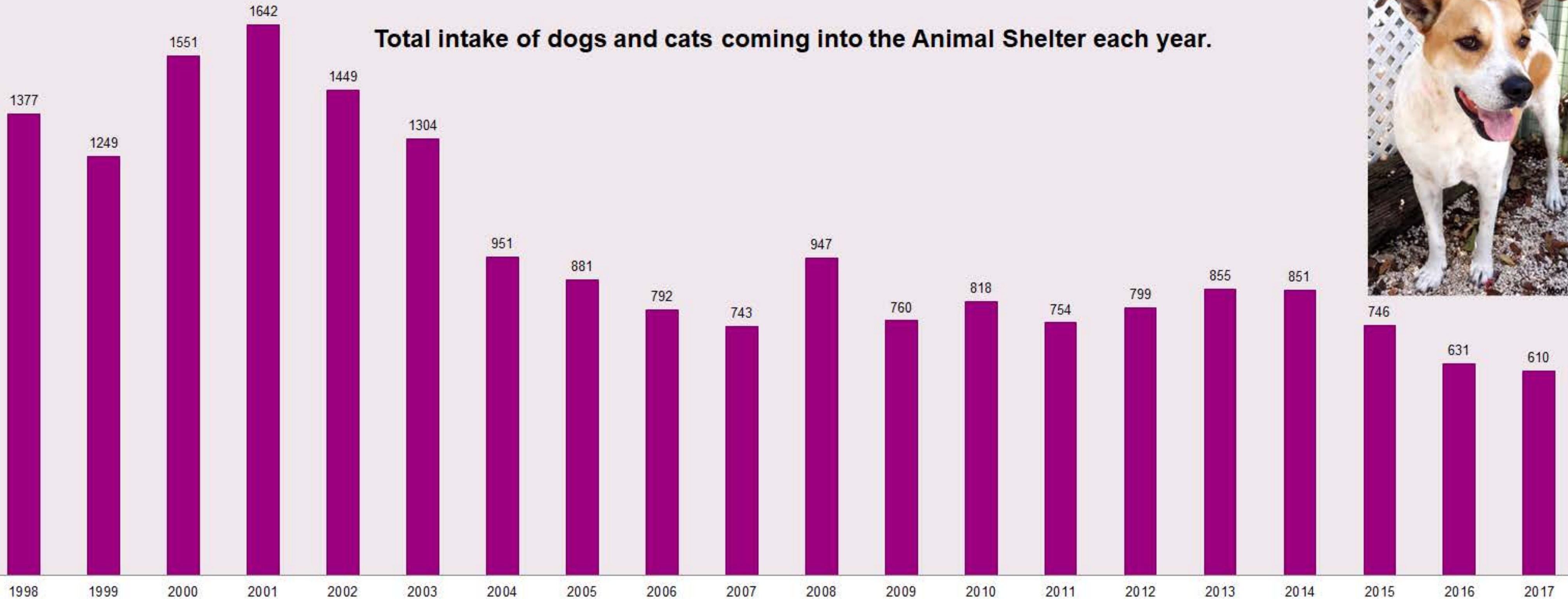


Total intake of dogs and cats coming into the Animal Shelter each year.



This chart shows the effect of providing **"Free Spays and Neuters"** to the citizens owned animals living in our service area beginning with the first full year, **2001**. After 5 years, the total intake numbers were reduced by almost 50% from the high of 1,642. This reduction is a direct effect of providing this free service to the community. We believe that animal shelters should have this goal of reducing the intake numbers, not by turning animals away, or other gimmicks, but by providing spays and neuters to the community owned animals.