

# May 2023

## AUSTIN ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT

### Animal Services News

- The live outcome rate for May was 97.53 percent.
- A total of 1,375 animals were brought to the shelter which included 832 cats, 498 dogs, 30 wild animals, four rabbits, eight guinea pigs, two chickens, and one hamster.
- A total of 560 animals were adopted (262 dogs, 282 cats, and 16 small pets).
- A total of 97 dogs and cats were returned to their owners (RTOs and RTO-Adopt).

### Animal Protection

- Animal Protection Officers (APOs) returned 18 animals to their owners in the field.
- Officers handed out 8 fencing assistance applications and implanted zero microchips.
- Officers impounded 215 injured animals and delivered 123 wildlife animals to Austin Wildlife Rescue.
- Officers entered 205 rabies exposure reports and submitted 40 specimens for rabies testing. Eight bats tested positive and three bats were nonnegative (too decomposed).
- 27 total coyote related activities
  - 17 sightings
  - 3 wild sick
  - 3 wild speaks
  - 2 incidents
  - 1 wild injured
  - 1 encounter
- Out of 27 coyote related activities, 20 fell within the reported behavior types (sighting, encounter, incident, and observation)
  - Encounters: Pets were 100% a factor in the encounter reported
    - Encounter involving a coyote entering a fenced backyard with pets present
  - Incident: Pets were 100% a factor in the incident reported
    - All incidents involved coyotes taking off leash unsupervised outside cats
- Out of 27 related activities, 7 fell within the reported behavior types (wild sick, wild speak, and wild injured)



### Volunteer, Foster, and Rescue Programs

- A total of 482 volunteers donated 6,951 hours of volunteer service.
- The Volunteer Coordinators held six orientations for new volunteers, introducing 123 people to the shelter programs. 125 new volunteers attended their first training or mentor shifts in May.
- 38 individuals donated 76 hours towards dog walking and cat care through group volunteer service.
- 15 Community Service Restitution individuals performed 178 hours of laundry, dishes, and other duties as assigned.
- 161 animals were adopted directly from foster care.
- More than 340 different people/families fostered.
- 269 new foster applications were processed. *(This number does not necessarily include walk-in / in person applications that were processed.)*
- There are currently 1,040 members (approved fosters) in the foster program's GivePulse group.
- One pet died or was euthanized in foster care.
- As of June 3 at 7:20 a.m. there were 538 animals in foster care.
- 341 animals were transferred to 16 in-state AAC Rescue Partners (compared to 254 animals to 17 partners for May 2022).
- Two owner surrender requests were posted to AAC partners.

### Vet Services

- AAC vets performed 1,097 exams.
- AAC vets spayed/neutered 456 animals.
- Zero visibly pregnant animals were spayed.
- 70 emergency cases were treated at AAC.
- 49 emergencies were transferred from the emergency clinic.
- The estimated emergency clinic bill for May is \$45,000.
- Six animals received orthopedic surgeries.



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- 13 animals received other specialty surgeries (enucleations, amputations, mass removals, hernia repair, wound repairs, dentals, etc).
- 19 cruelty cases were treated.
- 227 animals were pulled by Austin Pets Alive! for medical reasons (37 medical urgent, 22 medical attention, 130 neonatal, nine pregnant, 21 parvo, 8 panleuk).

### Pet Resource Center

- Staff handed out over 1,225 basic pet items (including food, crates, leashes, etc) to more than 385 people.
- Four dogs with behavior issues were deferred.

### Events

- 5/6-7 Pecan Street Festival
- 5/12 Late Night Adoption Event
- 5/13 Adoption event at Tomlinson's
- 5/20 Adoption event at Tractor Supply
- 5/21 Dog Mom/Yoga event at Beerburg Brewing
- 5/27-6/4 Citywide '300 Homes Now' adoption event
  - AAC adopted out 112 cats/kittens, 86 small dogs/puppies, and 39 large dogs
  - APA adopted out 141 dogs and 163 cats
  - AHS adopted out 104 animals
  - TOTAL: 645 adoptions

