Animal Services News

- The live outcome percentage for April was 96.6 percent.
- A total of 889 animals were brought to the shelter which included 420 dogs, 377 cats and 61 wild animals.
- A total of 304 animals were adopted (226 dogs, 78 cats).
- A total of 101 dogs and cats were returned to their owners (RTOs and RTO-Adopt).

Animal Protection

- Animal Protection Officers (APOs) returned 53 animals to their owners in the field during the month of April.
- Officers handed out 31 fencing assistance applications, implanted nine microchips and impounded 206 injured animals.
- Officers entered 255 rabies exposure reports and submitted 58 specimens for rabies testing. Four tested positive for rabies.
- 39 total coyote related activities
  - 25 sightings
  - 6 wild sick reports of mange
  - 3 incidents
  - 2 observations
  - 1 wild speak
  - 1 wild injured
  - 1 encounter
- Out of 39 coyote related activities, 29 fell within the reported behavior types (sighting, encounter, and incident).
- Encounters: Wildlife were a factor in this activity
  - 1 encounter involved a coyote injuring a raccoon and opossum in front of resident
- Incidents: Pets and livestock were a factor in these of the activities
  - 1 incident involved two young coyotes chasing resident and dog
  - 1 incident involved a coyote taking free-roaming chickens in fenced backyard
  - 1 incident involved a coyote injuring a dog when being let outside in the unfenced front yard

Volunteer, Foster and Rescue Programs
April 2021 Animal Services Report

• A total of 63 volunteers donated 1,372 hours during April.

• Volunteers assisted with our first onsite microchip clinic this year, directing traffic flow, making pet ID tags, and photographing the pets for identification purposes.

• More than 200 families provided foster care, and a total of 65 animals were adopted directly from foster care.

• There are 1,047 approved fosters in GivePulse, and 107 new foster applications were processed.

• There are currently 367 animals in foster homes.

• 207 animals were transferred to 26 AAC rescue partners:
  o 110 cats
    ▪ 2 to Spay-Neuter-Return program with Austin Humane Society (AHS)
    ▪ 105 to Austin Pets Alive! (APA!)
    ▪ 3 to small partners
  o 93 dogs
    ▪ 9 to APA!
    ▪ 46 to AHS
    ▪ 39 to Small partners
  o 4 Other Species
    ▪ 3 baby ducks for housing
    ▪ 1 Guinea pig for housing

• Rescue pull numbers for April 2021, in comparison to the same time last year, reflects a significant increase on all levels. Increased partner access to the shelter grounds helped support an increase in overall pulls of 204 percent.

• Small partner engagement shows a 49 percent decrease when compared to pulls in March 2020.

Pet Resource Center

• PRC staff has handed out 3,437 basic items including food, beds, leashes, etc.

• 179 found animal reports and 254 lost animal reports were filed.

• 210 new subscribers to the Lost and Found ATX text programs.
The chatbot feature on the Austin Animal Center website had 1,060 conversations with community members who were looking for resources and information.

One dog was returned to their owners through the AAC Stray of the Day Facebook post.

**Vet Services**

- Emergencies cases treated at AAC - 121
- Spay/Neuter surgeries performed - 289
- Orthopedic surgeries - 6
- Other specialty surgeries - enucleations, amputations, mass removals, hernia repair, wound repairs, dentals, etc. - 28
- No cruelty cases
- Vet exams - 758