Fall of 2021. Club President, Athena Tomlinson, was very excited about the opportunity to fundraise for Roxy and also provide stress relief opportunities for her fellow students.

Roxy President On 6ABC



Always a hero to us, Roxy™ Therapy Dogs' President Sharon Fleck, of Doylestown, was featured in a segment by Channel 6, WPVI, entitled "Hometown Heroes" on August 30, 2021 during the 6:00 evening news.

Certificate of Excellence Series 2 and 3



Certificate of Excellence

ROXY™ THERAPY DOGS

Our continuing education program designed for certified therapy dog teams, parents, healthcare providers, and educators continues to thrive. Videos of each series are available for purchase on our website.

Spring 2021

INSIGHTS INTO THE MENTAL HEALTH AND EMOTIONAL WELLNESS OF CHILDREN

Fall 2021

RESPONDING TO TRAUMATIC EVENTS AFFECTING CHILDREN

“Excellent series and a true value add for anyone who had the benefit of joining. Thanks!!!”

— Series Participant



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Roxy's Impact



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"On behalf of the CB East community, I would like to express our most sincere gratitude to Roxy Therapy Dogs for the compassionate care they provided to CB East this year and at every point in the school year."

**–Tracey DeRosier, House Principal,
CB East High School**

"My daughter has been visiting with your dogs since 1st grade. (She's in 5th!) She's autistic and dogs are one of her great obsessions in life. Thank you for all you do as it makes a difference in this kid's life as well as so many others!!!"

– Parent, Butler Elementary School

"If you have a tragedy in your district, bring in the dogs."

**–Dr. William E. Harner, Superintendent of the
Quakertown Community School District**

"Pine Run is fortunate to have a strong connection with Roxy Therapy Dogs. Our students and staff have benefitted from this program in many ways. From increased reading fluency and confidence to improved social and emotional wellness, there is a visible difference when teams visit."

–Stacey Pedersen, Principal, Pine Run Elementary



Roxy's Impact

From Judge Mellon



After too many months of the halls of the Bucks County Justice Center being empty, we have become even more grateful to see our furry friends back! The Roxy dogs provide our court with a much-appreciated source of stress relief and joy. Bucks County has been so fortunate to have had this amazing program a part of our courtrooms for so many years.

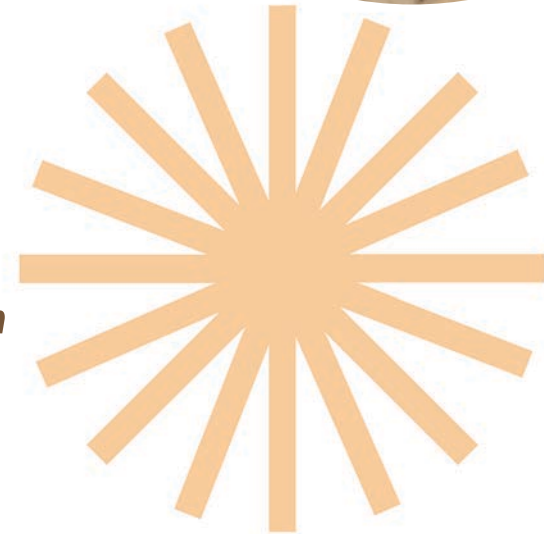
The Roxy dogs and volunteers are loved by not only all the children that have to come to court but also by all the staff. There is nothing greater than to see a child's face that had been scared and sad, light up with happiness and excitement as the Roxy team approaches.

The work that is being done by Roxy is priceless. I'm not sure the Roxy teams realize just how much they give to us. The Bucks County Justice Center is a better place because the Roxy dogs are in it!

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers for their work and of course, for sharing their dogs with us!

With Much Gratitude,

***The Honorable Robert J. Mellon
Bucks County Court
of Common Pleas Judge***



Roxy's Impact

"I've been bragging non stop about the impact your dogs had on the kids, staff, and school community during this difficult time! This experience has given us an understanding of the incredible impact dogs have on our students and staff and their well being.."

**– Karen Martinell, Bucks IU,
Strayer Middle School**

"Tucker makes me feel calm and excited while I am reading because sometimes, I am reading a harder book and he is patient. If I mispronounce a word, he doesn't care."

**– Second Grade Student,
Pine Run Elementary School**

"I accompanied a terrified little girl into court to testify. I told her my dog liked to be hugged and she immediately wrapped herself around him. That gesture gave her the courage to speak up. It doesn't get any better than that."

– Roxy Volunteer

One Word to Describe Roxy?
"Reading, compassion, support, love, fun, friend, unconditional, confidence, positive reinforcement, bonding, calm, relaxed, great mood!!!"

– CBSD Teacher Poll Results

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From a Roxy Volunteer



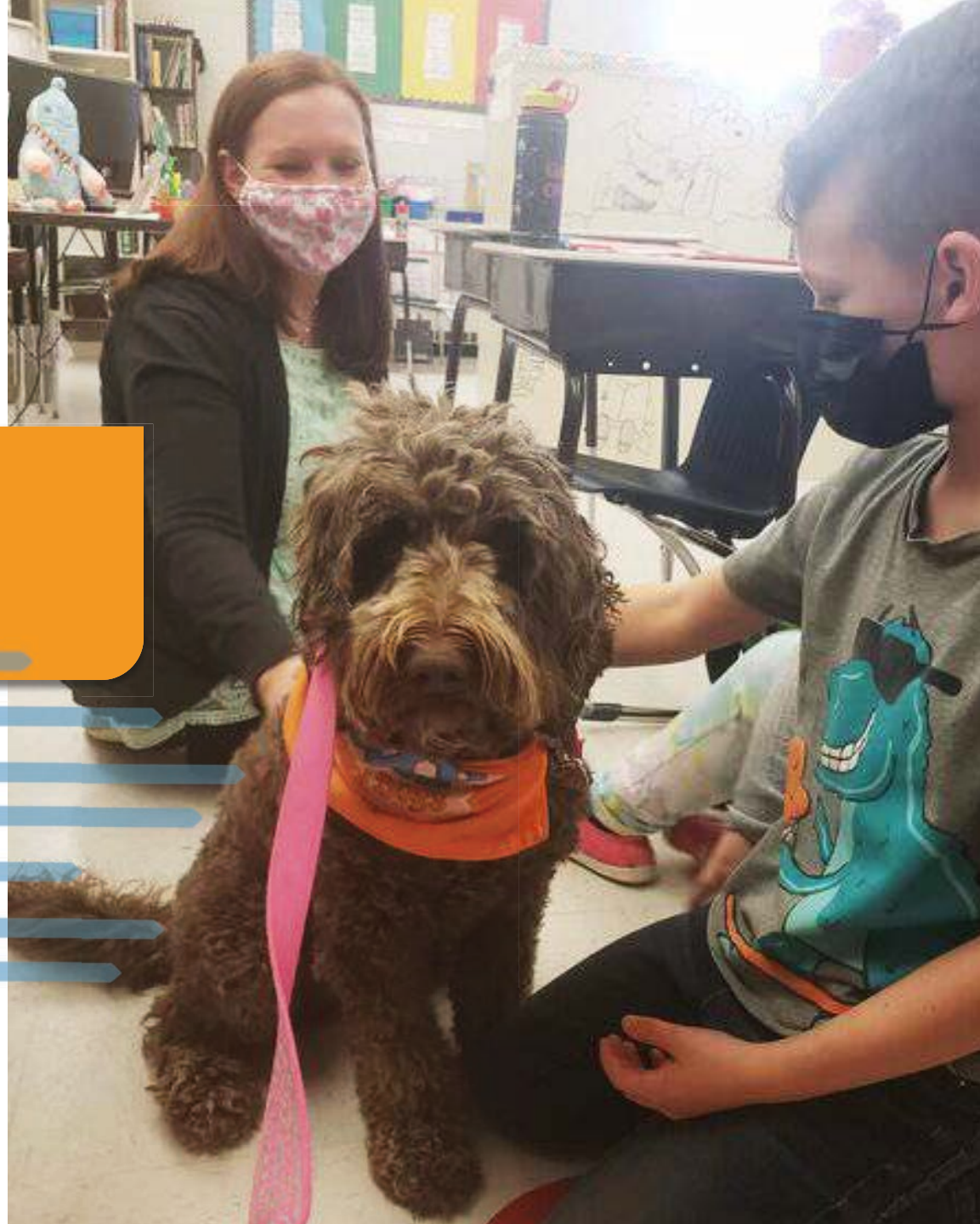
Yes we are there for the 'children' but the joy we spread as therapy teams to all involved makes everyday a better day. But I also see the times when the teachers give him a scratch behind the ears, or stop us just to give (and get) a hug from him; the joy, distraction and comfort for youth when dealing court processes; the judge who stops court to say hello to Tucker; and the staff at all the locations that smile."

—Steve Glabere, Roxy Volunteer





Financials



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2021 Financials

Income

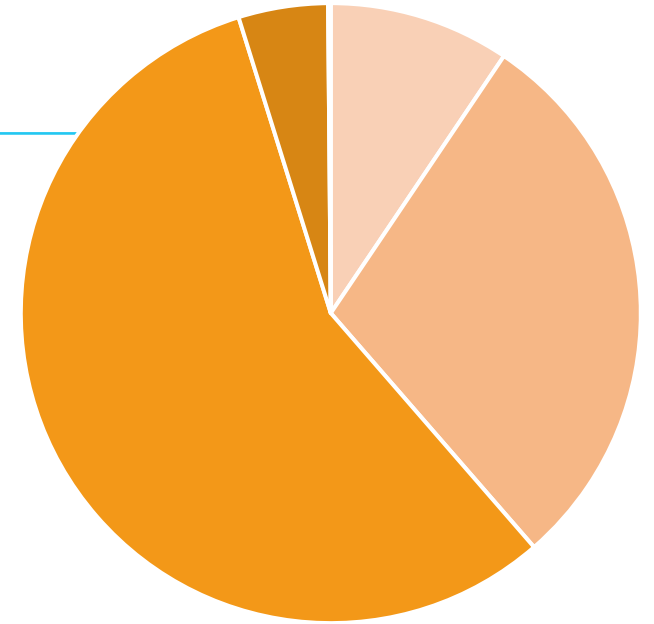
	<u>\$ Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Business Contributions	3,233	9.4
Grants Received	10,000	29.2
Individual Contributions	19,387	56.6
Program Income	1,600	4.7
Other Income	48	0.1
	<u>34,267</u>	<u>100.0</u>

Expenses

	<u>\$ Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Program Expenses	6,528	34.3
Administrative Expenses	5,484	28.8
Outreach Expenses	<u>7,031</u>	<u>36.9</u>
	<u>19,043</u>	<u>100.0</u>

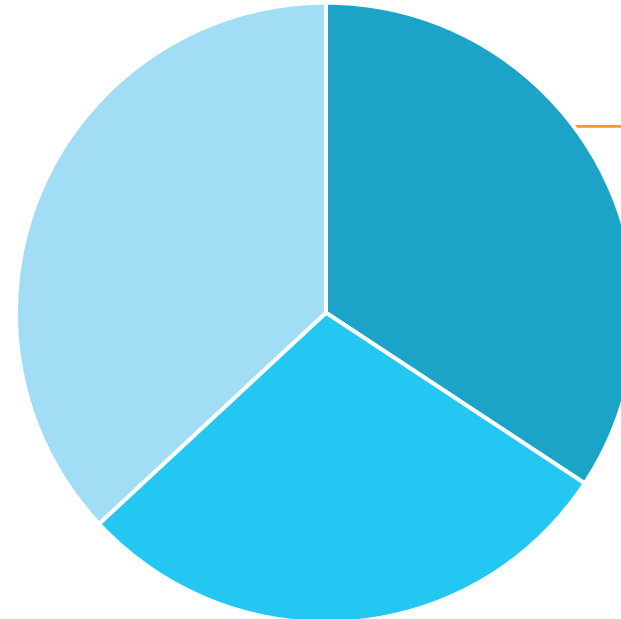
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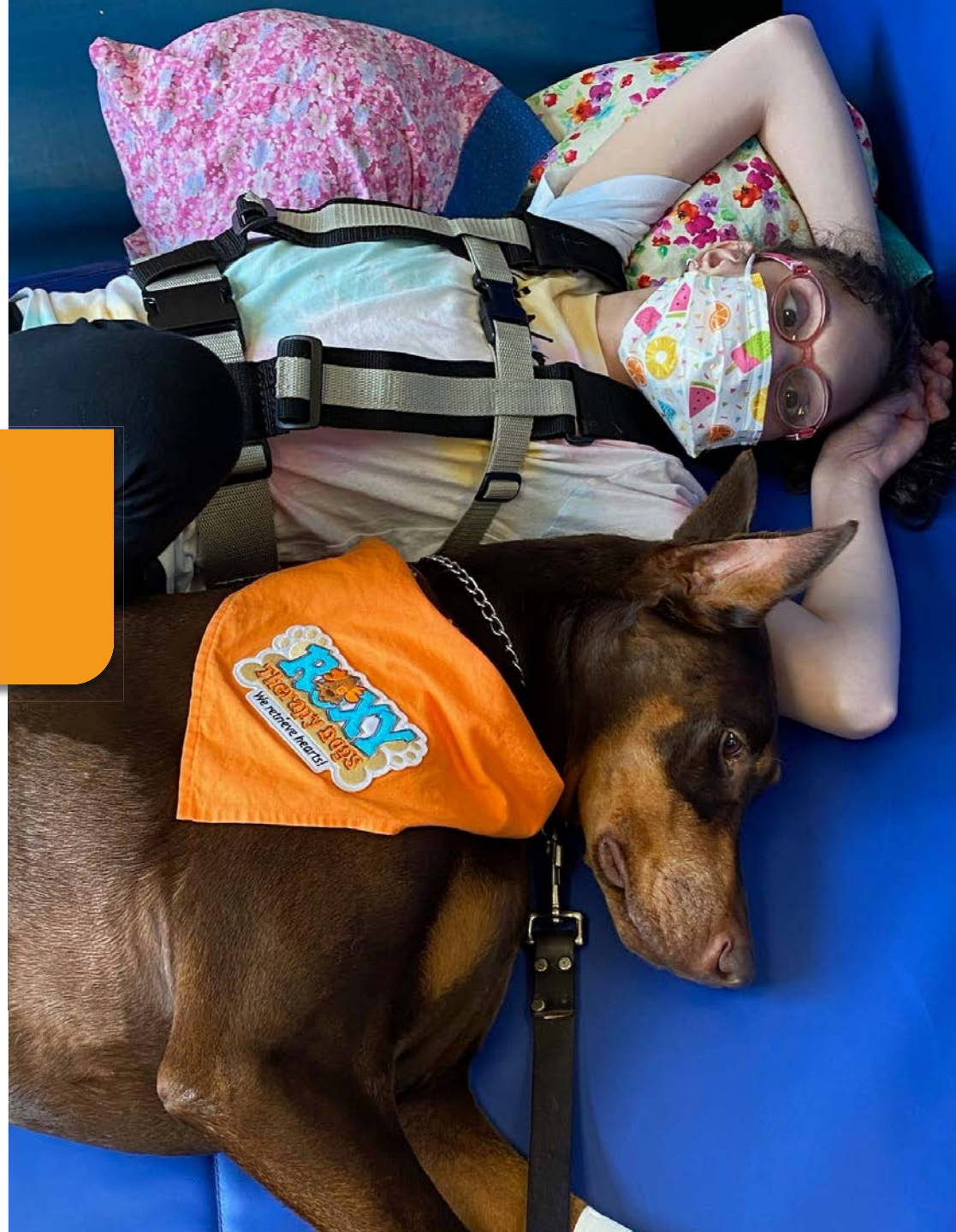
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What does Roxy do with the funds that are raised from our generous supporters if we are an all-volunteer organization?

Your donation covers:

- new therapy team recruitment
- administrative expenses
- insurance
- communications
- Roxy stuffed puppies for courthouse
- website maintenance
- electronic newsletters
- professional services
- and fees for special outreach events so that we can share Roxy Dogs with everyone in the community.



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With Or Without
A Dog



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