

# May 2020

## ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT



### Animal Services News

- The live outcome rate for May was 94.9 percent.
- A total of 189 animals were adopted (141 dogs, 46 cats, one bird and one small pet).
- A total of 81 dogs and cats were returned to their owners (RTOs).

### Animal Protection

- Animal Protection Officers (APOs) returned 47 animals to their owners in the field during the month of May.
- Officers handed out 30 fencing assistance applications, implanted two microchips and impounded 241 injured animals and more than half of those were transferred to Austin Wildlife Rescue.
- Officers entered 231 rabies exposure reports and submitted 33 specimens for rabies testing. Three bats tested positive.
- Wildlife APO received 44 coyote-related activities:
  - 21 sightings
  - 5 incidents
  - 5 wild sick reports of mange
  - 5 wild injured
  - 3 encounters
  - 3 wild speak
  - 1 observation
  - 1 investigate exposure
    - No confirmed incident- dog escaped yard and came back with small puncture wound.
- Out of 44 coyote related reports, 29 fell within the reported behavior types (sighting, encounter, and incident).
- Incidents: Pets and livestock were a factor in all activities
  - Two incidents involved a coyote on-camera taking an unattended cat
  - One incident involved a coyote injuring an off leash dog in a greenbelt
  - One incident involved a coyote that injured a cat in a front yard
  - One incident involved a coyote that took chickens from a backyard
- Encounters: Pets were a factor in all activities
  - All encounters involved a coyote displaying flushing behavior with dog and citizen.

### Volunteer, Foster and Rescue Programs



- A total of 57 volunteers donated 1,410 hours, primarily as fosters, in May.
- A total of 368 families provided foster care and a total of 155 animals were adopted directly from foster care.
- There are 1860 approved fosters in GivePulse, and 257 new foster applications were processed.
- There are currently 367 animals in 285 different foster homes.
- 108 live outcomes were attributed to 14 AAC partners:
  - 57 cats
  - 51 dogs
  - 1 ferret

### **Veterinary Services**

- Shelter veterinarians were medically responsible for 587 animals; 495 in foster care and 92 on shelter grounds.
- Veterinarians addressed 95 emergency cases, performed 12 orthopedic surgeries and 18 other specialty surgeries including enucleations, amputations, mass removals, hernia repair, wound repairs and dentals. A total of 478 spay/neuter surgeries were performed and 765 vet exams.

