

**Gizmo's Gift
A Texas Non-Profit**

902 Kitty Hawk Rd. Ste 170 #115, Universal City, TX 78148

www.GizmosGift.org



Helping our nation's 4-legged heroes one dog at a time!

Military Working Dogs, Contract Working Dogs, Police, TSA, S&R and all other Law Enforcement K9s

Letter from the President

Friends and Supporters,

The past year has been an extremely active year for Gizmo's Gift. 2015 took us all around the nation, to the West Coast, East Coast, and of course our home state of Texas. We are currently supporting 27 retired working dogs who have served in our military and civilian law enforcement. Sadly three of our supported heroes, Bruno, Bojar and Hugo, passed away in 2015. We were also called upon and honored to help with the end of life expenses of retired MWD Drak.

I am humbled and honored to be able to work with our team members. They are passionate and dedicated to the mission and the general welfare of all of our supported heroes. Our team members in 2015 included Jill, Kamrien, Kathy, Jen, Selina, Ryan, Johnny, Jeanie, Olivia, Taylor, Jen, Eric, Marissa, Lora, and Grant. Together we have managed to build a solid foundation for this worthy cause and have provided much needed assistance and education to the working dog community. Our team is comprised of volunteers allowing us to focus our resources to the heroes we support.

In addition to the heroes and their families we serve, our board was busy in 2015 with efforts to strengthen our organization that included:

- Filing for and obtaining our 501(c)(3) Tax Exempt Status,
- Developing and building teams to help manage accounts and spread our mission,
- Increasing our events around town and the nation to help generate donations and support for our heroes and mission, and
- Educating the public on what our mission is and how we intend to complete it.

We believe in operating Gizmo's Gift as effectively and efficiently as possible. Gizmo's Gift provides services to a handful of our nation's working dogs and we are hoping that 2016 will bring even more heroes to GG. We could not offer the support we do to these heroes without the commitment of our volunteers. We also could not operate without the financial support of our donors. To those of you who have donated financially, or with your time and talents, we thank you and are so appreciative of your devotion.

To those of you who are not involved, I ask you to consider volunteering, and/or financially contributing to our mission and our heroes so we may continue to offer free medical care and transportation for our supported heroes. I would like to also encourage you to help spread our mission and educate your community on the heroic deeds of our nation's working dogs by sharing our posts, videos and photos via our social media pages with your local friends, coworkers, and community.

2016 is sure to be another great year for GG and our heroes. We have many events already planned for the coming year and we are also continuing to grow our local relationships and build new ones around the nation. Gizmo's Gift is in the process of growing and expanding with our team members, and we are all looking forward to a fantastic year serving our 4-legged heroes!

Lisa Phillips
President, CEO and Founder

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January – December 2015

Revenue:

Total Donations	<u>\$34,062.30</u>
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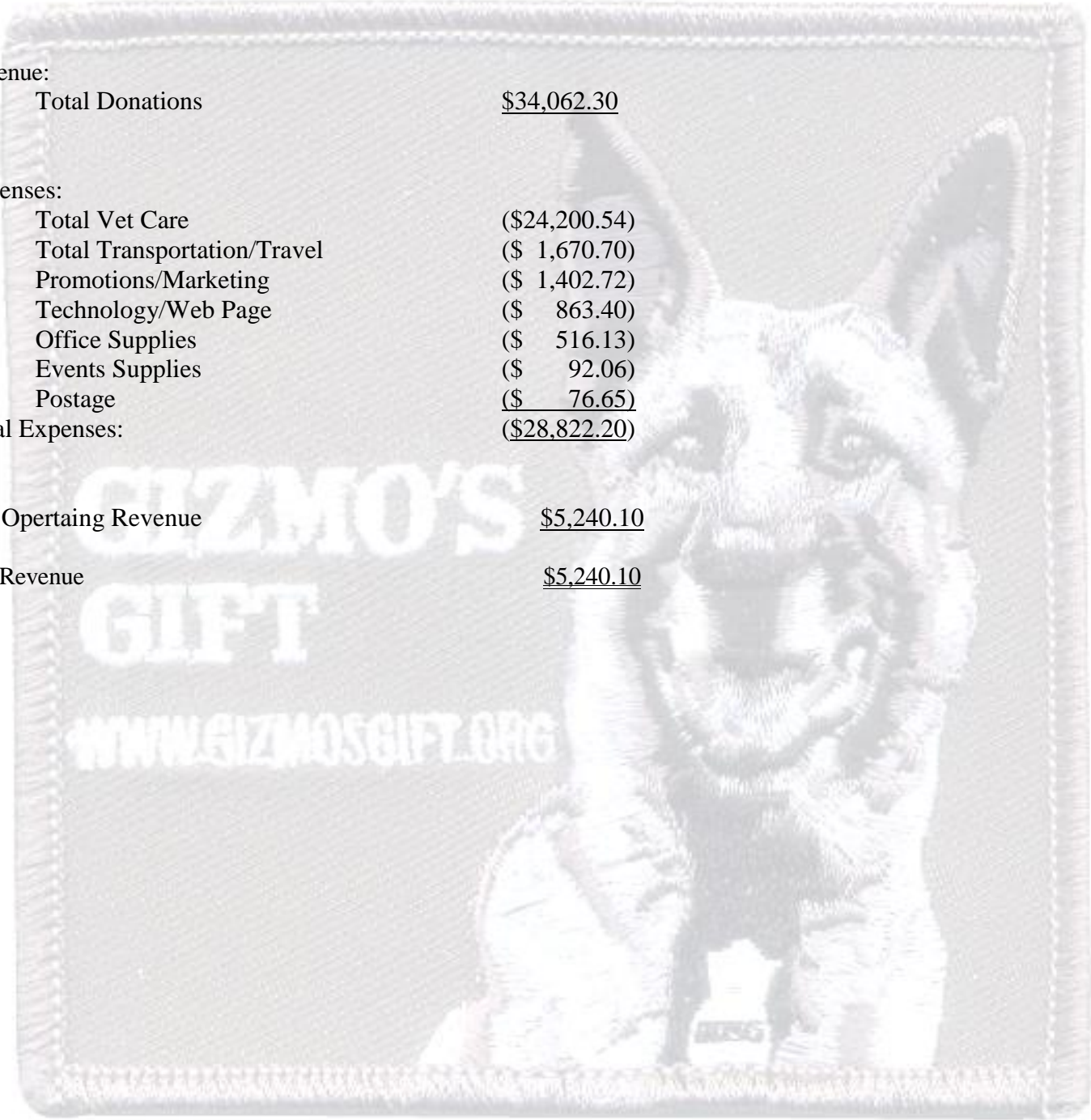
Expenses:

Total Vet Care	(\$24,200.54)
Total Transportation/Travel	(\$ 1,670.70)
Promotions/Marketing	(\$ 1,402.72)
Technology/Web Page	(\$ 863.40)
Office Supplies	(\$ 516.13)
Events Supplies	(\$ 92.06)
Postage	<u>(\$ 76.65)</u>

Total Expenses:	<u>(\$28,822.20)</u>
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Net Operating Revenue	<u>\$5,240.10</u>
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2015 Events

Winter:

February 27th "Team Dog" book signing with Mike Ritland in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended Mike Ritland's book signing at Lackland AFB, San Antonio, TX.

February 27th The Road to Freedom with Eva's Heroes and Morgan's Wonderland in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. This event was co-hosted by Eva's Heroes and Morgan's Wonderland in support of the 25th anniversary of the American's with Disability Act.

March 14th Morgan's Wonderland in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Jill and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke about MWDs, Gizmo's Gift and our supported heroes.

March 14th Pucks & Paws Rampage Game in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Selina, Lora and Lisa attended. Sgt. Rambo dropped the ceremonial puck to start the game. An information booth was set up and donations collected.

Spring:

April 26th Women's Expo in Stamford, CT: Gizmo's Gift was invited to share a booth space at the Women's Expo. Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended.

April 27th The National September 11th Memorial and Museum Run to Remember in NYC, NY: Gizmo's Gift was invited to share a booth with local and out of state working dog/animal organizations. Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke to the patrons about our mission and supported heroes. During this trip they also picked up retired MWD Xanny from Fort Myer, VA.

May 3rd: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa drove Xanny to Fort Hood to reunite him with his handler.

May 14th 802 SFS 1st Annual Police Week K9 Competition in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa were invited to be a guest judge at the vet tech station of the K9 competition. After the main event Lisa was able to share Gizmo's Gift's mission with all in attendance.

May 18th Photos with Irving Orthopedics & Sports Medicine, in Irving TX: Sgt. Rambo, Selina and Lisa traveled to Irving TX to accept a donation from and take photos with the doctors and staff of IOSM while thanking them for their donation to Gizmo's Gift.

May 23rd Bark in the Park: Talk About It! SA in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Eric, Marissa and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke about MWDs, Gizmo's Gift, and our supported heroes. Sgt. Rambo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

May 25th Memorial Day at Morgan's Wonderland in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended this event, set up and worked an info booth.

June 12th-14th The Alamo City Tattoo Expo in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Kamrien, Jill, and Lisa attended. This was our second year being invited to set up an info booth and collect donations at the tattoo expo.

Summer:

June 21st Early screening of the movie "Max": Lackland AFB, in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. They were able to have an info booth, speak to the public and press about Gizmo's Gift and show support for Max.

June 27th 22 Until None at the Alamo in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Candace, and Lisa attended this event to help raise awareness for veteran suicide.

June 27th Max viewing: IAVA hosted at the Alamo Draft House in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Candace and Lisa attended this event to help raise awareness for Gizmo's Gift and MWDs.

July 1st Visited Devine Library in Devine, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Kamrine, and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke to the youth about Gizmo's Gift and our supported heroes. Hosted by Debi with Devine TX Library.

July 4th The City of Schertz Parade in Schertz, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Kamrine, Lisa and honored friend Josephine Reaves (WWII Army Corps Nurse) attended and rode in the 4th of July parade.

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July 4th Morgan's Wonderland in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended, set up and worked an info booth.

July 11th Fun Run NC in Fayetteville, NC: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended, set up and worked an info booth.

July 25th K9 Olympics in Stores, CT: Sgt. Rambo, Jeanie, and Lisa attended, set up and worked an info booth.

August 6th Morgan's Wonderland – The filming of Rambo's tribute video for the Hero Dog Awards in the San Antonio area: Sgt. Rambo was nominated and won Military Dog of the Year with American Humane Association. A film crew came and filmed Rambo to tell his story from active duty to retired and advocating for all working dogs with Gizmo's Gift. Attended by Brandee, Nikki, and Lisa.

August 22nd MWD Appreciation picnic at Fort Belvoir, VA: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended, set up and worked an info booth.

September 11th SA Live in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. Lisa was interviewed about Gizmo's Gift, Sgt. Rambo and future events.

September 12th Mellow Mushroom and Gizmo's Gift's 1st Annual Salute to Our Heroes in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Kamrine, Kathy, and Lisa attended and co-hosted the event with Mellow Mushroom. We had 7 other organizations and vendors in attendance.

September 19th Hero Dog Awards in Hollywood, CA: Sgt. Rambo was honored as the 2015 Military Dog of the Year. Hosted by American Humane Association. Sgt. Rambo, Brandee and Lisa attended.

Fall:

October 4th Discovery Church in Cibolo, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke about Rambo's award and Gizmo's Gift.

October 2nd Honor supported hero Bruno: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa traveled to Edinburg, TX to honor supported hero Retired MWD Bruno after he passed; held at Memorial Funeral Home.

October 9th Live2Lead Conference in Beorne, TX at Nineteen Ten Church: Lisa attended.

October 21st Congressional briefing in Washington DC: Sgt. Rambo, Jeanie and Lisa attended along with all other Hero Dog winners. Lisa spoke in front of members of Congress in regards to animal welfare; hosted by American Humane Association.

October 26th The Today show in NYC, NY: Sgt. Rambo, Sara and Lisa attended along with all other Hero Dog winners and were on the Today show; hosted by American Humane Association.

October 29th Leap Frog Promotions Open House in Garden Ridge, TX : Sgt. Rambo, Jen, and Lisa attended.

November 7th U.C. Vets Day Parade in Universal City, TX: Sgt. Rambo was honored as the Grand Marshall of the parade. Jen, Ryan and Lisa also attended.

November 7th HEB Veteran's Day event in New Braunfels, TX: Sgt. Rambo, Jen and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke at the event.

November 11th Veteran's Day event at Southwest Preparatory School Northwest Elementary in San Antonio, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke with about 100 students.

November 11th Northeast Lakeview College Veteran's Day event in Universal City, TX: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke to those in attendance about MWDs, and Gizmo's Gift.

November 17th Hockanum Elementary School in East Hartford, CT: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke with the students about MWDs, Gizmo's Gift, and our supported heroes.

November 18th Goodwin Elementary School in East Hartford, CT: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke with the students about MWDs, Gizmo's Gift, and our supported heroes.

November 23rd Civil Air Patrol at Brainard Airport, in Hartford, CT: Sgt. Rambo, Jen and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke with the cadets about MWDs, Gizmo's Gift and our supported heroes.

November 25th Pitkin Elementary School in East Hartford, CT: Sgt. Rambo and Lisa attended. Lisa spoke with the students about MWDs, Gizmo's Gift and our supported heroes.