

ANIMAL SHELTER 2920

SUMMARY INFORMATION

DEPARTMENT MANAGER:

Ed Henschel, City Administrator

LINKAGE TO STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL AREAS: Goal 3

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

This division of the City is responsible for the transport and immediate care of lost or stray animals, enforcement of City Ordinances and State Statutes relating to the same.

SERVICES:

The City contracts with the Humane Animal Welfare Society (HAWS) and takes appropriate enforcement action relative to animal-related violations within the City.

HAWS provide a variety of services:

1. **Adoptions** – about 2000 animals are adopted out each year from HAWS. All animals are given basic health checks and first shots, as well as being micro-chipped and neutered or spayed before adoption.
2. **Animal Rescue**
Municipal Contracts – HAWS responds to stray domestic animal reports and reports of sick or injured wildlife, transporting and impounding them.
Emergency and Disaster Response – HAWS maintains equipment for temporary housing and sheltering of animals if requested by local emergency management and/or the Red Cross in the event of a local emergency event.
Wildlife Issues – HAWS works with the DNR on occasion, assisting with troubled wildlife.
3. **Educational Programs** – Many popular programs are in place to teach responsible pet ownership and compassion toward animals.
4. **End of life services** – HAWS offers euthanasia and cremation services to the public and local veterinary clinics to end the suffering of animals in need.
5. **Sheltering services** – HAWS helps to reunite missing animals with their owners and is an impound facility for Waukesha County for rabies quarantine.
6. **SNIP clinic** – HAWS offers affordable spay/neuter services through their Spay / Neuter Initiative Program (SNIP) to address overpopulation issues, with a reduce fee for low income community members. The Outdoor Cat Initiative was begun in 2005 to curb the breeding population of outdoor cats, and it operates on a donation only basis with property owners as caretakers.
7. **Behavior department** – HAWS offers behavior counseling and training for alumni, educational programs for the public and rescue organizations, and behavior modification and enrichment activities for animals while they are at the facility.

ACTIVITY MEASURES:

ACTIVITY	2010	2012 *
Abandoned Animals	16	3
Humane Officer/Police Assistance	46	39
Owner Surrender of Animal	568	444
Request Euthanasia / DOA	360	357
Pick up Call - No Animal Present	29	13
Stray Pick up	179	101
Stray Pick up - Injured Animal	39	4
Stray Walk-in	426	129
Stray Walk-in - Injured Animal	71	5
Rabies Quarantine	20	6
Adoptions	409	191
Wildlife Intakes	216	149
Spay/Neuter Clinic Services	279	142
Microchip Walk-ins	13	8
# Attended Kids & Critters Summer Camp	127	121
# Winter Campers	22	15
# Humane Education Program Students	1,075	960

* thru 6/30/12

BUDGET SUMMARY:

Major Expense Category	2011 Actual	2012 Budget	2012 Y/E Est	2013 Adopted	% Change
Contractual Services	\$45,623	\$45,623	\$45,623	\$45,623	0.00%
Total	\$45,623	\$45,623	\$45,623	\$45,623	0.00%