

January 2022

AUSTIN ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT

Animal Services News

- The live outcome percentage for January was 98.81 percent.
- A total of 860 animals were brought to the shelter which included 484 dogs, 333 cats, 25 wild animals, three guinea pigs, four reptiles, five rabbits, and six domestic birds.
- A total of 538 animals were adopted (293 dogs, 233 cats, and 12 other pets).
- A total of 83 dogs, cats, birds, and a snake were returned to their owners (RTOs and RTO-Adopt).

Animal Protection

- Animal Protection Officers (APOs) returned 47 animals to their owners in the field during the month of January.
- Officers handed out 42 fencing assistance applications and implanted eight microchips.
- Officers impounded 126 injured animals and delivered 43 wildlife animals to Austin Wildlife Rescue.
- Officers entered 187 rabies exposure reports and submitted 22 specimens for rabies testing. Zero tested positive for rabies; one raccoon was indeterminate due to decomposed remains.
- 35 total coyote related activities
 - 22 sightings
 - 3 encounters
 - 3 observations
 - 3 wild sick
 - 2 wild speaks
 - 1 incident
 - 1 wild injured
- Out of 35 coyote related activities, 29 fell within the reported behavior types (sighting, encounter, incident, and observation)
- Incident: Pets were a factor in the incident reported
 - An incident involved three coyotes attempting to take pet through fence



- Encounters: Out of three encounters reported, for two encounters pets were 100 percent a factor
 - An encounter involved a coyote entering a fenced backyard with pets
 - An encounter involved a coyote with mange following a resident around her workplace
 - An encounter involved a coyote following a resident and pet
- Out of 35 related activities, six fell within the reported behavior types (wild sick, wild speak, and wild injured)

Volunteer, Foster, and Rescue Programs

- A total of 421 volunteers donated 5,109 hours of volunteer service in January.
- The Volunteer Coordinators held five orientations for new volunteers in January, introducing 133 people to the shelter programs.
- 151 new volunteers attended their first training or mentor shifts in January.
- Nine Community Service Restitution individuals performed 78 hours of laundry, dishes and other duties as assigned.
- 41 individuals donated 82 hours toward group volunteer service, through dog-walking and general cat care.
- More than 240 different people/families fostered
- 162 new foster applications were processed. *This number does not necessarily include walk-in / in person applications that were processed.*
- There are currently 771 members (approved fosters) in the foster program's GivePulse group
- Zero pets died or were euthanized in foster care in January
- On January 3, 278 animals were in foster care
- As of February 3, 229 animals in foster care
- 141 animals were adopted directly from foster care
- 211 animals were sent to foster care
- Four animals were transferred directly from foster care



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- 214 animals were transferred to 23 local AAC Rescue Partners (compared to 144 animals to 19 partners for January 2022).
- During the course of a month, animals may go into foster and be returned to the shelter within the same month. These are not included in the foster inventory at the end of the month. Example: Animals may be sent to foster for a week or two while recovering from a medical issue or to help temporarily with shelter space.
- Three owner surrender appointments were posted to local AAC Rescue partners for intake deferral option.

Vet Services

- AAC vets performed 806 vet exams
- AAC vets spayed/neutered 450 animals
- Zero visibly pregnant animals were spayed
- 27 emergency cases were treated at AAC
- 18 emergencies were transferred from the emergency clinic
- The total emergency clinic bill for January was \$14,254.39.
- Seven animals received orthopedic surgeries.
- Seven animals received other specialty surgeries (enucleations, amputations, mass removals, hernia repair, wound repairs, dentals, etc.).
- Seven cruelty cases were treated.
- 68 animals were pulled by Austin Pets Alive! for medical reasons (14 medical urgent, 25 medical attention, 22 neonatal, six pregnant, one parvo).

Pet Resource Center

- PRC/NLP staff handed out more than 1,840 basic items including food, crates, leashes, etc.
- Five dogs with behavior issues were deferred.



Events/Marketing

- Events
 - 1/15 Mitzvah Day outreach event at Congregation Beth Israel
 - 1/28 Every Dog Grand Opening
- Social Media
 - Facebook reach: 904,338
 - New Followers: 710
 - Instagram reach: 150,309
 - New Followers: 966

