



Animal Shelter Advisory Committee Agenda

Wednesday, November 05, 2025
5:30 PM

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

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **CITIZEN APPEARANCES**

Each person in attendance who desires to speak to the Committee on an item NOT posted on the agenda, shall speak during this section. A speaker card must be filled out and turned in to the City Secretary prior to addressing the Committee. Each speaker will be allowed three minutes to speak.

Each person in attendance who desires to speak on an item posted on the agenda shall speak when the item is called forward for consideration.

3. **GENERAL**

- A. Consider approval of the minutes from the July 17, 2025 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*

4. **REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' yearly reports for shelter operations from October 2024 to September 2025. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*
- B. Receive a report and discuss the adoption trailer update. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*
- C. Receive a report and discuss the migratory bird prevention efforts. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*
- D. Summary of animal services community outreach efforts. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*
- E. Summary of the fundraisers held for the Animal Shelter *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*

5. **REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND REPORTS**

6. **ADJOURN**

7. **Staff Contact**

DeAnna Phillips
Director of Community Services
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CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the above agenda was posted on this the 23rd of October 2025, 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: Animal Services
FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager
MEETING: November 5, 2025

SUBJECT:

Consider approval of the minutes from the July 17, 2025 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*

SUMMARY:

The Burleson Animal Shelter Advisory Committee convened on, July 17, 2025, in the Burleson Municipal Service Center Conference Room at 725 SE John Jones Dr, Burleson, Texas. The minutes are attached for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve minutes as presented.

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

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

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ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

July 17, 2025
DRAFT MINUTES

Call to Order: 5:38 P.M.

Board Members Present

Kim Peckler
DeAnna Phillips
Donna Riggs
Liriane Davis
Dena Hooley
Jennifer Stockemer

Board Members Absent

Lisa Chick
Dr. Ryan Camp
Ashlyn Albracht
Trina Argo

Staff Present

Angelia Strotman, Recording Secretary

1. **Call to Order:** 5:38 p.m.

2. **Citizen Appearances** – None

3. **General**

A. **Consider approval of the minutes from the March 19, 2025 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)**

A motion was made by Dena Hooley and seconded by Liriane Davis to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion passed unanimously. Absent Lisa Chick, Dr. Ryan Camp, Ashlyn Albracht, Trina Argo

4. **Reports and Discussion Items:**

A. **Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' reports for shelter operations from January 2025 to May 2025. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)**

Staff reported on the shelter operations for January- May 2025.

B. Receive a report and discuss the adoption trailer sponsors. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

The contract was awarded to Renown Cargo Trailers, and the trailer is currently in the design phase.

C. Receive a report and discuss the Migratory Bird Prevention Efforts. (Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff reported on the daily egret patrols and the deterrent kits that were given to the citizens. And staff patrolled twice daily to discourage nesting.

D. Summary of Community Outreach. (Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the community outreach activities and events at the Adoptable Pets of the Quarter council meeting, Burleson 101 Civic Academy, and Weekly visits to local assisted living locations.

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

Staff reported on fundraising activities, and past and future events held for animal services which included: Clifford T-shirts are still for sale.

5. Community Announcements

None

6. Board Requests for future agenda items or reports

None

7. Adjourn

Time – 5:52 p.m.

Angelia Strotman, Recording Secretary

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Animal Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: November 5, 2025

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' yearly reports for shelter operations from October 2024 to September 2025. *(Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)*

SUMMARY:

The statistical summary report for February-May 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

OPTIONS:

N/A – informational only

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

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October 2024-September 2025 Yearly Report



**October 2024 –
September 2025**

**TOTAL ANIMALS
HANDLED BY BAS**

1,590

INCOMING ANIMALS



870

STRAY ANIMALS



279

SURRENDERED

OUTGOING ANIMALS



621

ADOPTIONS



265

REUNIONS



99%

LIVE RELEASE RATE*

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

ADDITIONAL SHELTER STATISTICS



344

**WARNINGS
WRITTEN**



561

**VOLUNTEER
HOURS**



42

OUTREACH EVENTS



1,661

SHELTER VISITORS



**HUMANE
EUTHANASIA**

110

(MEDICAL)

135

**(BEHAVIOR –
INCLUDES FERAL)**



406

VACCINATIONS

161

SPAY/NEUTER

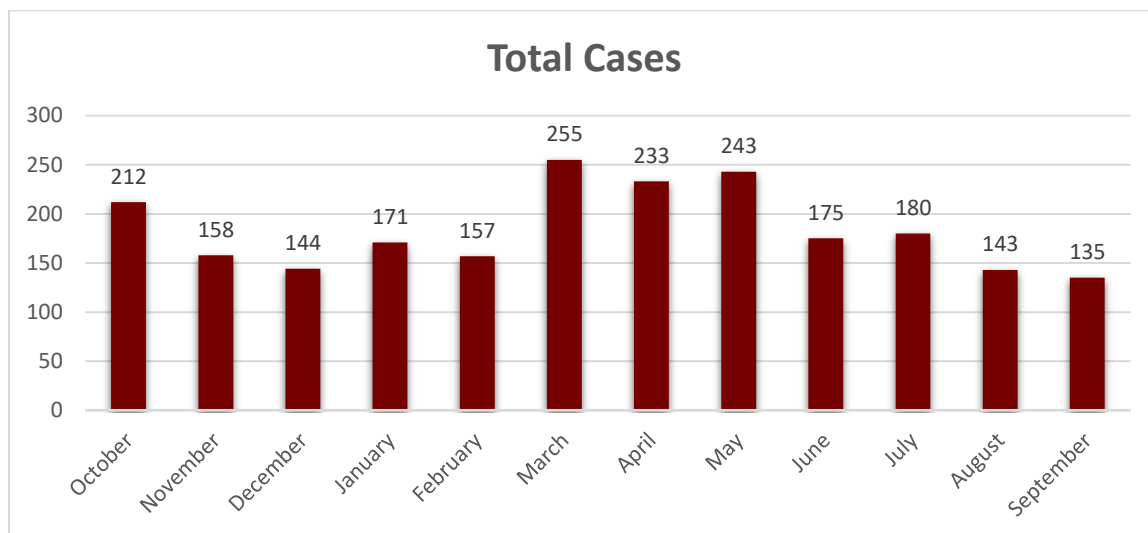


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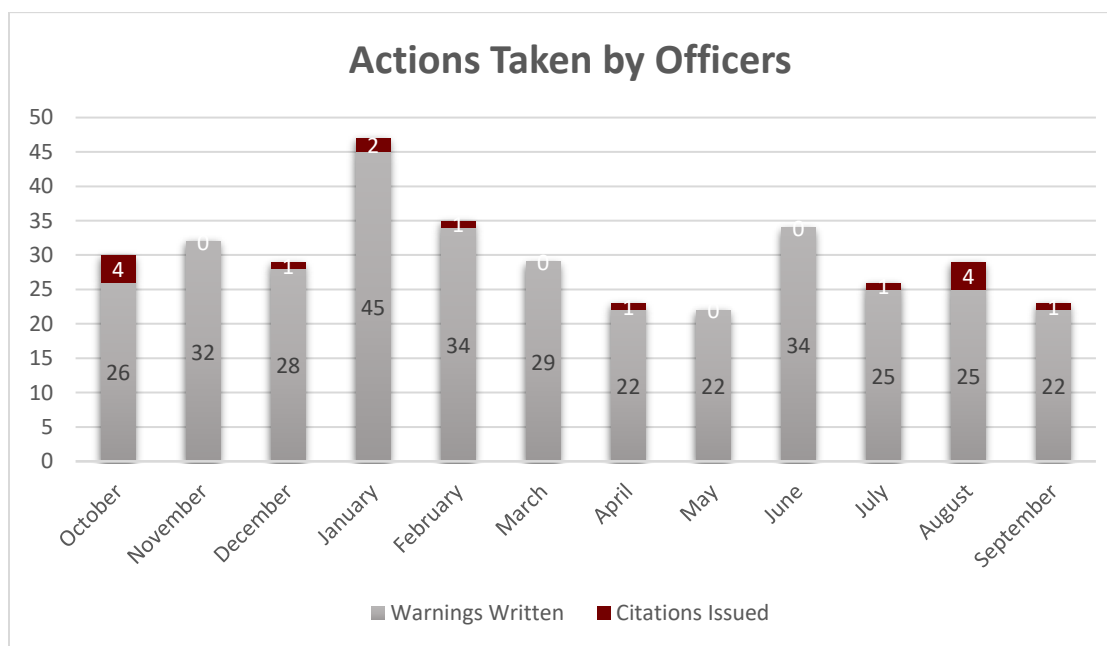
Field Services

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



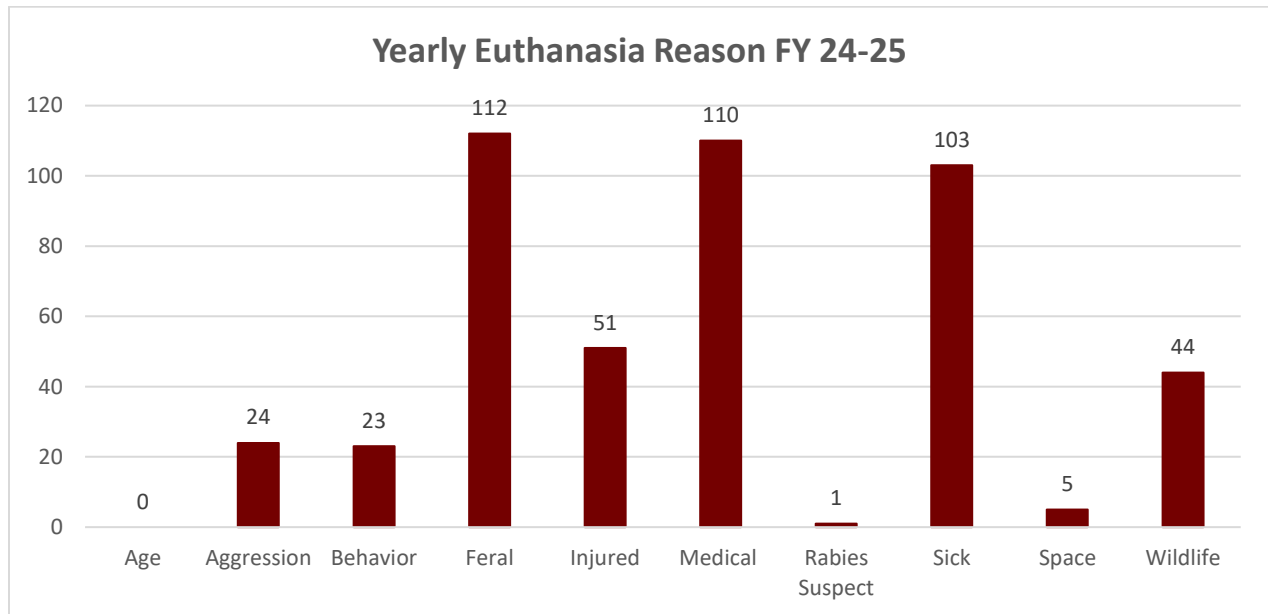
Attempts to educate and mediate are most often the first method of resolution. When these techniques fail or are ignored, a written warning or citation could be issued. These methods help to reduce the

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.

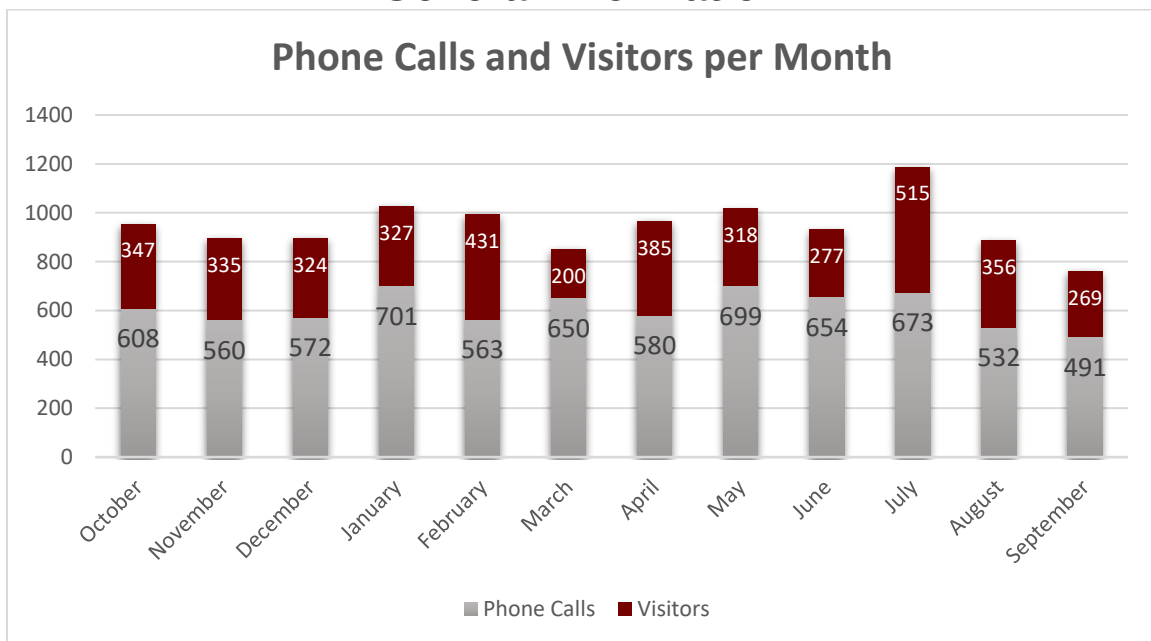
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Euthanasia Information

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

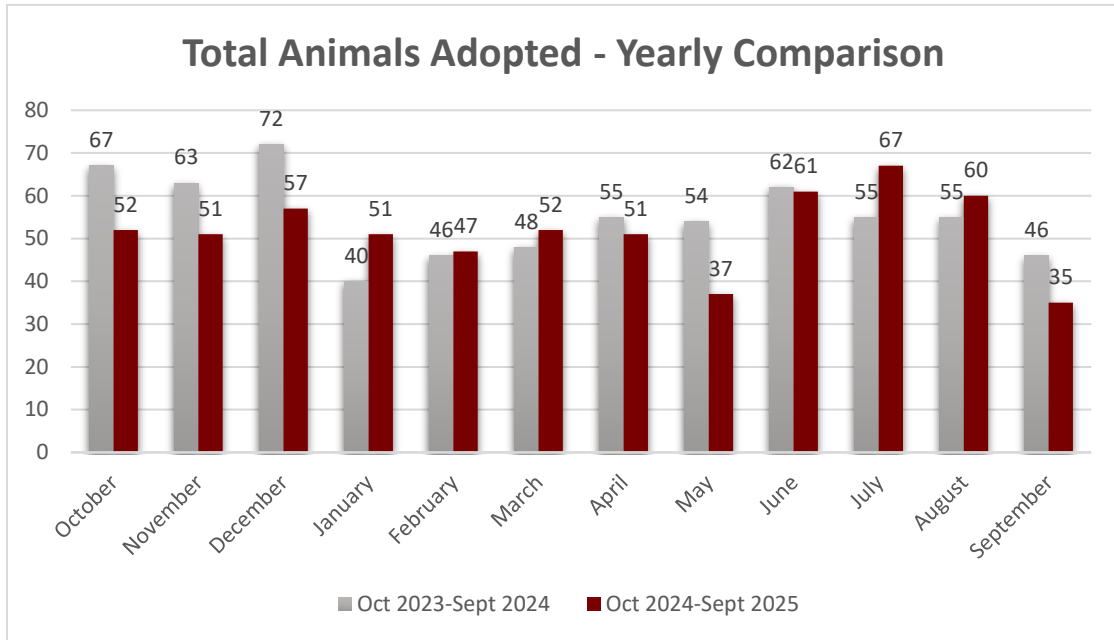


General Information

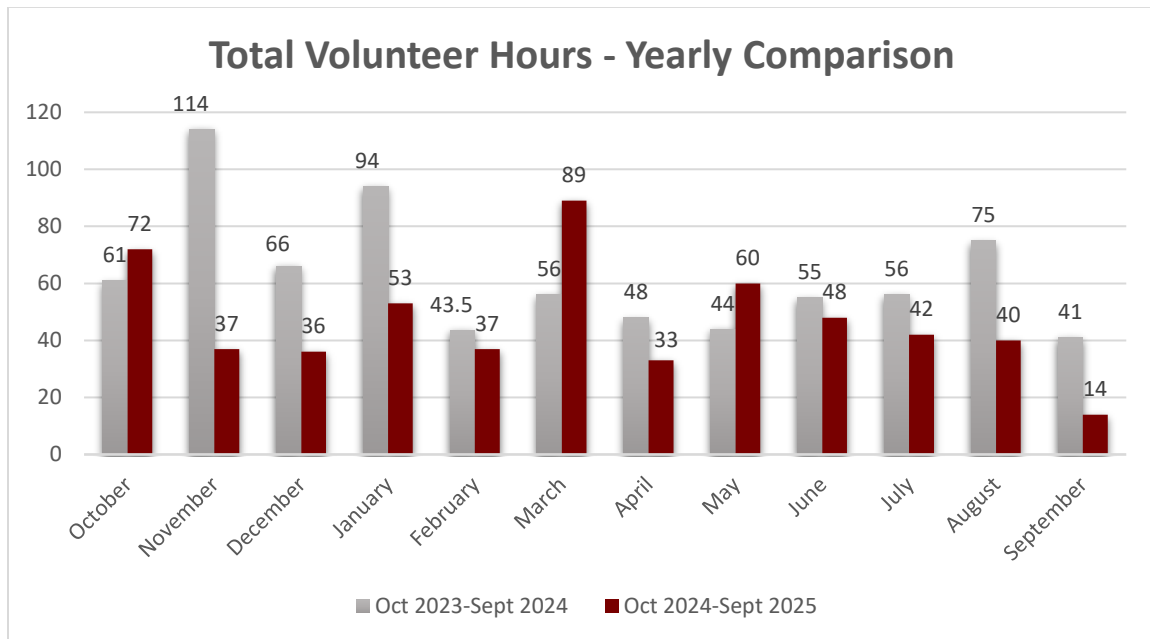


Phone calls and visitors are depicted in the graph above. Phone calls typically increase with season changes and visitors tend to fluctuate on an unforeseen basis

Adoptions

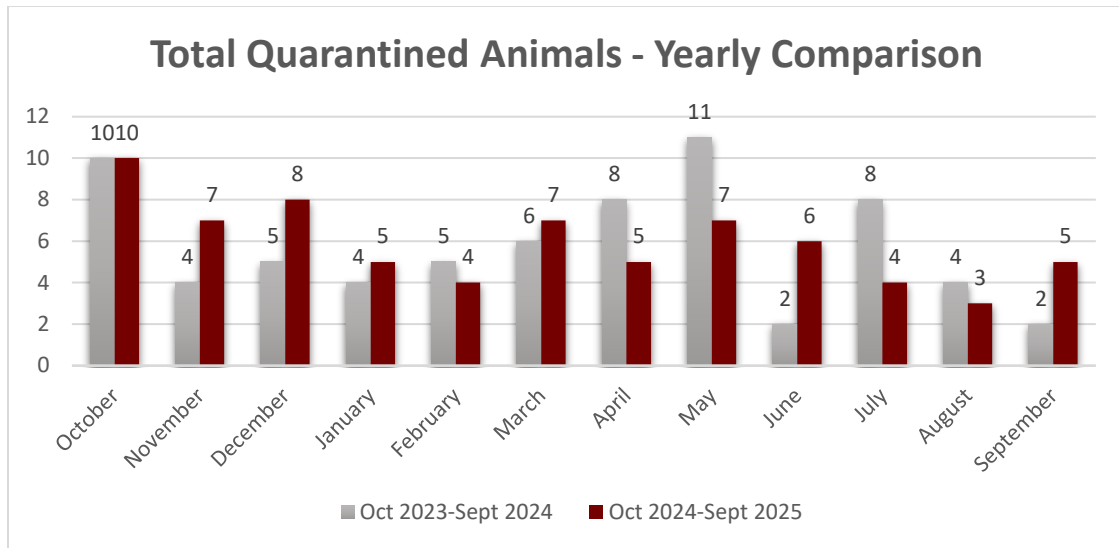


Volunteers



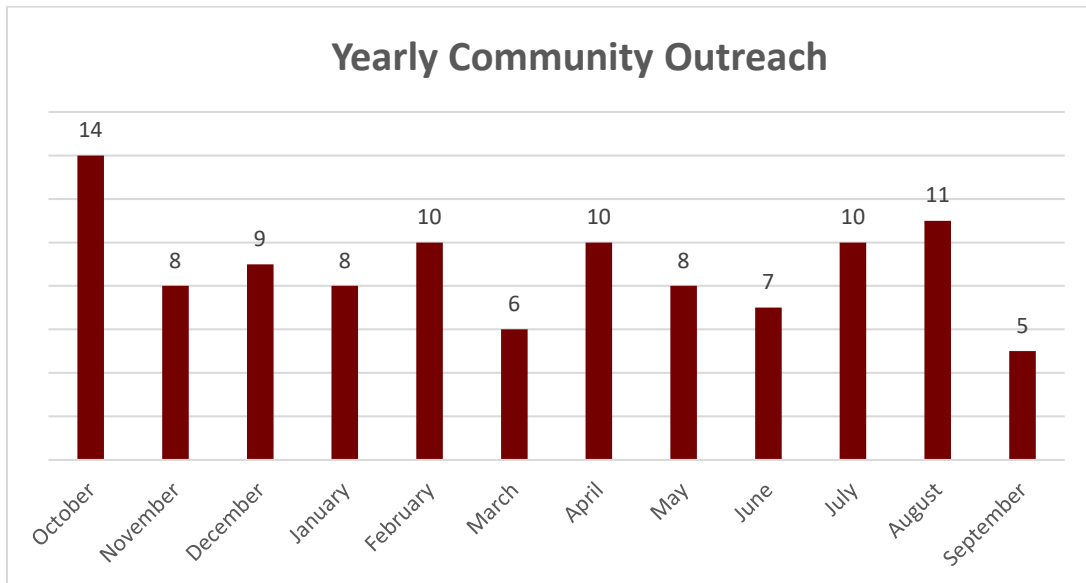
Volunteers perform a myriad of tasks at the shelter from walking dogs, to playing with puppies and kittens. It is very beneficial for the animals to be able to spend some time outside of their cage with one-on-one human contact. Socializing and daily exercise helps reduce stress on the animals and also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

Definitation of Terms can be found here:

www.burlesontx.com/terms

Item A.

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Animal Services
FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager
MEETING: November 5, 2025

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss the adoption trailer update. (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

SUMMARY:

The bid for the trailer was awarded to Renown Cargo Trailers and the contract has been signed. The trailer is still under construction.

OPTIONS:

N/A - Informational only

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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The Adoption Trailer

Item B.



The adoption trailer has been approved and is in construction.



The Adoption Trailer



Upcoming: The communications team will create a design for the trailer wrap with all the sponsors names and or logos.





Question and Comments ?

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Animal Services

FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: November 5, 2025

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss the migratory bird prevention efforts. (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

SUMMARY:

Shelter staff will be passing out flyers starting this month in an effort to stop any egrets from nesting.

OPTIONS:

N/A - Informational only

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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Egrets

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Photos from 2024 Rookery



Community Outreach



In 2024, an egret rookery was established in the Shady Oaks neighborhood. Since egrets are federally protected once nesting begins, neither the city nor the residents could remove them.

The large number of birds in the rookery caused significant disruption, including excessive noise, unpleasant odors, and damage to trees and grass.

Animal Control Officers patrolled for Egrets every morning and evening and also investigated any sightings beginning in March and ending in June 2025. Total for both was 204 calls.

No rookeries were established in Burleson in 2025.



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TEXAS

City of Burleson Neighborhood Services

February 2025
Community Information

Prevention of Migratory Birds in 2025

The Cattle Egret

Is a stocky heron with a wingspan of 35" to 38" approx. 18" to 22" in height and weighs 9.5 to 18.7 oz.

Mainly white plumage, a yellow bill and long grayish yellow legs.

The EGRET feed mostly on insects, especially grasshoppers, crickets, flies, moths and spiders. They will eat frogs, lizards and earthworms.

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Migratory Birds (Egrets/Herons)

Texas is a major route for migratory birds shuttling between the United States and Canada. This annual event can impact residential, commercial and industrial properties. As you may know, your neighborhood and surrounding area has been affected by nesting egrets and herons. Initially only a few birds arrived during the early spring (March and April) of this year and abruptly hundreds of birds moved in and began establishing nests for nesting season.

Although this natural cycle can be beautiful, the challenges associated can be overwhelming. The nesting birds bring challenges such as noise, odor and significant amounts of excrement covering streets, sidewalks, cars and mailboxes on public and private property.

City staff is unable to address any of these issues while the birds are nesting. Cattle egrets are Protected under the Federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act, which means that these birds or their young (including eggs), or their current **active nests** cannot be killed or destroyed. Violators are subject to hefty fines and/or penalties.



**EARLY SPRING
HABITAT HARRASMENT PROGRAM**

NOISE ↔

Frequent Loud noise will keep the EGRET in flight and eventually move on. AIR HORNS are commercially available at Wal-Mart, Sam's and auto supply shops. Wood spoon, Pots / Pans Drums, trumpet, etc. will do as well. Make sure your neighbor(s) have been consulted

LIGHT ↔

Laser light, high power spot light, red lenses, strobe light, red flashing light will also keep them from wanting to nest on your property. These are also available commercially and are relatively inexpensive.

WATER

High pressure water works well in preventing new (non active) nests from being formed. EGRETS don't like the water spray and will keep from landing and roosting.

OVER →

BURLESON | **Animal Services**
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Preventing Migratory Bird Nesting Homeowner Checklist

February-March

- Remove any old, abandoned nests.
- Trim your trees. Remove deadwood, thin tree canopy to allow sunlight between limbs/trees.
- Familiarize yourself with "sentry" birds. They are the first to arrive, looking for good nesting places.
- Find out how your neighborhood plans to distribute news of bird sightings.
- Watch for "sentry" birds and report sightings to your neighbors.
- Each species has a different breeding period. Be on the lookout for these birds beginning in:
 - February - Yellow-Crowned Night Heron
 - March - Cattle Egret, Great Egret, Great Blue Heron, Little Blue Heron, Snowy Egret

Check daily for birds and nesting material in your trees.

Begin scare tactics as soon as you see birds on or near your property.

- Use noisemakers, water spray or shine lights at night.
- Hang "scare eye" balloons or other moving objects in trees.
- Use long poles, tennis balls or water hoses to disturb early nesting material.

- The City has two migratory bird deterrent sound systems that can be strategically placed in areas to discourage Egrets from settling in neighborhoods.
- The City's Animal Service Department will be on high patrol during the start of the nesting period and can deploy preventive noise making devices.






DO NOT HARM BIRDS OR EGGS. Migratory birds are protected by international treaty. Once birds begin sitting on nests, eggs are probably present. You cannot kill, harass, move or disturb the birds during nesting season.

If you have dead birds on your property, you can call Animal Services at 817-426-9283 for pick-up.



Cattle Egret



Yellow-Crowned Night Heron



Snowy Egret



Great Blue Heron

Deterrent kits

Item C.



TIPS ON INSTALLING & USING BIRD DETERRENTS

SCARE EYE BALLOON



Placement:
Install the Scare Eye Balloon above trees, ensuring the Mylar tail hangs approximately 12 inches above the tree and remains highly visible to birds.

Coverage:
Use one Scare Eye Balloon per tree. Hang balloons near and around the problem area or in the flight path of the birds for maximum effectiveness.

Combination Deterrents:
Visual bird deterrents work best when paired with additional audio or visual deterrents.

Movement is key:
Ensure the Scare Eye Balloon can move freely in the wind, as its motion enhances its effectiveness.

JET NOZZLE FOR HOSE



Spray pesky birds with water from your garden hose. Even water birds don't enjoy being hit with a steady stream of water, so try blasting unwanted guests with your garden hose. Note,

however, that they should be sprayed right when they arrive on your property. If they have time to establish a roost, a slight shower won't deter them from visiting their nests. Remember, this method cannot be used once the birds have begun nesting.

BIRD SCARE RIBBON



Placement:
Hang the streamers around the perimeter of the area you want to protect, like gardens, balconies, fruit trees, or pool decks.

Height variation:
Hang streamers at different heights to maximize their movement and visual impact.

Spacing:
Space the streamers evenly apart to cover the entire area effectively.

Movement is key:
Ensure the streamers can flutter freely in the wind, as the movement is what deters birds.

Secure attachment:
Use sturdy clips or ties to secure the streamers to branches, railings, or other structures.

TIPS ON INSTALLING & USING BIRD DETERRENTS



AIR HORN

Use it at the right time
Use the air horn when birds are most active, such as when they are returning to

their roosting spot.

Use it sparingly
Avoid using the air horn too often, as this can cause noise pollution and make animals desensitized to the sound.

Direct the sound
Point the air horn towards the ground or away from people to minimize disturbance.

Use it with visual devices
Combine the air horn with visual devices, such as scarecrows or fake owls, to make the strategy more effective.

Use it in conjunction with other sounds
Use high-quality recordings of alarm and distress calls at a volume that birds are used to hearing.

It can take several days to move birds using sonic devices. Leaving the noise devices on constantly can make birds realize that the noise is not a threat to them.

Note: City's Code of Ordinances; Chapter 34 Environment, Article V Noise Section 34-191 Noise

Method of noise measurement.
Noise measurement shall be a minimum of 30 seconds in duration. Decibel levels are measured from the complainant's property line. For residential districts adjacent to other districts (excluding industrial zoning districts), the residential decibel levels apply when measured from a residential complainant's property line. Violations will be determined based on the highest registered reading in the measurement. All measurement levels will be inclusive of any ambient noise that exists at the time of the measurement.

We suggest you speak to your neighbors and inform them that you are planning to utilize the air horn to deter the birds from your property, and encourage them to seek deterrent measures as well.

Egret Education Party



On September 11, 2025 Animal Services staff along with city council and city management hosted a Egret Education Party in the Shady Oaks neighborhood to celebrate the efforts it took to keep Burleson rookery free in 2025 and to prepare for the upcoming 2026 season.





Question/Comments?

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Animal Services
FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager
MEETING: November 5, 2025

SUBJECT:

Summary of animal services community outreach efforts. (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

SUMMARY:

Animal Services Officer Shelby Welch attends local events and holds off-site adoptions at some events to help with the shelter's overpopulation. Officer Brennan Jones attends the Assisted Living program.

Offsite Adoption Events:

September 10 Yappy Hour

Community Outreach Events:

- Clifford attends weekly visits to Mustang Creek Estates and Mariposa with Officer Brennan Jones. (Assisted Living)
- Egret Education and Information
- Adoptable Pets of the Quarter
- Career day presentations at the BRiCK Summer Camp
- Luau party at Mustang Creek

OPTIONS:

N/A - Informational only

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

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Community Outreach

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Community Outreach

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- Career day presentations at Brick Summer Camp
- Adoptable Pet of the Quarter with City Council
- Fall Yappy Hour

Community Outreach



Item D.

- Color with Clifford at the Library (upcoming event)
- Weekly visits to the Burleson Police Department
- Weekly visits to local assisted living locations
- Luau party at Mustang Creek Estates



Question and Comments ?

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT: Animal Services
FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager
MEETING: November 5, 2025

SUBJECT:

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

SUMMARY:

Burleson Animal Services held the following fundraisers:

- Poorly drawn pets
- Shelter calendar for adopted pets
- Pumpkin Paws

OPTIONS:

N/A - Informational only

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

FISCAL IMPACT:

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Fundraisers

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2026 Calendar

Item E.



**FEATURING
YOUR
PET!**



**2026
CALENDAR**

**RESERVE YOUR
SPOT TODAY-
SPACES ARE
LIMITED!**

The fee is \$100. Months will be reserved on a first come, first served basis. All proceeds will support the Burleson Animal Shelter.

**BURLESON
Animal
Services**

Pet owners have the opportunity to reserve a spot to feature their pets in the upcoming 2026 calendar.

Poorly Drawn Pets



Individuals submitted a picture of their pet and a volunteer “artist” was randomly selected to create a portrait of their pet.



Question/Comments ?