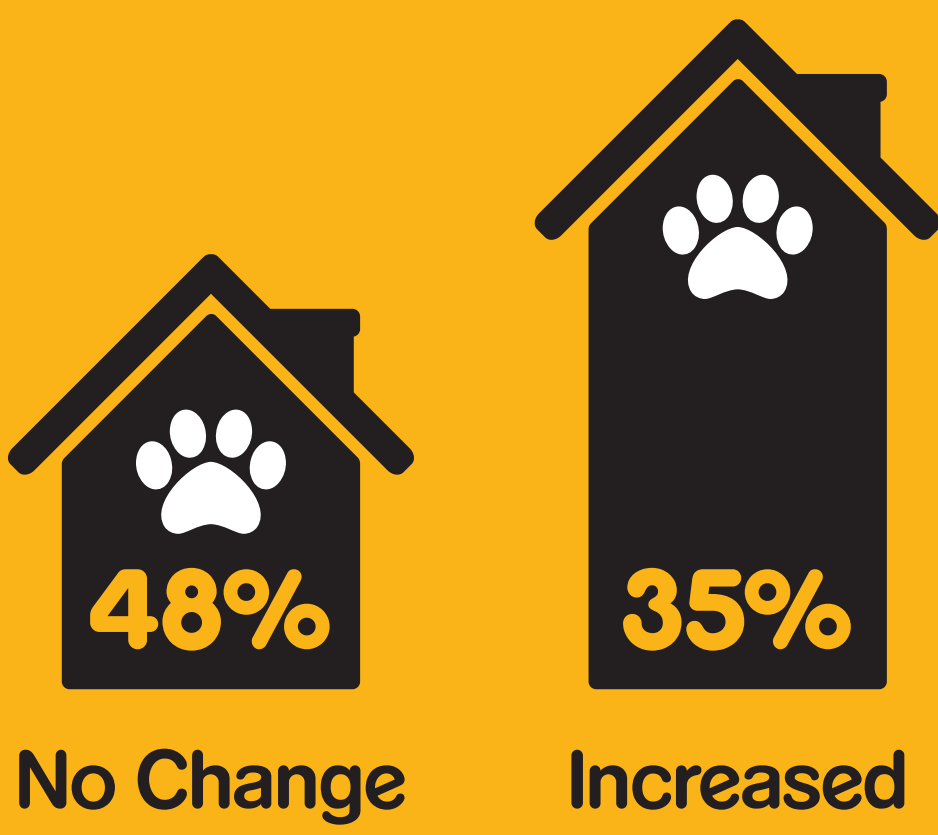


Even During COVID-19, Every Dog Deserves a Loving Home



Shelters and rescues are working tirelessly to help dogs find homes as the pandemic continues. To see how the landscape is changing and how we can help, PEDIGREE Foundation reached out again in August. Here's what we heard...



Many Dogs are Still Being Fostered

About half of shelters and rescues report their use of fostering has stayed the same since April. A third say it has increased.

Adoptions Continue with Creative Solutions

Only 26% of shelters and rescues said they're open for people to walk in and adopt. The rest are finding new ways to get dogs in homes.



Source shelter unable to partner due to regional or state travel restrictions.

Transport Programs are a Challenge for Some

Here are the biggest issues they shared.



Source shelter has a lack of pets available for transport.

Source shelter unable to partner due to financial reasons.

What We're Hearing

Community surrenders have increased exponentially. We're bogged down waiting for veterinary care. COVID-19 is exhausting. Fewer transport drivers want the exposure associated with travel. Affordable spay/neuter is the biggest problem for us during COVID-19. We're trying to transition to a fully foster-based rescue.

Shelters Still Need Support

Respondents again reported these challenges as top concerns for the months ahead:



Lack of fundraising opportunities to support the important work they do.



Lack of funds to sustain their day-to-day operating expenses, like rent and electricity.



Increasing demand due to more homeless pets.