

February 2020

ANIMAL SERVICES REPORT



Animal Services News

- The live outcome rate for February was 97.5 percent.
- A total of 609 animals were adopted (412 dogs, 187 cats and 10 small pets).
- A total of 197 dogs and cats were returned to their owners (RTOs).

Animal Protection

- Animal Protection Officers (APOs) returned 96 animals to their owners in the field during the month of February.
- Officers handed out 20 fencing assistance applications, implanted 14 microchips and impounded 98 injured animals.
- A total of 39 animals were transferred to Austin Wildlife Rescue.
- Officers entered 226 rabies exposure reports and submitted 38 specimens for rabies testing. Two bats tested positive.
- Wildlife APO received 109 coyote-related activities:
 - 61 sightings
 - 33 wild sick reports
 - 5 incidents
 - 3 reports involved pets
 - 2 reports involved livestock
 - 4 encounters
 - 3 observations
 - 1 wild speak report
 - 1 coyote presentation
 - 1 wild roam (sighting) near a school
- Out of 109 coyote related reports, 70 fell within the reported behavior types (sighting, encounter, and incident).
- Incidents: Pets and livestock were a factor in all five activities
 - Two incidents involved two coyotes that injured off-leash pets in the greenbelt. Both dogs survived with minor injuries.
 - Two incidents involved a single coyote entering a yard and leaving with a chicken.
 - One incident involved a coyote approaching a cat in a backyard. Wildlife officer was unable to reach citizen to determine if it was a pet or stray.
- Encounters: Pets were a factor in three of the four verified activities
 - Three encounters involved a coyote displaying flushing behavior with a dog and citizen.



- One encounter involved a coyote with mange that approached a citizen without a dog, but left when it was hazed.

Volunteer, Foster and Rescue Programs

- A total of 432 volunteers donated 5,223 service hours; 19 groups of volunteers donated 444 hours with their “Giving Group” to the Center; 16 community service restitution volunteers contributed 175 hours toward animal care tasks.
- Volunteer Coordinators hosted six New Volunteer Orientations, introducing 132 individuals to our organization and volunteer opportunities.
- A total of 200 families provided foster care, and a total of 78 animals were adopted directly from foster care.
- There are 806 approved fosters in GivePulse, and 83 new foster applications were processed.
- There are currently 261 animals in 177 different foster homes.
- 306 live outcomes were attributed to 24 AAC partners:
 - 124 cats (includes 67 SNR)
 - 180 dogs
 - 12 “other”
 - 1 rabbit
 - 10 Guinea pigs
 - 1 tortoise

