

PREVENTING COYOTE CONFLICTS

How to keep Coyotes out of your yard and keep your Pets safe

Coyotes live in Austin's urban areas and play a vital role in our neighborhoods by feeding on rodents and regulating smaller predators. Coyotes are drawn to neighborhoods for three reasons: food, water, and shelter. The following steps can prevent coyotes from being attracted to your home.

- Don't leave pet food outside. Feed pets indoors or remove food immediately after pet has eaten. Keep your pets inside at night! It is best to keep cats inside at all times.
- Accompany small dogs outside and keep cats indoors. (Attacks on unattended small pets happen during the daytime too!)
- Keep your trash and compost secure.
- Never feed or try to tame a coyote.
- If approached or followed by a coyote wave arms, make noise. Be "Big," "Bad" and "Loud."

We can peacefully coexist with coyotes. For more information visit:

<http://www.austintexas.gov/department/coyotes-central-texas>