

## DOG POPULATION MANAGEMENT (DPM)

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## Project Overview

Direct beneficiaries of this project will be the abandoned dogs and the local community





## **Objectives**

- a) Management of stray dog population
- b) Guaranteeing veterinary public health
- c) Management of infectious diseases and zoonoses
- d) Improving dog living conditions

"Shelters are the best answer, against the problem of stray animal overpopulation"

## **Moulton**

(distinguished shelter medicine specialist)



## **ANALYSIS**



#### Health

All stray animals are treated, spayed or neutered



## **Biosecurity**

All cleaning and disinfection protocols are strictly followed by professionals



#### Welfare

All stray animals are accommodated in optimal living conditions



#### **Technology**

Contemporary strategies related to the application of technology



#### **Monitoring**

All stray animals are monitored by veterinary professionals



#### **Evaluation**

Current issues related to stray animals are assessed in detail

## Our plan and purpose



#### Management

By applying international guidelines related to dog population management, we will give contemporary values to this essential project



#### Care

By following all steps of the care protocol, we will provide an immediate solution to all concerns related to animal stress and fear



#### **Diagnostics**

Using diagnostic tests, we will provide useful and important treatment decisions for all stray animals

# **02** Methodology

#### **Examination**

It will be ensured by the specialized assessment of the animal's health status and the application of appropriate diagnostic tests







#### **Prevention**

It will be ensured by the vaccination and parasitic treatment protocols

#### Care

It will be ensured through the full implementation of biosecurity and animal welfare protocols

















## Separation of VS areas



## Reception area 01



#### **Reception room**

This room is separated from the animal accommodation area and through it, the public can be informed for the work of the staff and the volunteers.

#### **Quiet room**

This room is used during the adoption process to convey the message related to the importance of this vital action.



## Veterinary area 02



#### **Examination room**

This room provides the accurate clinical examination of stray dogs and their full veterinary treatment, according to the highest standards of shelter medicine.

#### **Surgery room**

This room provides the realization of basic veterinary interventions and the application of more complicated surgical procedures, such as spay or neuter.





#### Kennel area

This area, in addition to the larger space, it also provides direct access to certain areas, which lead to other objects within the veterinary shelter.

#### Quarantine area

This area helps us for the isolation of sick animals, implementing all the principles required to maintain veterinary biosecurity.



#### Social area 04



#### Behavior area

This area provides a suitable environment, to help animals that are characterized by changes in their physiological behavior.

#### **Education area**

This area is important for the realization of our educational campaigns with children from different schools of our city.





## **Veterinary Shelter work focus**

- a) Preventive medicine protocols
- b) Cleaning and disinfection protocols
- c) Hand hygiene
- d) Visitor hygiene

- e) Animal movement inside the shelter
- f) Management of quarantined animals
- g) Management of isolated animals
- h) Management of the nursery area

## Factors that determine health policies





#### **Information**

Good information is the key of making the right decisions



#### **Treatment**

The selected treatment is based on the clear risk and benefit profile



#### **Monitoration**

Everyday monitoration provides us a complete picture of the current situation



#### **Protocol**

We operate according to a specific medical protocol from the first moment

## "Mobile Vet Squad"

























Year	2020	2021	2022
Treated dogs	2329	2936	2396

## "Vet Education"

















Year	2020	2021	2022
<b>Education Campaigns</b>	5	12	25

## "Adopt don't Shop"















Year

Adopted dogs



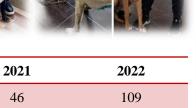
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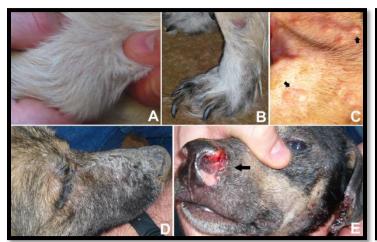


#### **Public health**

The biggest problem we have faced during the beginning of our work, is called Canine Leishmaniasis.



According to the data collected in 2016, 3 out of every 5 dogs were diagnosed positive to this infectious disease. Nowadays, this ratio is approximately 1 out of 5 stray dogs.

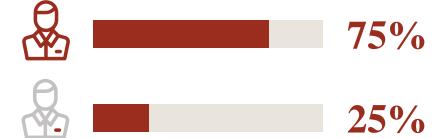






#### **Volunteer Commitment**

#### Female/Male



Age

20-35

Success rate 60%



## Volunteer program

It includes the volunteer agreement or contract, identification of duties, training for new duties and implementation of safety procedures

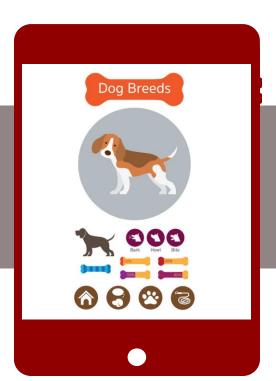


## **Desktop Software**

It will enable the continuous storage of data and their evaluation without the need of the Internet Connection

## **Tablet App**

It will enable all interested parties to access and assess the situation in real time





#### Mobile Web

It will enable the daily publication of images from the professional commitments and duties in the veterinary shelter

#### **Success rate and benefits**

#### **Current program**

Enables the best neuter or spay technics for all the stray dogs after their full examination and treatment, as well as accommodation under the most optimal conditions, in accordance with all contemporary principles of veterinary welfare 75%

#### **Previous program**

Enables the main neuter or spay technics for some of the stray dogs and their temporary treatment





# Thank you! Any questions?

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