



CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE
ANIMAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Hendersonville Police Department
Tuesday, January 13, 2026 – 5:30 PM



AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A. Approval of November 12, 2025 Meeting Minutes - *Angela Prodrick, Chair***
- 5. OLD BUSINESS**
- 6. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Discussion of Henderson County Animal Welfare Survey - *Angela Prodrick, Chair***
- 7. ADJOURNMENT**

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Regular Meeting

City of Hendersonville

Animal Services Advisory Committee

November 12, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m.

Hendersonville Police Department | 630 Ashe St. | Hendersonville NC 28792

Item A.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm by Caroline Gunther.

Members present: Caroline Gunther, Angela Prodrick, Dalleen Jackson-McClasky, Jean Greeson, Melissa Vazquez, Marianne Pendleton, Beth Scarborough, Katie Weibel, Holly Newton (Zoom).

City Staff present: Civilian Animal Control Officer Kelsey Galloway, and Secretary Melissa Justus.

2. Public Comment

No Public Comment

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Caroline Gunther to approve the agenda with the addition of Officer Discussion as Item A, Old Business. Melissa Vazquez seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed.

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Angela Prodrick to approve the September 9, 2025, meeting minutes. Melissa Vazquez seconded the motion and unanimous vote followed.

5. Old Business – Officer Discussion

A. Caroline Gunther is stepping away from her role as Chair. She will be traveling for many of the remaining meetings. Caroline made a motion to approve Angela Prodrick as Chair of the Committee. Jean Greeson seconded the motion and a unanimous vote followed.

6. New Business

- A. Animal Resource Suggestions** – Marianne Pendleton came up with a list of Animal Resource Suggestions that she thought would be beneficial on the City of Hendersonville webpage. (Attached) Caroline sent the list and spoke with the Communications department and Chief Myhand and they think this information would be better suited on a government website versus a local government website.
- B. Review Animal Calls for Service** – Kelsey shared and explained the calls for service from 9/25-11/25. (Attached) Holly asked what resources are available for low-income citizens that need straw for outside animals. Kelsey recommended Lowe's for straw and Angela advised that Blue Ridge Humane Society would be able to help if needed.

Committee recognized Caroline Gunther for her excellent service.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, Angela Prodrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 pm.

Approved by: _____
Angela Prodrick, Chair

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Hendersonville Website Animal Resource Suggestions

Compiled by Marianne Pendleton

Notes:

1. This document contains menu items only – it is be viewed as a jumping off point intended to start a conversation of the animal information needs of the various local communities.
2. Items are listed in alphabetical order – not order of importance.

ANIMAL RESOURCES

- **Adopt Don't Shop**
 - Asheville Humane Society
 - Binx's Home for Back Cats (cats only)
 - Blue Ridge Humane Society
 - Brother Wolf Animal Rescue
 - Charlie's Angels Animal Rescue
 - Furever Friends of Asheville (cats only)
 - Henderson County Animal Services Center
 - Mountain Pet Rescue
 - Sister Kitten Animal Rescue (cats only)
- **Animal Abuse**
 - City - Hendersonville Police Non-Emergency - (828) 697-3025
 - County – Office of the Sheriff – 828-697- 4911
- **Animal Ordinance**
 - Official Version
 - Plain English Version
- **Dead Animal Removal**
 - The North Carolina Department of Transportation
- **Lost/Found Animals**
 - Contact the Henderson County Animal Services Center
 - Post to
 - Nextdoor.com
 - PawBoost.com
 - Facebook Pages
 - Asheville Cat Weirdos
 - Asheville Dog Weirdos
 - Blue Ridge Humane Society - Lost & Found Pet Spotters
 - Lost and Found Pets of Henderson County North Carolina
 - Lost and Found Pets, Hendersonville, Rutherfordton, Marion NC
 - WNC Pet Connect - rehome, adopt, lost, found

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- **Low-Cost Spay Neuter Resources**
 - ASPCA Spay/Neuter Alliance
 - Blue Ridge Humane Society SNIP Program
 - Brother Wolf Mobile Clinic
 - Friends2Ferals – cats only
 - Sister Kitten – cats only

- **Low-Cost Basic Care/Testing/Vaccine Services**
 - Blue Ridge Humane Society Vaccine Clinics
 - Pet Supplies Plus Veterinary Clinics
 - Petco Clinics
 - Tractor Supply PetVet Clinic

- **Pet Food Assistance**
 - Blue Ridge Humane Society Giveaways

- **Rehoming Your Pet**
 - Henderson County Animal Services Center

- **Support Our Local Pet Supplies Merchants**
 - Barkers Anonymous – closed temporarily
 - Petco
 - PetSmart – closed temporarily
 - Pet Source
 - Wag

- **Wounded Animals/Abandoned Babies**
 - Appalachian Wildlife Refuge – wild animals
 - Esther's Neonatal Kitten Alliance – tiny kittens
 - Friends2Ferals- wounded cats
 - Sister Kitten – wounded pets
 - Pat Newton – wounded possums and abandoned babies

Calls for Service Sept 2025 - November 2025

Animal Health & Welfare - 7

Animal Vehicle - 6

Animal - 33

Cat Trap - 24

Animal Stray - 55

Animal Noise - 5

Animal Chain - 0

Animal Bite - 14

Animal Sick - 13 (most of these were the fox)

Animal Follow Up - 24

I emailed Amber about creating a wildlife call option.

HENDERSON COUNTY ANIMAL WELFARE SURVEY

LAUNCH DATE: SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

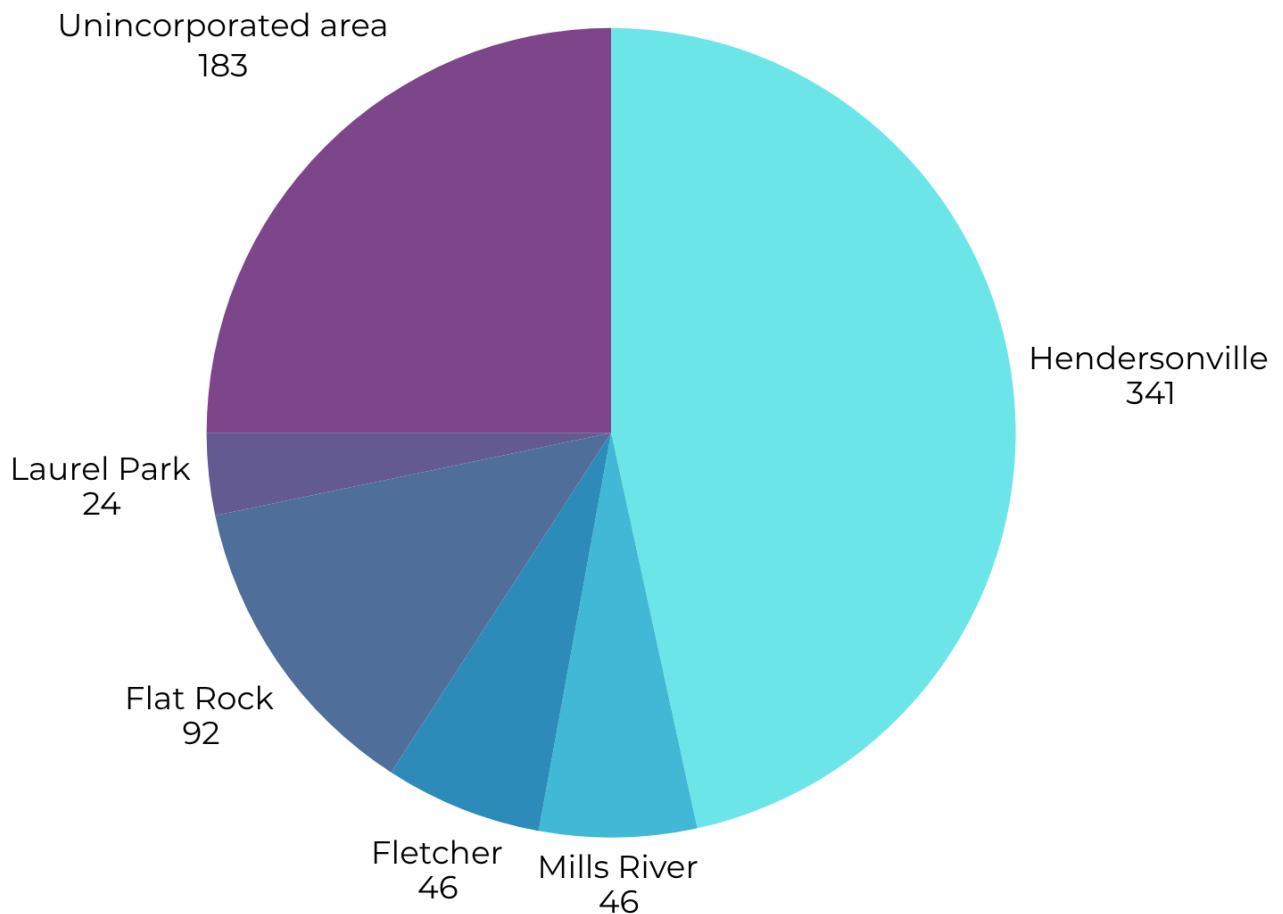
CONCLUSION DATE: ESTIMATED MID-NOVEMBER

We received a total of 934 respondents (which is above and beyond a survey of this type given the kind of coverage we were able to bring to the public over it.)

1. Are you a
Henderson
county resident?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	95.06% 905
No	4.94% 47
TOTAL	952

2. If Yes, which (if any) municipality do you live in?



3. What species of animal do you have? And how many?

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Companion (dogs, cats)	31.56% 232	28.84% 212	17.96% 132	11.16% 82	5.31% 39	1.77% 13	1.09% 8	0.82% 6	0.27% 2	1.22% 9	735
Fowl (chickens, roosters, ducks, geese, turkeys, etc.)	9.09% 5	3.64% 2	5.45% 3	1.82% 1	9.09% 5	10.91% 6	3.64% 2	3.64% 2	1.82% 1	50.91% 28	55
Exotics (birds, fish, reptiles, etc.)	49.09% 27	14.55% 8	10.91% 6	3.64% 2	1.82% 1	3.64% 2	1.82% 1	0.00% 0	1.82% 1	12.73% 7	55
Livestock (pigs, sheep, goats, cows, mules, llamas, etc.)	22.22% 4	16.67% 3	0.00% 0	5.56% 1	11.11% 2	5.56% 1	5.56% 1	0.00% 0	5.56% 1	27.78% 5	18
Equine (horses, ponies, etc.)	52.00% 13	12.00% 3	12.00% 3	4.00% 1	8.00% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	4.00% 1	0.00% 0	8.00% 2	25
Small Mammal (Guinea pigs, rabbits, ferrets, hamsters, gerbils, chinchillas, sugar gliders, etc.)	54.55% 18	24.24% 8	0.00% 0	6.06% 2	0.00% 0	12.12% 4	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3.03% 1	33

4. Are any of the animals above used in agricultural purposes?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	4.37% 33
No	95.63% 723
TOTAL	756

5. On a scale of 1-5, 1 being least and 5 being most, how concerned are you about the vaccination status of pets in your area?

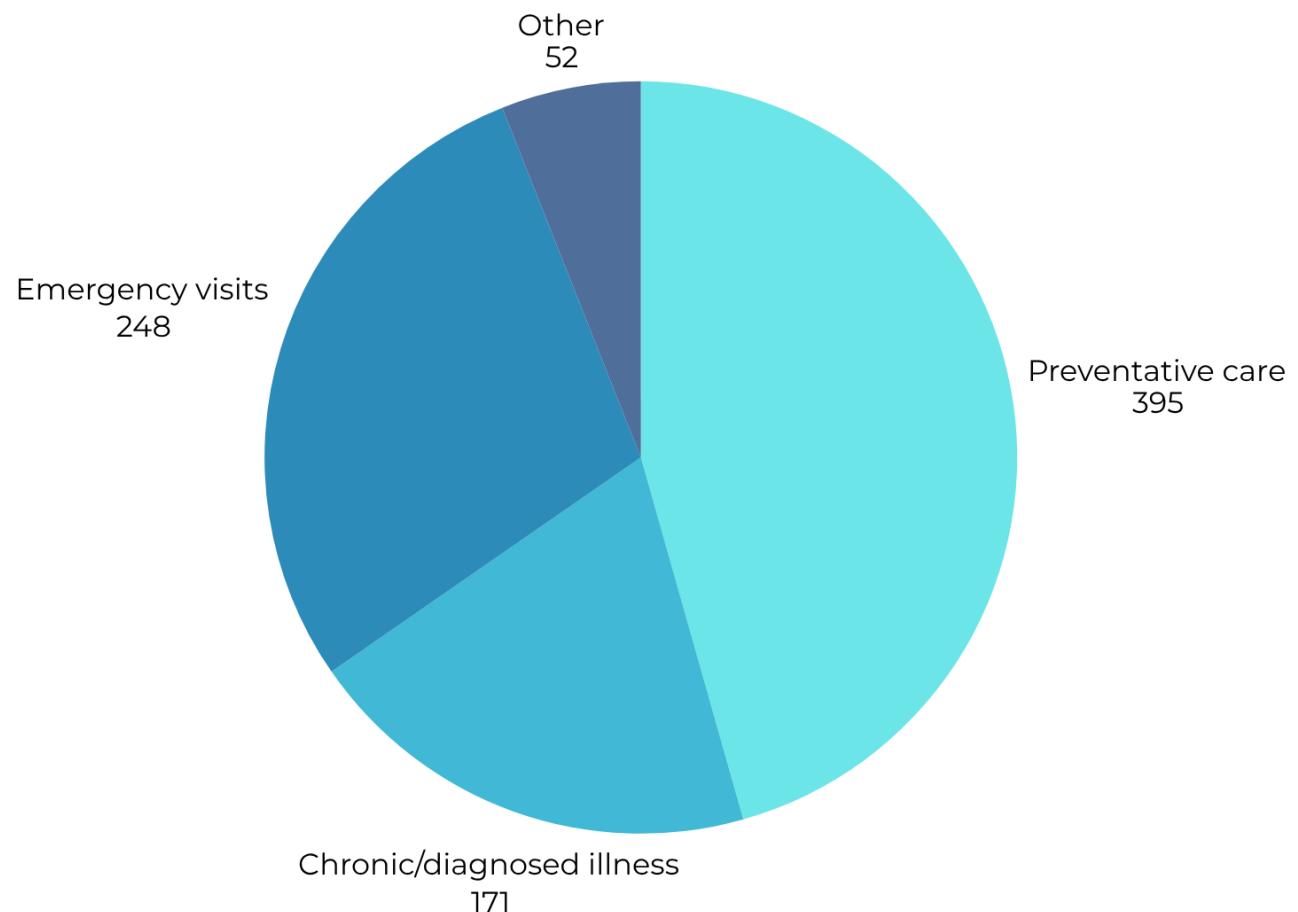
AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
3	2,425	746

6. What are your primary concerns for your own animals?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Affordability	50.48% 369
Veterinary care	76.61% 560
Housing (pet-friendly options)	22.02% 161
Grooming	17.10% 125
Daycare/Boarding	21.61% 158
Training	17.65% 129
Safe exercise / socialization	43.64% 319
Other	9.99% 73

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7. Do you have specific health concerns regarding your pet?

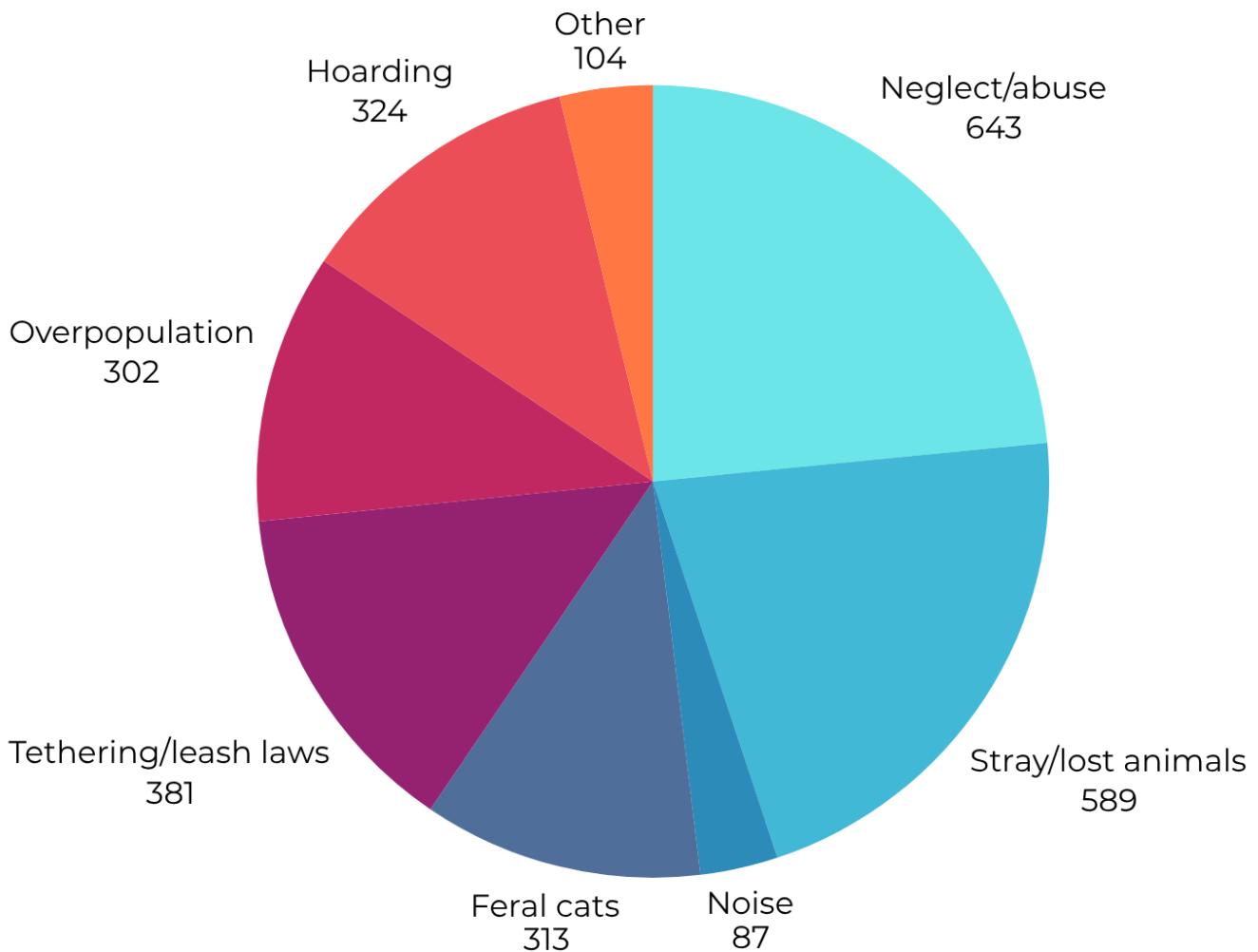


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8. What is your anticipated household budget for your animal's wellness this year (vet care, food, maintenance, etc.)?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Less than \$100	2.95% 22
\$100+	10.04% 75
\$500+	23.43% 175
\$1000+	37.88% 283
\$3000+	25.70% 192
TOTAL	747

9. What are your concerns for the general animal population?



10. Have you or someone you know in Henderson County encountered issues with agricultural/farm animals in residential areas (livestock, fowl, large animal)?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	10.28% 78
No	89.72% 681
TOTAL	759

11. What resources for animal wellness in Henderson County would you like to know more about?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Food access	30.88% 176
Low-cost spay and neuter	59.30% 338
Low-cost vaccine/microchip clinic	65.44% 373
Pet insurance	39.12% 223
Other	12.63% 72
Total Respondents: 570	

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