

# October 2021

## ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT



### Animal Services News

- The live outcome percentage for October was 97.8 percent.
- A total of 1,249 animals were brought to the shelter which included 574 dogs, 607 cats, 62 wild animals and 6 birds.
- A total of 734 animals were adopted (315 dogs, 390 cats, 1 bird, and 28 small pets).
- A total of 139 dogs and cats were returned to their owners (RTOs and RTO-Adopt).

### Animal Protection

- Animal Protection Officers (APOs) returned 35 animals to their owners in the field during the month of October.
- 2 microchips were implanted in the field.
- Officers handed out 42 fencing assistance applications, impounded 142 injured animals and delivered 110 wildlife animals to Austin Wildlife Rescue.
- Officers entered 221 rabies exposure reports and submitted 45 specimens for rabies testing. 8 positive results, all bats.
- 31 total coyote related activities
  - 14 sightings
  - 2 observations
  - 6 wild sick (mange)
  - 3 encounters
  - 6 incidents
- Out of 31 coyote related activities, 23 fell within the reported behavior types (sighting, encounter, and incident).
- Encounters: Encounters and Incidents: Pets were a factor in all activities. 44% of encounters/incidents involved mange coyotes
  - 2 encounters involved coyotes chasing unattended cats in yards (no attack)
  - 1 encounter involved a coyote entering a yard at night while a dog and human were present (no attack)
  - 2 incidents involved a coyote injuring unattended livestock in yards
  - 3 incidents involved coyotes taking unattended cats in yards
  - 1 incident involved coyotes taking an unattended dog in a natural space
- 44 wildlife calls were made that involved activity by raccoon, bat, snake, opossum, fox, bird, skunk, rabbit, turtle, coyote, squirrel, and unknown.

### Volunteer, Foster and Rescue Programs



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- A total of 166 volunteers donated 1,555 hours during October.
- The Volunteer Coordinators held 6 orientations for new volunteers in October, introducing 138 people to the shelter programs. 28 new volunteers attended their first training or mentor shifts in October.
- More than 200 families provided foster care, and a total of 158 animals were adopted directly from foster care.
- There are 1,325 approved fosters in GivePulse, and 90 new foster applications were processed.
- There are currently 273 animals in foster homes.
- 251 animals were transferred to 30 AAC rescue partners (This data is for our rescue program only and does not include transport data).
  - 133 cats
    - 0 to Austin Humane Society (AHS), also 21 SNR cat Austin Humane Society to (AHS)
    - 141 to Austin Pets Alive! (APA!), including 104 neonates to Austin Pets Alive! (APA!)
    - 0 cats to other partners
  - 75 dogs
    - 2 to AHS
    - 19 to APA!
    - 54 dogs to other partners

### Vet Services

- It is our policy to vaccinate every animal on intake, unless not medically advised.
- Emergencies cases treated at AAC- 59
- Emergencies transferred from Emergency Clinic- 60
- Spay/Neuter surgeries performed – 565
- Community cats through SNR – 19
- S/N surgeries for community owned pets through Emancipet -
- Orthopedic surgeries - 8
- Other specialty surgeries - enucleations, amputations, mass removals, hernia repair, wound repairs, dentals, etc. – 24
- Cruelty cases- 1
- Vet exams – 1014
- Medically responsible for 998 animals. 730 animals at AAC and 268 in foster care.



**Pet Resource Center**

- PRC staff has handed out 1,810 basic items including food, beds, leashes, etc and deferred 15 dogs with behavior issues.
- 193 found animal reports and 270 lost animal reports were filed.
- 165 new subscribers to the Lost and Found ATX text programs.

