

June 2017 Animal Services Report

Animal Center News

- The live outcome rate was 96.2 percent.
- A total of 745 dogs and cats were adopted.
- Maddie's Fund Executive Fellows, Miranda Hitchcock and Sheila Kouhkan, were at the Austin Animal Center (AAC), June 19 – June 30 for their two week orientation period to AAC operations. For 10 week periods over the next year, the Fellows will go back and forth between AAC and Austin Pets Alive!, striving for a deeper understanding of operations and how everything works together to make Austin No Kill, helping with projects to further strategic initiatives and gaining leadership experience to use in helping other communities achieve No Kill.
- Annabelle, a puppy rescued from a hot car in Manor on June 17, generated multiple, local media requests and was featured in national and international news. The Animal Services Office was not involved in the investigation and only provided sheltering services.
- Several adoption promotions were conducted in June: Hula Hounds, June 9 – 12, resulted in 107 adoptions; Freedom Fridays, June 23, saw 23 adoptions; and Freedom Fridays, June 30, resulted in 20 adoptions. There also were "name your own fee" adoption specials after 2 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- The Pet Resource Center provided resources and supplies for 52 animals; in partnership with the Austin Humane Society, 72 cats participated in the Spay Neuter Return (SNR) program; and 61 fewer dogs were brought in "over the counter" when compared to June 2016 data – resulting in a 4 percent decline in dog intake.
- The Neighborhood Level Program concentrated on zip code 78702, with the primary focus on what to do with found kittens. More than 440 service calls were completed, resulting in 185 contacts with residents and 139 educational opportunities.
- Interim Chief Animal Services Officer Lee Ann Shenefiel was elected to the Best Friends National No Kill Steering Committee.

Field Services (Animal Protection and Outreach)

- Animal Protection ran 2,892 activities, issued 108 citations, assisted with 43 return to owners in the field, and impounded 388 animals.
- Outreach and Education participated in two family-oriented fairs; created and distributed the Emancipet free clinic schedule to 55 local, distribution partners; participated in three television shows on microchipping and kittens with Univision; and participated in two radio interviews.
- A total of 147 ID tags were distributed (Montopolis, June 21, 72 tags; Del Valle, June 24, 24 tags; Montopolis, June 30, 51 tags).
- Community Cats coordinated an estimated 100 surgeries and conducted two orientations for volunteers.

Veterinarian Services

- Veterinarians performed 591 spay/neuter surgeries.
- A total of 167 emergency cases were treated, and 22 orthopedic and other surgeries were performed.
- Sixty-eight animals completed rabies quarantine.

Volunteer, Foster and Rescue Programs

- There are currently 1,198 approved fosters for the Austin Animal Center; 118 new foster applications were processed.
- A total of 837 animals were fostered, including 524 kittens under 12 weeks of age; 112 animals were adopted from foster care.
- A total of 456 animals were transferred to 30 Austin Animal Center partners; one rescue group was approved for a total of 179 approved partners.
- A total of 226 volunteers, including those volunteers who foster in their homes (they receive two volunteer hours per day of fostering), donated 4,727 service hours; 11 one-time volunteer groups gave 197 hours of service; and 25 Community Service Restitution volunteers contributed 358 hours to animal care.
- Volunteer coordinators facilitated seven new orientations, introducing 106 individuals to our program. The monthly volunteer workshop was *Introduction to Animal Cruelty & Neglect Investigation Process*.

Media

Annabelle adopted by new family:

www.kxan.com/2017/06/28/puppy-left-in-hot-manor-car-available-to-adopt-after-owner-surrenders

Puppy adopted:

www.fox7austin.com/news/local-news/264415269-story

Puppy gets new family:

www.kvue.com/news/local/puppy-rescued-from-hot-car-up-for-adoption/452751052

Puppy adopted:

<http://dfw.cbslocal.com/2017/06/28/owner-surrenders-puppy-locked-in-hot-car/>

Rescued puppy gets happy ending:

<https://iheartdogs.com/puppy-rescued-from-hot-car-gets-unexpected-happy-ending/>

Manor Judge rules dog rescued from hot car to be returned to owner:

www.kxan.com/2017/06/22/manor-judge-orders-puppy-found-in-hot-car-back-to-its-owner/

Judge rules dog can be returned to owner:

www.kvue.com/news/local/manor-pd-hearing-to-determine-custody-of-dog-saved-from-hot-car/451284390

Puppy returned to abusive owner:

www.dogingtonpost.com/texas-judge-orders-puppy-left-hot-car-returned-abusive-owner/

Manor PD Hearing:

www.kcentv.com/news/local/manor-pd-hearing-to-determine-custody-of-dog-saved-from-hot-car/451557047

Texas puppy recovering:

www.breitbart.com/texas/2017/06/20/texas-puppy-recovering-rescue-hot-car-owner-arrested/

Owner surrenders puppy:

www.twcnews.com/nc/charlotte/news/2017/06/28/manor-pup-rescued-from-hot-car-surrendered-by-owner.html

Puppy recovering

www.dfw.cbslocal.com/2017/06/20/puppy-recovering-after-being-left-in-hot-car/

Cruelty or stupidity: Judge speaks out

<http://www.kvue.com/news/judge-in-hot-car-case-speaks-out/452623306>

Puppy saved by good Samaritans:

www.wideopenpets.com/puppy-left-in-texas-hot-car-to-save-gas-saved-by-good-samaritan/

Puppy left in hot car:

<http://people.com/pets/puppy-left-in-hot-car/>

Puppy rescued from hot car:

<http://fox5sandiego.com/2017/06/21/police-rescue-puppy-locked-inside-hot-car/>

Puppy saved from hot car:

<http://www.krcrtv.com/news/annabelle-the-puppy-saved-from-hot-car/553139682>

Puppy rescue caught on camera:

www.hawaiinewsnow.com/story/35712047/caught-on-camera-puppy-rescued-after-spending-30-minutes-in-hot-car

Dash cam video shows officers rescuing puppy:

www.ksat.com/news/texas/dashcam-footage-shows-texas-officers-rescuing-puppy-from-hot-car-1

Puppy must go back to owner:

www.statesman.com/news/local/breaking-puppy-rescued-from-extreme-heat-locked-car-must-back-owner-manor-court-says/jaRY53LF85ryxfbJaeLrUO/

Annabelle saved from hot car:

www.ktxs.com/news/annabelle-the-puppy-saved-from-hot-car/553138646

Man didn't want to waste gas:

www.wfaa.com/news/police-man-left-puppy-in-hot-car-because-he-didnt-want-to-waste-gas/450210224

Puppy rescued from hot car:

<https://m.petmd.com/news/care-safety/neglected-puppy-rescued-hot-car-100-degree-day-36023>

Puppy saved from hot car:

www.chron.com/crime/article/texas-police-save-puppy-hot-car-walmart-11230275.php

Sweltering puppy rescued:

www.mirror.co.uk/news/world-news/sweltering-puppy-rescued-baking-hot-10660390

Police rescue puppy, arrest owner:

<https://crimewatchdaily.com/2017/06/19/police-rescue-puppy-from-hot-car-at-walmart-arrest-owner/>

Puppy saved from hot car:

www.kvia.com/lifestyle/pets/annabelle-the-puppy-saved-from-hot-car/553140382

Manor pup rescued from hot car:

www.ny1.com/nyc/all-boroughs/news/2017/06/28/manor-pup-rescued-from-hot-car-surrendered-by-owner-.html