

# April 2020

## ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT



### Animal Services News

- The live outcome rate for April was 95.1 percent.
- A total of 186 animals were adopted (132 dogs, 53 cats and one bird).
- A total of 74 dogs and cats were returned to their owners (RTOs).

### Animal Protection

- Animal Protection Officers (APOs) returned 49 animals to their owners in the field during the month of April.
- Officers handed out 48 fencing assistance applications, implanted seven microchips and impounded 96 injured animals.
- A total of 54 animals were transferred to Austin Wildlife Rescue.
- Officers entered 258 rabies exposure reports and submitted 57 specimens for rabies testing. Seven bats tested positive.
- Wildlife APO received 17 coyote-related activities:
  - 5 sightings
  - 5 wild sick reports of mange
  - 3 incidents
  - 2 encounters
  - 1 wild injured
  - 1 observation
- Out of 17 coyote related reports, 10 fell within the reported behavior types (sighting, encounter, and incident).
- Incidents: Pets were a factor in all activities
  - Two incidents involved a coyote suspected of killing an unattended cat.
  - One incident involve a coyote injuring a dog in a fenced backyard.
- Encounters: Pets were a factor in all verified activities
  - Two encounters involved a coyote displaying flushing behavior with a dog and citizen.

### Volunteer, Foster and Rescue Programs

- A total of 60 volunteers donated 1,957.58 hours, primarily as fosters, in April.



- A total of 420 families provided foster care and a total of 186 animals were adopted directly from foster care.
- There are 1758 approved fosters in GivePulse, and 1548 new foster applications were processed.
- There are currently 394 animals in 329 different foster homes.
- 68 live outcomes were attributed to 14 AAC partners:
  - 28 cats
  - 39 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.

