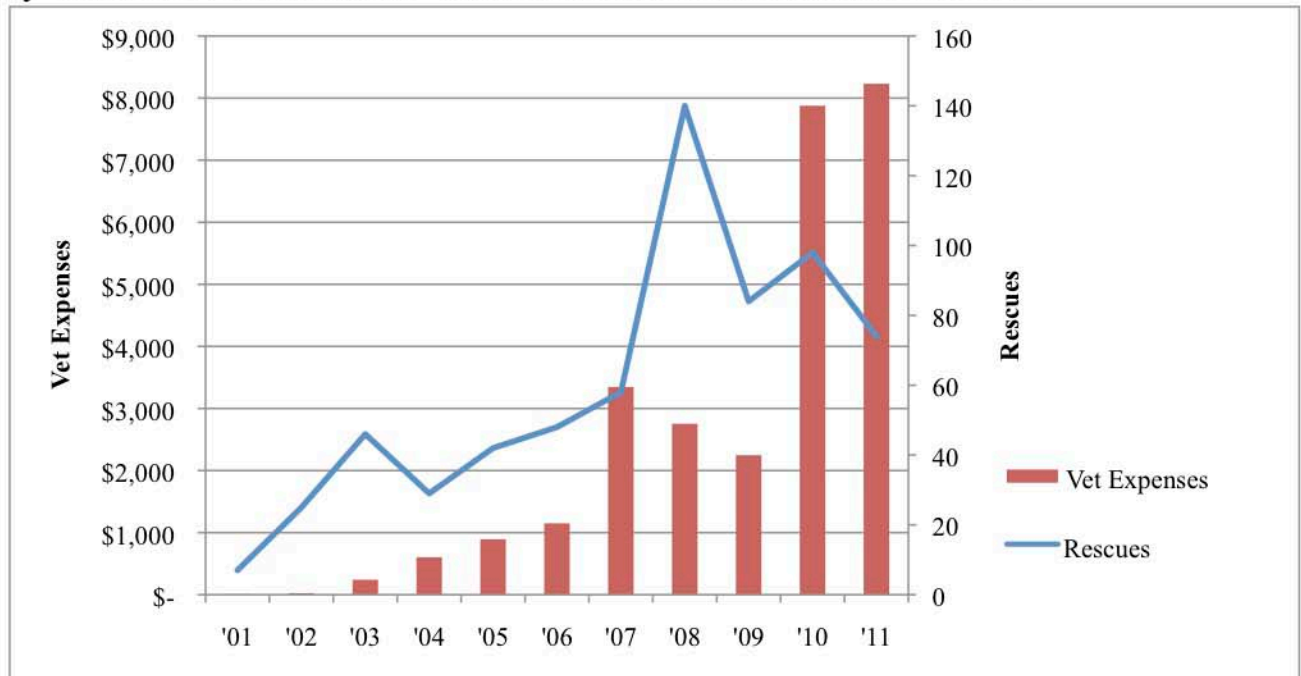


Figure 2.  
 Veterinary Expenses Incurred  
 by Chicken Run Rescue for Urban Rescues as Indicator of Poor Care



**CRR's mission regarding vet care:** *To improve the quality of medical care available to chickens by providing the very best veterinary interventions available for the birds in our care. By investing in the services of skilled and supportive veterinarians, a body of knowledge, experience and respect for the birds is being built that will help other chickens in the future.*

**Common health issues encountered with CRR rescues requiring vet care:**

- **Inadequate Shelter:** frostbite, hypothermia, heat stress, infectious disease, injury, parasites, foot problems, stress
- **Improper Food:** emaciation, dehydration, nutritional deficiencies, toxicity, feather loss, reproductive disorders
- **Poor Breeding Practices:** deformities, organ failure, neurological disorders, blindness, infectious disease, mutilation (debeaking, pinioning)
- **Overcrowding:** stress, injury from aggression, over mating, feather loss, infectious diseases, injury, parasites, lack of access to shelter, food and water, rest
- **Caging:** feather loss, stress, injury