



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Agenda

Wednesday, August 14, 2024
5:30 PM

Municipal Service Center - 725
SE John Jones Dr
Burleson, TX 76028

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**
 - A. Consider approval of the minutes from the March 6, 2024 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
3. **CITIZEN APPEARANCES**
4. **REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**
 - A. Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' monthly reports for shelter operations from February 2024 to May 2024. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
 - B. Receive a report and discuss the 2024 Paw Pals academy. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
 - C. Receive a report and discuss the Adoption Trailer sponsors. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
 - D. Summary of Community Outreach. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
 - E. Summary of the fundraisers held for the Animal Shelter. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
 - F. Summary of the Borrowed Buddies Program. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)
5. **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**
6. **BOARD REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OR REPORTS**
7. **ADJOURN**
8. **Staff Contact:**
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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above agenda was posted on this the 7th of August 2024, by 5:00 p.m., on the official bulletin board at the Burleson City Hall, 141 W. Renfro, Burleson, Texas.



Amanda Campos

City Secretary

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Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: DeAnna Phillips, Community Services Director

MEETING: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

Consider approval of the minutes from the March 6, 2024 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*

SUMMARY:

The Burleson Animal Shelter Advisory Committee convened on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, in the Burleson Municipal Service Center Conference Room at 725 SE John Jones Dr, Burleson, Texas. The minutes are attached for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the minutes as presented.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

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ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MARCH 6, 2024
DRAFT MINUTES

Item A.

Call to Order: 5:30 P.M.

Committee Members Present

Kim Peckler
Liriane Davis
Donna Riggs
DeAnna Phillips
Trina Argo
Dena Hooley
Lisa Chick

Committee Members Absent

Jennifer Stockemer
Steven Janssen
Syriana Smith
Dr. Susan Andrews

Staff

Angel Strotman, Recording Secretary

1. **Call to Order:** Time: 5:36 PM
2. **Approve the minutes from the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting.**

- A. Consider approval of the minutes from November 8, 2023 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting.

A motion was made by Dena Hooley and second by Donna Riggs to *or approve the minutes as amended*. Lisa Chick must be added to absent.

Motion passed: 5 - 0

Absent: Jennifer Stockemer
Steven Janssen
Syriana Smith
Dr. Susan Andrews

3. **Citizen Appearances.** None
4. **Reports and Discussion Items:**

A. Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' monthly reports on November 2023, December 2023, and January 2024 shelter operations. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the shelter operations for November 2023, December 2023, and January 2024.

- Q: What does RTO mean? A: Return to owner.
- Q: What is required for the animal to be returned to the owner? Are there fees involved? A: No fees at this time for a first offense, but a rabies vaccination must be given within 10 days. For a return in the field by the officer, the owner is given a Notice of Violation, with the same 10 days to get a rabies vaccination.
- Q: How often is the shelter full? A: 100% of the time now.

B. Summary of the improvements to Shelter. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the improvements to Shelter approved in the FY2023-2024 budget, which included an outside cover for the kennels and a solar panel electric gate.

- The committee was happy the gates were installed

C. Summary of the Community Outreach. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the community outreach activities and events for animal services: Dogs and Donuts at Bailey Lake held on March 2, and upcoming activities: Career Fair at Frazier Elementary planned for May 9 and Super Safety Saturday at Texas Health Burleson planned for May 18.

- Several Committee members would love to help with community outreach activities.

E. Summary of the fundraisers held for the Animal Shelter. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on fundraiser activities and events held for animal services which included a Furry Friends fundraiser sponsored by Applebee's held on February 20 and the Pooch Playoffs – the Ulti-Mutt Cutie competition sponsored by Joni Linn Photography.

- The Committee loved all the fundraiser ideas.

F. Summary of the Borrowed Buddies Program. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an overview of the animal services' Borrowed Buddies program and the benefits, which allows citizens to borrow a shelter animal for a set amount of time.

- Everyone loves the Borrowed Buddie Program
- Q: What is sent home with the animal? A: Food, leash, a bandana.
- Q: Why does the animal get sent with food? A; The animal needs to stay on the specific brand of food for digestion reasons.

6. Board requests for future agenda items or reports.

- The committee talked about other fundraising events. Liriane Davis suggested a Dinner Gala or a golf tournament.
- Can the City look into grants?
- Possibly enforcement grants?

7. Adjourn

Motion made by Lisa Chick to adjourn meeting and second by Dena Hooley
Time: 6:14 p.m.

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Community Services
FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager
MEETING: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' monthly reports for shelter operations from February 2024 to May 2024. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*

SUMMARY:

The statistical summary report for February to May 2024 provides the following operational information:

Total Animals Handled	Animals Surrendered
Incoming Animals	Stray Animals
Adoptions	Animals Reclaimed
Written Warnings	Humane Euthanasia
Vaccinations	Shelter Visitors
Volunteer Hours	Outreach events

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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February 2024 – May 2024 Monthly Report



Feb 2024 – May 2024

Monthly Report

TOTAL ANIMALS HANDLED BY BAS

513

INCOMING ANIMALS



301

STRAY ANIMALS



88

SURRENDERED

OUTGOING ANIMALS



203

ADOPTIONS



66

REUNIONS



99.2%

LIVE RELEASE RATE*

** live release is based on the euthanasia of healthy and adoptable animals*

ADDITIONAL SHELTER STATISTICS



162

WARNINGS
WRITTEN



192

VOLUNTEER
HOURS



HUMANE
EUTHANASIA

37

(MEDICAL)

60

(BEHAVIOR –
INCLUDES FERAL)



352

VACCINATIONS

121

SPAY/NEUTER



189

MICROCHIPPED



29

OUTREACH EVENTS

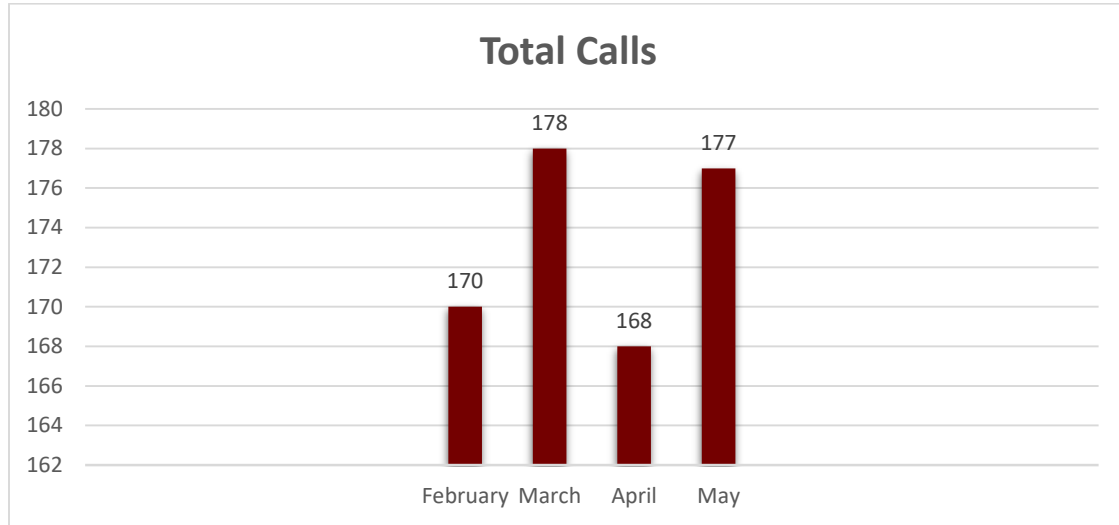


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SHELTER VISITORS

Field Services

All Calls for Service are handled within 24 hours



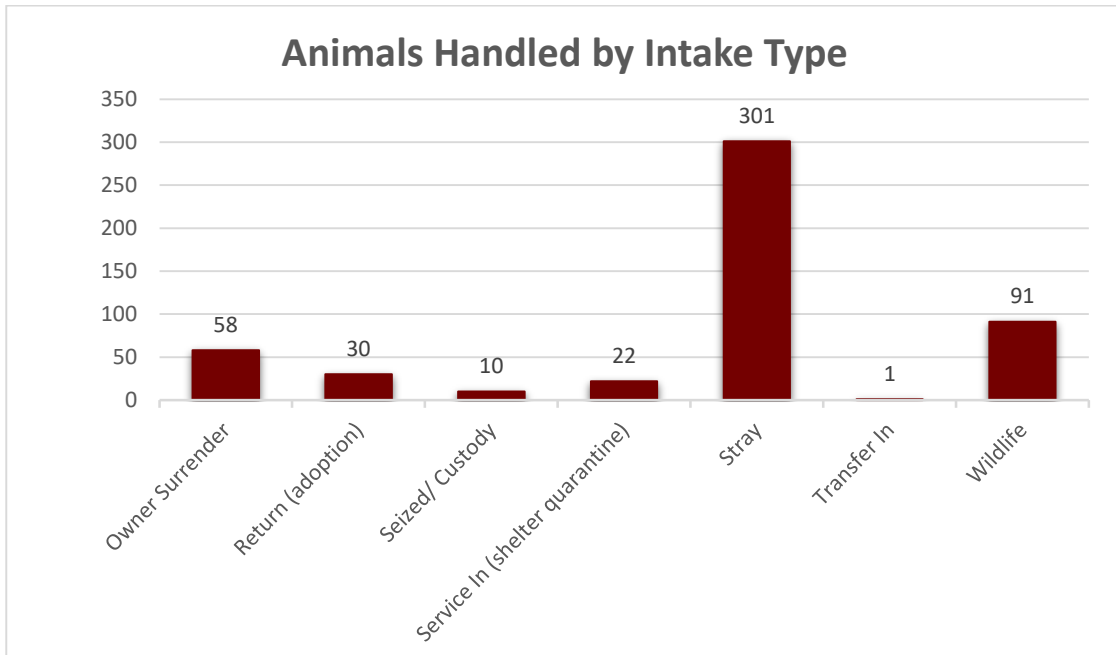
The Animal Services division responds to approximately 2,000 calls for service each year. Trends usually show the numbers peaking during the warmest months and declining during the coldest.

Actions Taken by Officers



Attempts to educate and mediate are most often the first method of resolution. When these techniques fail or are ignored, a written warning or citation could be issued. These methods help to reduce the number of repeat offenders, and animals impounded, and more effectively manage long-term problems. These actions are taken to enhance public safety and animal welfare.

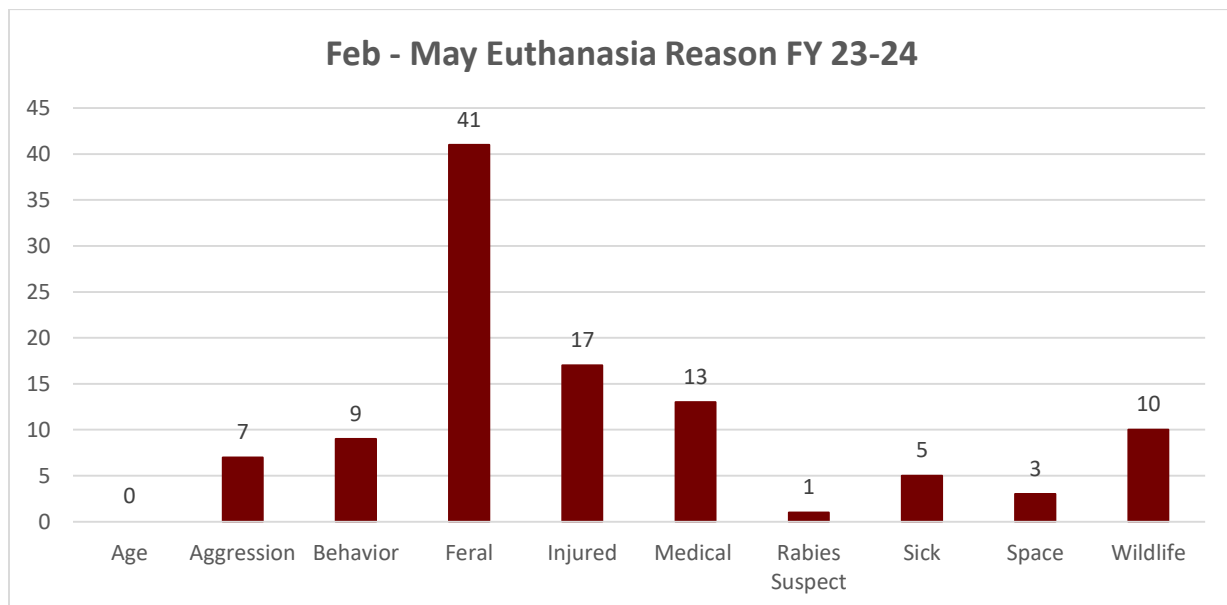
Intake Information



Burleson Animal Shelter intakes about 2,000 animals per year and averages about 165 animals per month. Below you will see the intake data per month broken down by species and by intake type.

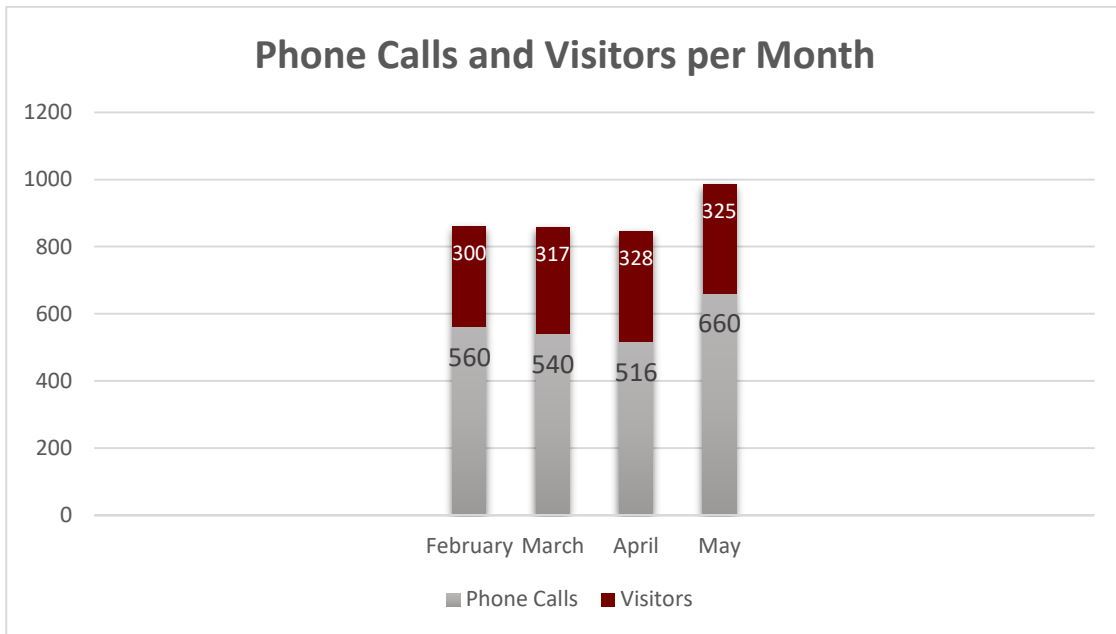
Euthanasia Information

The chart below depicts the breakdown of euthanasia numbers by reason for the fiscal year.



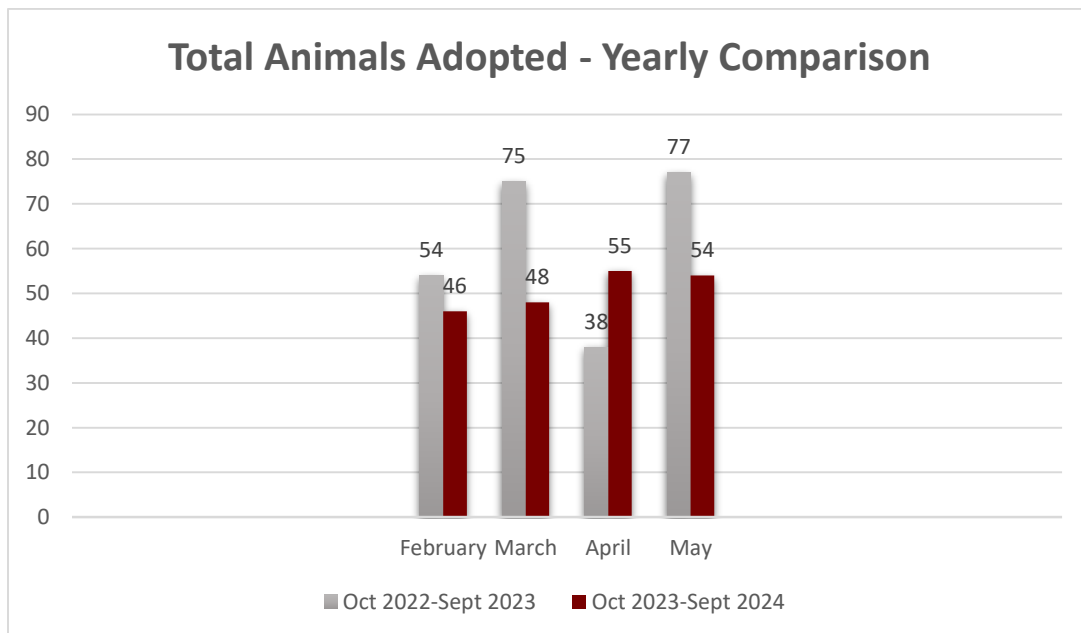
General Information

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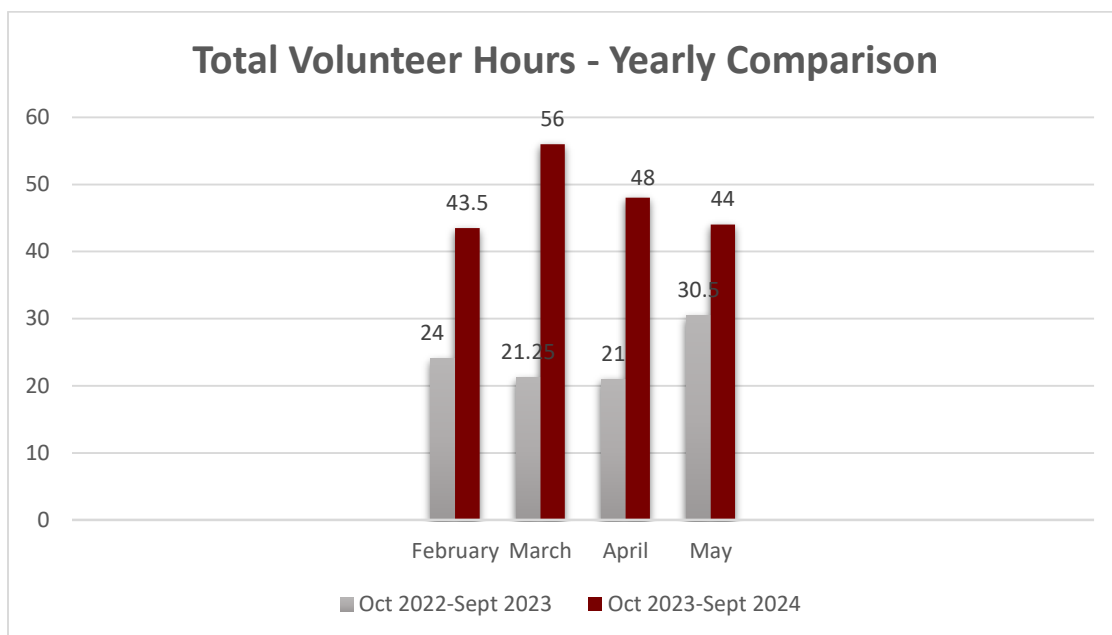


Phone calls and visitors are depicted in the graph above. Phone calls typically increase with season changes and visitors tend to fluctuate on an unforeseen basis.

Adoptions

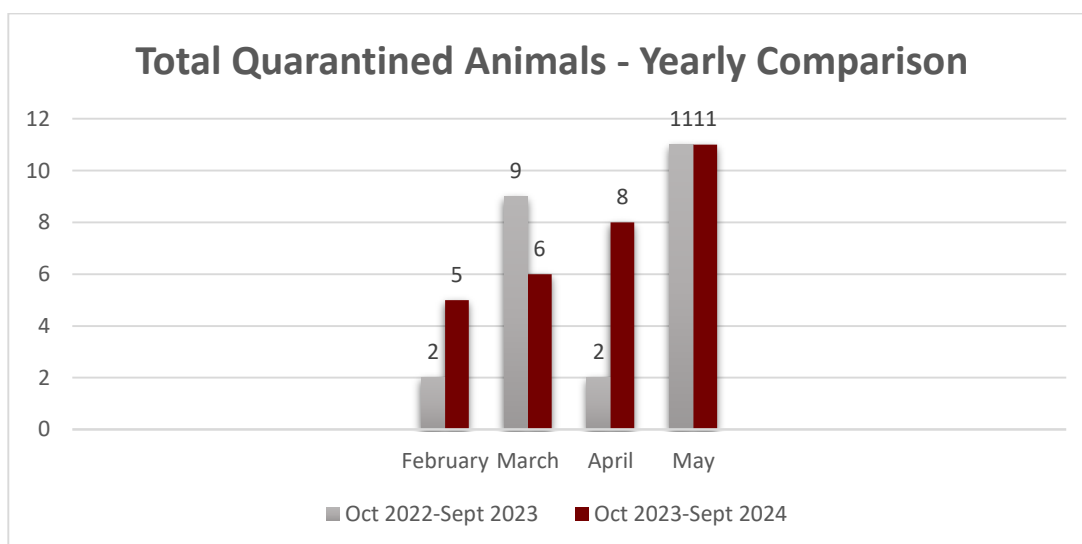


Volunteers



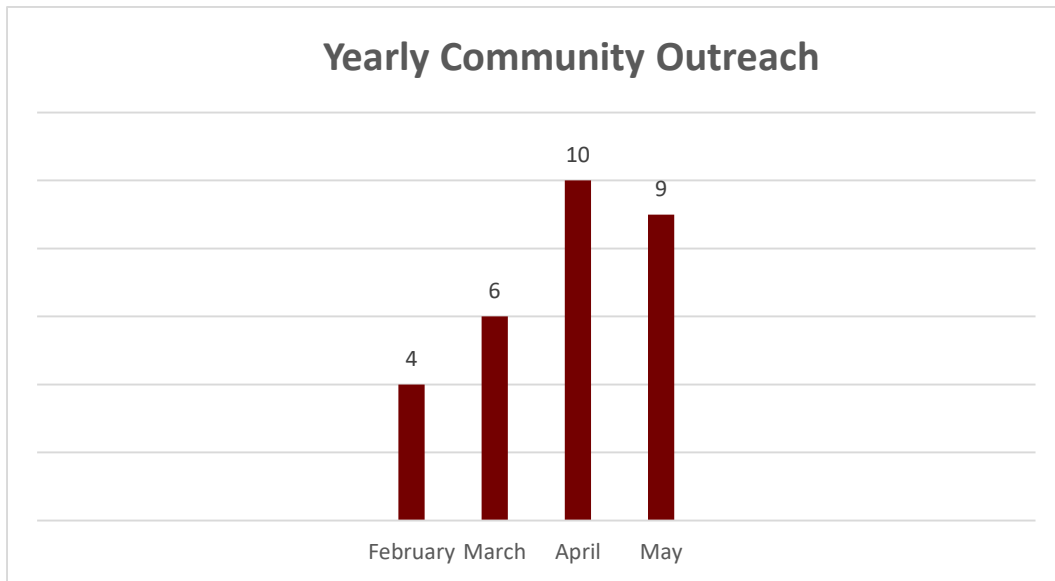
Volunteers perform a myriad of tasks at the shelter from walking dogs, to playing with puppies and kittens. It is very beneficial for the animals to be able to spend some time outside of their cage with one-on-one human contact. Socializing and daily exercise helps reduce stress on the animals and also help make them more adoptable.

Animal Quarantine



Animals that bite are subject to quarantine and are required to quarantine the animal for not less than ten days confinement from the date of the bite, at the owner's expense.

Community Outreach



Community outreach enables us to go out and interact with the community to improve adoptions, improve communication with residents and animal services, and provide unique services to get the community involved.

The definition of Terms can be found here:

www.burlesontx.com/terms

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss the 2024 Paw Pals Academy. (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

SUMMARY:

This was the 13th year for youths 11 to 15 to attend a free educational workshop on basic animal care and safety in a fun environment. Twenty (20) spots were available for children attending the academy this year. Students learn about a variety of animals with a hands-on approach.

This year's events include the following courses:

- 1) June 1- Journey of a Rescue Animal. From Veterinary Medical Care to Forever Home
 - Taught by Melissa Stiles, Dr. Nicole Winquest DVM. Students walked through the steps of animals taken into rescue from medical care to finding a new home.
- 2) June 8- Wildlife on the Move.
 - Taught by Eric Brittingham (Mr. B). Mr. B brought snakes, lizards, spiders, and more for the students to interact with and learn their behavior
- 3) June 15- Easy Acres Alpacas
 - Taught by Lori Wroblewski. Mrs. Wroblewski brought several alpacas for the students to groom, feed and learn about the breed.
- 4) June 22 – Graduation – Question/Answer, Refreshments

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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June 2024



This was the 13th year for youth 11 – 15 years to attend a free educational workshop on basic animal care and safety in a fun environment. Students Learn about a variety of animals with a hands-on approach. This year we had 14 students.



June 1, 2024

Item B.

Journey of a Rescue Animal. From Veterinary Medical Care to Forever Home

Taught by Melissa Stiles and Dr. Nicole Winquest DVM. Students walked through the steps of animals taken into rescue from medical care to finding a new home.



June 8, 2024

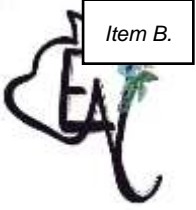


Wildlife on the Move.

Taught by Eric Brittingham (Mr. B). Mr. B brought snakes, lizards, spiders, and more for the students to interact with and learn their behavior



June 15, 2023



Easy Acres Alpacas

Taught by Lori Wroblewski. Mrs. Wroblewski brought several alpacas and a llama for the students to groom, feed and learn about the breeds.



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Animal Services
FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager
MEETING: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss the Adoption Trailer sponsors. (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

SUMMARY:

The animal shelter is taking donations to purchase an adoption trailer. The trailer will allow the shelter team to hold more off-site adoptions year-round and place animals in their forever homes.

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

Budgeted Y/N: N

Fund Name:

Full Account #:

Amount:

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Adoption Trailer Sponsors

Diamond Forever Home \$7,500	Platinum Heart \$2,500	Gold Tail \$1,000	Silver Whisker \$500	Bronze Paw \$250	Total
		First National Bank	City Market	Diane Lybbert	\$3,000
			Accents of Burleson	Adam Russell	
				Kay Godbey	
				Pat McClure & Dean Jones	

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Community Services
FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager
MEETING: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

Summary of Community Outreach. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*

SUMMARY:

Animal Services Officer Shelby Welch attends local events and holds offsite adoptions at some events to help with the shelter's overpopulation. Officer Brennan Jones attends the Assisted Living program. Below is a list of previous events.

Offsite Adoption Events:

April 1, 2024: Bring a dog to the city council meeting. (showcase adoptable dogs) (Quarterly)
April 5, 2024: Yappy Hour at Lost Oak Winery
April 21, 2024: Offsite adoption at Petco
July 22, 2024: Bring a dog to the city council meeting.

Community Outreach Events:

Career days at 2 Elementary Schools
Animal Therapy at Southwestern Adventist University
Clifford attended the Civic Academy Meeting
Clifford Attends weekly visits to Mustang Creek Estates and Mariposa with Officer Brennan Jones.
(Assisted Living)

RECOMMENDATION:

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PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

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Community Outreach

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting

August 14, 2024

Offsite Adoption Events



- April 1, 2024 – Featured an adoptable dog at a city council meeting
- April 5, 2024 – Yappy Hour at Lost Oak Winery
- April 21, 2024 – Offsite adoption at Petco
- July 22, 2024 – Featured an adoptable dog at a city council meeting

Community Outreach



Item D.

- Career Day at Hughes Middle School and Frazier Elementary
- Animal Therapy at Southwestern Adventist University
- Clifford attended the Civic Academy meeting
- Clifford attended weekly visits to Mustang Creek Estates and Mariposa with Officer Jones



Question and Comments ?

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

Summary of the fundraisers held for the Animal Shelter. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*

SUMMARY:

Burleson Animal Services held a fundraiser, Poorly Drawn Pets. The donations are going towards purchasing the adoption trailer to increase offsite adoptions. As of June 28th, we have received \$4,700.00.

Joni Linn Photography LLC held a fundraiser for the Shelter. The \$99 entry fee was donated to the shelter's donation fund, and \$1,400.00 was donated.

Burleson Senior Center held a fundraiser to gather food and supplies for the shelter. 1600 pounds of food and \$500.00 was donated.

Cooter Browns held a fundraising \$745.00 was donated.

Nestle Foods did a fundraiser at Walmart, and 362 Pounds of food were donated.

RECOMMENDATION:

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PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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ASAC

Fundraisers

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Meeting

August 14, 2024

Poorly Drawn Pets



\$4,700 raised

Joni Linn Photography



- Joni Linn Photography held a fundraiser for the shelter.
- Entry fee was \$99 per pet.
- \$1,400 was donated!

Burleson Senior Center



- Burleson Senior center held a fundraiser to gather food and supplies for the shelter.
- 1,600 pounds of food donated.
- \$500 was raised.

Cooter Browns



Item E.

**\$745
raised**

Nestle Food

Item E.



**362
pounds
of food
donated**



Question and Comments ?

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Community Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

Summary of the Borrowed Buddies Program. (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

SUMMARY:

The Borrowed Buddies program allows citizens to “borrow” a shelter animal for a set amount of time. The citizen gets a friend for a while, and the animal “buddy” gets time out of the shelter and possibly a forever home.

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

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Borrowed Buddies



All of these animals have been adopted!