

# TRAP-NEUTER-RELEASE-MANAGE (TNRM) PROGRAMME FOR STRAY DOGS

A humane, science-based approach to the sustainable management of our stray dog population in Singapore.

LAUNCHED ON  
**10 NOV  
2018**



STERILISE **70%**  
OF STRAY DOG  
POPULATION BY  
**2023**

## WHO ARE INVOLVED

TNRM Programme is led by AVS in collaboration with these organisations:

### Lead Partners in TNRM Programme



**ANIMAL & VETERINARY SERVICE**  
A cluster of NParks



**SPCA SINGAPORE**  
FRIENDS FOR LIFE®



**SINGAPORE VETERINARY ASSOCIATION**

### Animal Welfare Group (AWG) Partners



**ASD**  
Action for Singapore Dogs



**ANIMAL LOVERS LEAGUE**



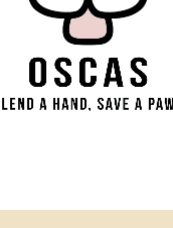
**Causes for Animals Singapore**  
*Exclusively Mongrels*



**MERCYLIGHT**



**CARES**



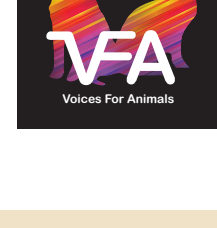
**OSCAS**  
LEND A HAND, SAVE A PAW



**PurelyAdoptions**



**SOSD**



**VFA**  
Voices for Animals

## WHAT IS TNRM?

The programme adopts a four-step humane and science-based approach:



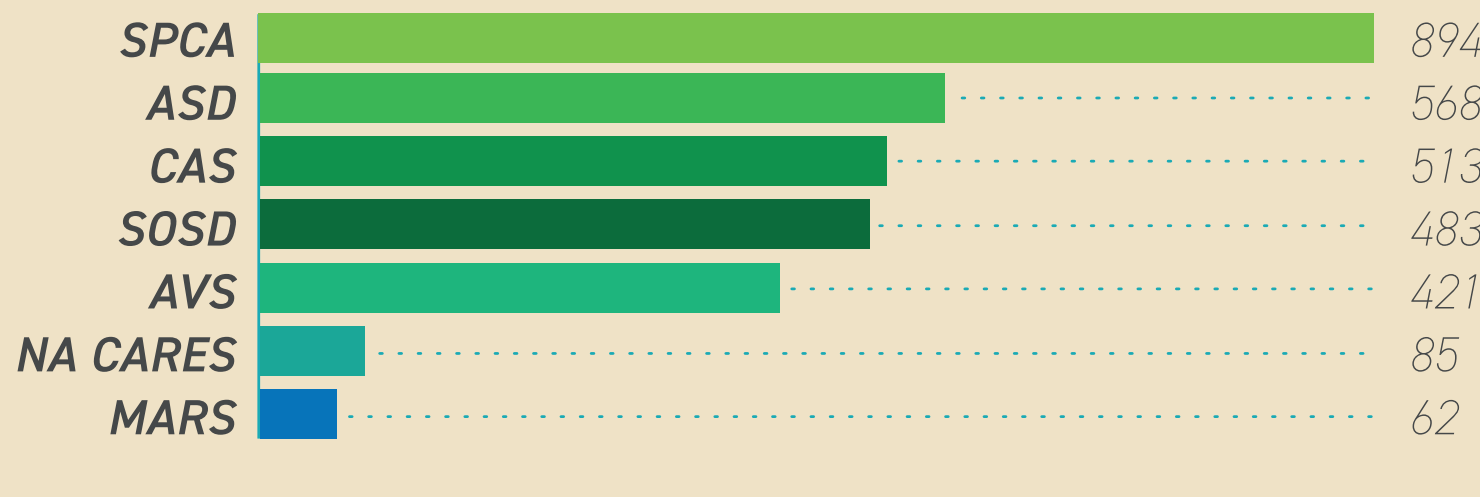
## TNRM PROGRESS IN 3 YEARS

We have trapped 3,116 dogs as of 31 Dec 2021,

with **>60% rehomed or fostered/sheltered.**

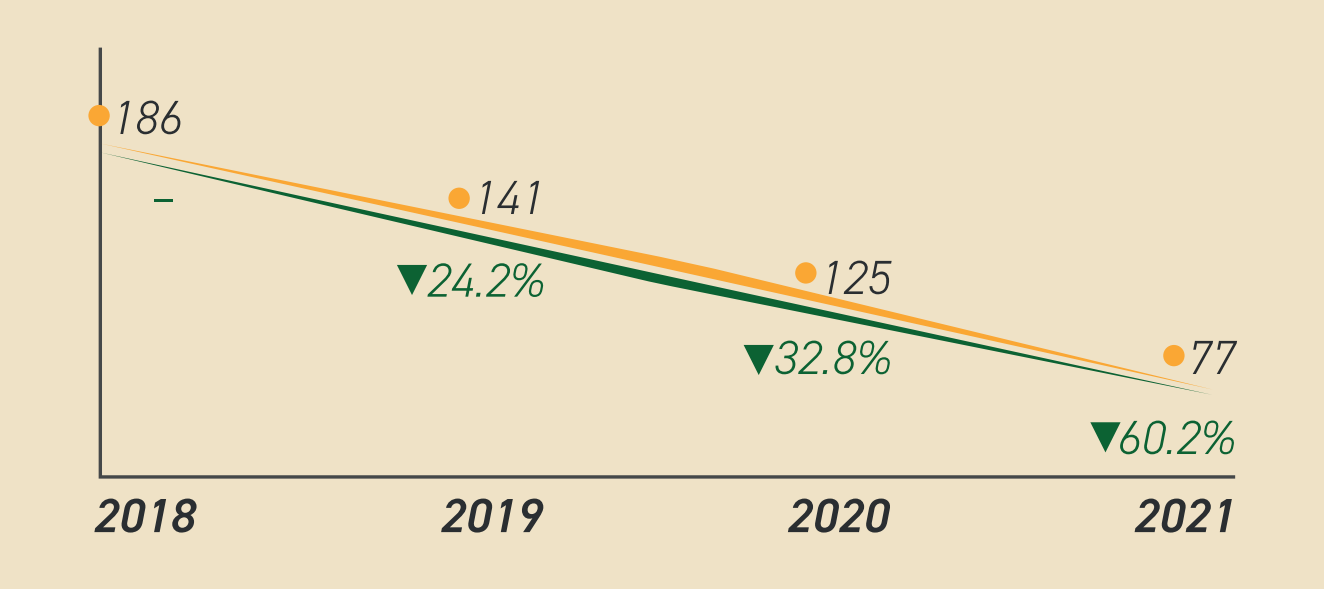
Most of the remaining dogs were released.

### NUMBER OF DOGS TRAPPED BY AWGs AND AVS



## REDUCED PUBLIC FEEDBACK

Public feedback volume on stray dogs has halved since the launch of TNRM.



● Monthly average feedback ▼ % reduction compared to 2018

**50%** public feedback is related to **Stray Dog Sightings.**

Other concerns include:



Public Safety

Barking

Feeding of Stray Dogs

## PROJECT ADORE

Under Project ADORE (ADOption and REhoming of dogs), local mixed-breed dogs can be rehomed to HDB flats. In Feb 2020, AVS increased the height limit for dogs to 55cm and removed the weight criterion to increase rehoming rates under a pilot. We are in the **10th year** of Project ADORE.

### ADORE AWG PARTNERS

Action for Singapore Dogs (ASD) • Causes for Animals (CAS)  
Exclusively Mongrels (EM) • MercyLight Animal Rescue & Sanctuary Limited (MARS)  
SOSD • Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA)

**1,951**  
DOGS  
REHOMED  
as of Dec 2021

more than  
**234**

DOGS  
rehomed since  
Mar 2020, under  
the new size criteria

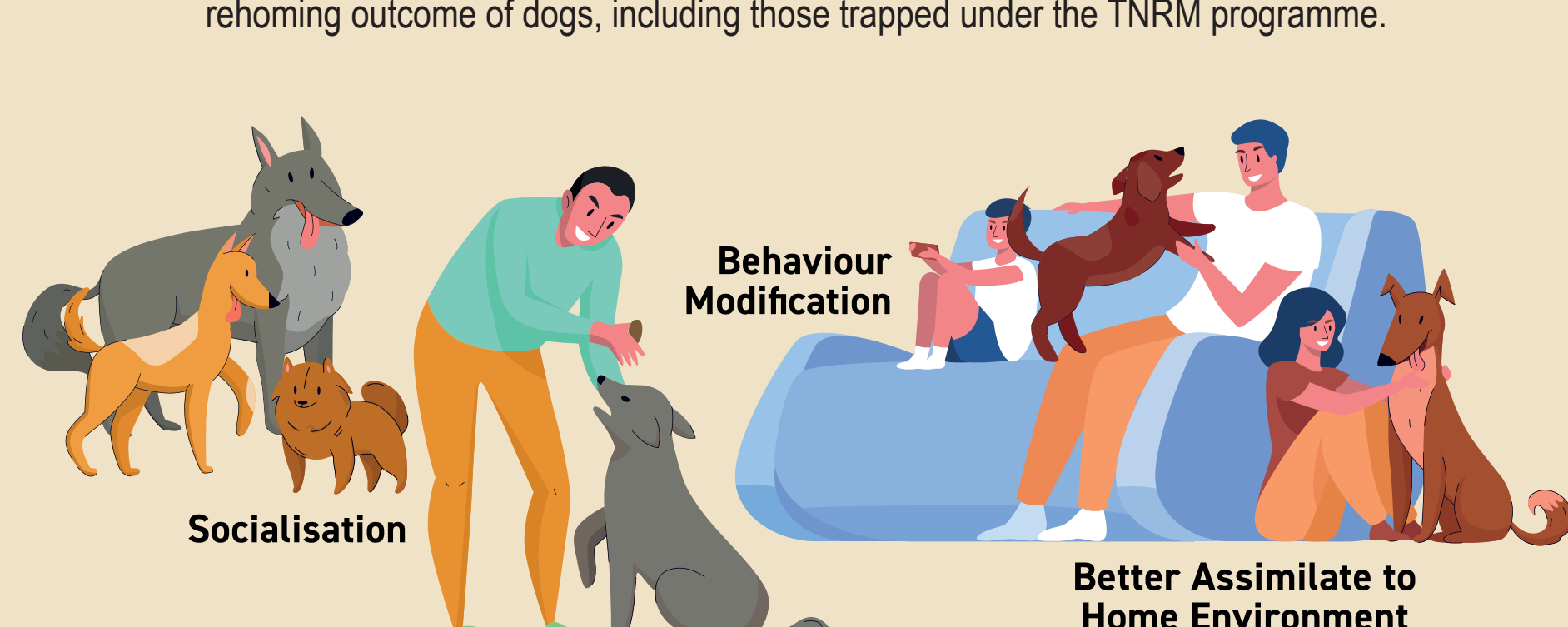
**48**  
DOGS  
REHOMED  
under the K9 scheme  
to SAF, SCDF and SPF  
K9 officers

**16**

DOGS  
rehomed to members  
of the public

### CANINE REHABILITATION

AVS opened a Centre for Animal Rehabilitation in March 2022 to improve rehoming outcome of dogs, including those trapped under the TNRM programme.



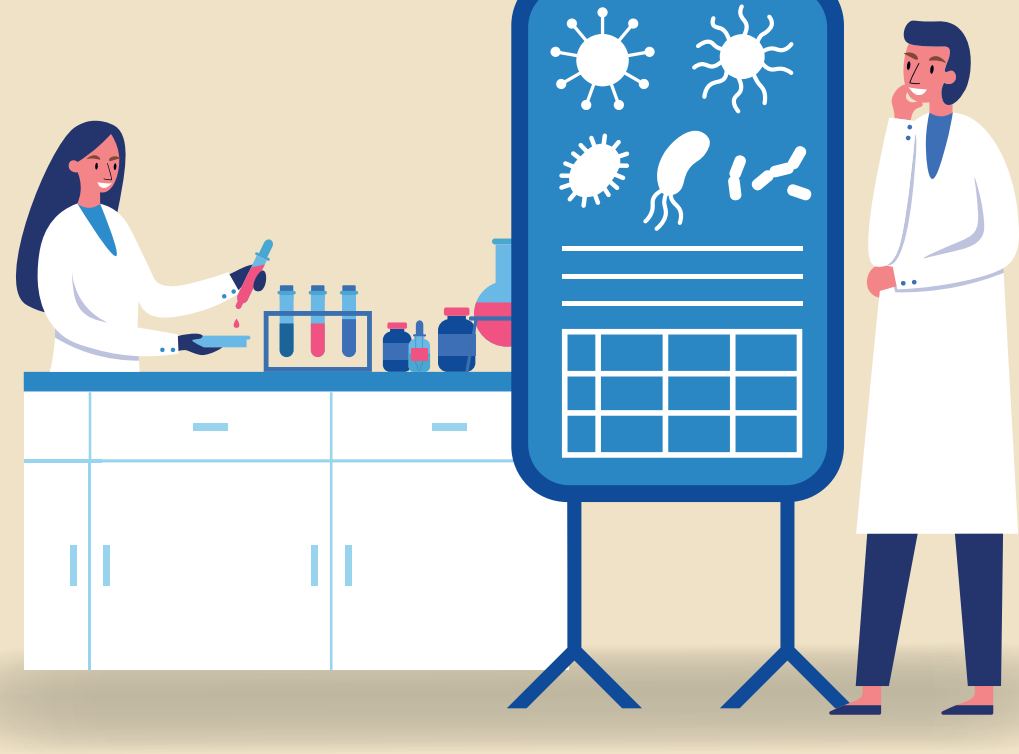
Socialisation

Behaviour Modification

Obedience Training

Better Assimilate to Home Environment

## BIO-SURVEILLANCE



Since 2020, AVS has been conducting bio-surveillance to monitor infectious diseases and antimicrobial resistance in local stray dogs.

This programme helps to establish a baseline health information on community dogs and aids early detection of diseases that may pose a risk to animal and/or public health.

## MOVING FORWARD

In 2022, AVS will continue to work with AWGs to intensify TNRM efforts in areas with significant feedback from the public.

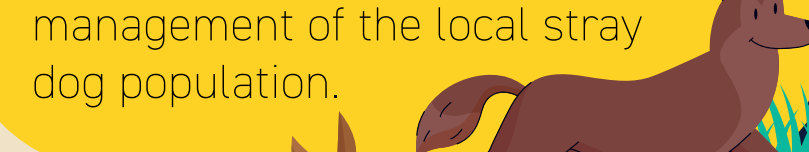


We will continue to work on improving rehoming outcomes for dogs using a science-based approach.



AVS has commenced a research study on the abundance and spatial ecology of free-roaming dogs in Singapore.

The study findings will help us better understand and refine our management of the local stray dog population.



For feedback on TNRM-related matters, please visit [www.avs.gov.sg/feedback](http://www.avs.gov.sg/feedback) or call the Animal Response Centre: 1800-476-1600