

# July 2022

## AUSTIN ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT

### Animal Services News

- The live outcome rate for July was 96.73 percent.
- A total of 1,240 animals were brought to the shelter which included 697 dogs, 460 cats, 47 wild animals, 12 rabbits, 11 guinea pigs, five fish, three domestic birds, and one snake.
- A total of 681 animals were adopted (363 cats, 313 dogs, and 5 small pets).
- A total of 108 dogs, cats, and birds were returned to their owners (RTOs and RTO-Adopt).

### Animal Protection

- Animal Protection Officers (APOs) returned 26 animals to their owners in the field.
- Officers handed out 21 fencing assistance applications and implanted 7 microchips.
- Officers impounded 182 injured animals and delivered 103 wildlife animals to Austin Wildlife Rescue.
- Officers entered 202 rabies exposure reports and submitted 47 specimens for rabies testing. Four bats tested positive for rabies and an additional six were considered non-negative due to being too decomposed to test.
- 6 total coyote related activities (for Travis County)
  - 4 sightings
  - 1 encounters
  - 1 incidents
- Out of 6 coyote related activities, 6 fell within the reported behavior types (sighting, encounter, and incident)
- Encounters:
  - 1 encounter involved a coyote attacking a domestic animal
- Incidents:
  - 1 incident involved a coyote attacking a domestic animal

### Volunteer, Foster, and Rescue Programs

- A total of 351 volunteers donated 5,113 hours of volunteer service.



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- The Volunteer Coordinators held five orientations for new volunteers in July, introducing 211 people to the shelter programs. 82 new volunteers attended their first training or mentor shifts in June.
- 26 Community Service Restitution individuals performed 123 hours of laundry, dishes, and other duties as assigned.
- 162 animals were adopted directly from foster care.
- More than 280 different individuals/families fostered.
- 254 new foster applications were processed. *(This number does not include walk-in / in person applications that were processed.)*
- There are currently 1,142 members (approved fosters) in the foster program's GivePulse group.
- 10 pets died or were euthanized in foster care.
- As of August 2, 6:55 a.m., there were 412 animals in foster care.
- 197 animals were transferred to 21 in-state AAC Rescue Partners (compared to 244 animals for July 2021).
- 65 dogs were transported to 10 out-of-state AAC Rescue Partners
- One owner surrender appointment was posted to local AAC Rescue partners for intake deferral option.

### Vet Services

- AAC vets performed 1,119 exams.
- AAC vets spayed/neutered 617 animals.
- Zero visibly pregnant animals were spayed.
- 47 emergency cases were treated at AAC.
- 31 emergencies were transferred from the emergency clinic.
- The emergency clinic bill for May was estimated at \$40,000.
- Four animals received orthopedic surgeries.
- 33 animals received other specialty surgeries (enucleations, amputations, mass removals, hernia repair, wound repairs, dentals, etc).
- Seven cruelty cases were treated.



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- 95 animals were pulled by Austin Pets Alive! for medical reasons (6 medical urgent, 30 medical attention, 40 neonatal, 11 panleukopenia, four parvo, four pregnant).

### Pet Resource Center

- Staff handed out over 3,175 basic pet items (including food, crates, leashes, etc) to over 539 people.
- Six dogs with behavior issues were deferred.

### Outreach

- 86 cats were TNR'd through Community Cats.

### Staffing

- Due to the current hiring environment and the volume of background checks processed by the City, onboarding a new employee from the date of a position being posted takes 6-8 weeks.
- 12 unstaffed regular positions
  - 1 Animal Care
    - 1 candidate pending background checks
  - 2 Pet Resource Center
    - 2 candidates pending background check
  - 3 Vet Services
    - 1 candidate pending background check
    - 1 position interviewing 8/9/22
  - 6 Animal Protection
    - Hiring manager is currently reviewing applications

### Events/Marketing

- Events
  - 7/2 Keep Austin Dogs Weird event with surrounding shelters
    - Adoptions:
      - Large dogs: 8 (3 with stays over 30 days)
      - Small dogs/puppies: 11
      - Adult cats: 5
      - Kittens: 18
    - 1 behavior dog left for foster
  - 7/22 Adopt Late Night

	Cats	Dogs	Rabbits
Adopted and left between 4-9 pm	3		1
Adopted pending sx	2	5	

- 7/24 Yellow Jacket Social Club



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- 7/28 Austin Eastciders Collaboratory
- 7/31 Dog Days at Zilker Botanical Gardens
- Social Media
  - Facebook reach: 790,599
    - New likes: 769
  - Instagram reach: 171,105
    - New likes: 1,229
  - ~104 posts on each platform
    - Missing my people: 12
    - Event promotions: 7
    - Longstay dog features: 4
    - Cactus Cats: 4
    - Space crisis: 2
    - Emergency foster plea: 4
    - Volunteer recognition/recruitment: 4
    - Foster recognition/recruitment: 3
    - Home To Home (supported self-rehoming): 6
    - Heat info: 2
    - At-risk: 2
    - Total adoptable pets mentioned/featured: 114

