

## **ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT**

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Community and Economic Development Department

Engineering & Survey Services Department

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Planning Department

Roads Department

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Board of Supervisors  
Kern County Administrative Center  
1115 Truxtun Avenue  
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### **ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT #39 (ALL S.D.s) FISCAL IMPACT: None**

On September 6, 2005, your Board acted upon many of the recommendations contained in the Citygate Associates, LLC (Citygate) review of the then Animal Control Services Division. Recommendation II-6 was for staff to provide your Board with a monthly report to update you on progress concerning Kern County Animal Control Department (Department) improvement efforts and other matters. This is the thirty-ninth such report.

#### **Program Highlights**

- Approximately 281.5 hours were donated by volunteers in the areas of veterinarian service, veterinary medical care, shelter office support, photography for adoptions, adoption center, grooming adoptable animals and exercising of adoptable dogs.
- The second off-site adoption program was held at PETCO. The Friends of the Kern County Animal Shelters Foundation helped coordinate Department trained volunteers to pick up the animals, transport to the sites, facilitate adoptions and return any remaining animals to the shelter. I am happy to report that 4 of the 6 dogs brought to the event were adopted.
- The low cost Spay/Neuter Voucher Program for low income participants was implemented on November 10. Appearances by the Director on two early morning television news programs helped the Department issue over 70 vouchers in the first two weeks. The Department's Division Chief and the Marketing and Promotions Associate will continue to work with the media to promote this program.
- A special one day incentive program was conducted in association with KERO Channel 23. The goal was to have viewers of the early morning news broadcast to come to the shelter and adopt a cat for a reduced fee. The goal was to adopt 10 cats from the shelter. All 10 cats were adopted by the end of the day.

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- An early morning sweep of the Lamont area was conducted. This involved 7 Animal Control Officers working 1.5 hours patrolling residential and school zones. The following are the enforcement results of the sweep:
  - 11 animals were impounded
  - 31 citations were issued for license and vaccination violations
  - 24 citations were issued for violations of the leash law

**Key Statistics**

**INTAKES NOVEMBER 2007 & 2008**

	ADOPT RETURN		QUARANTINE		SEIZURE		STRAY		OWNERSURRENDER		Total	
	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09
CAT	2	0	0	1	0	1	777	859	44	87	823	948
DOG	2	4	2	4	26	27	1,121	1,213	200	171	1,351	1,419
OTHER	0	0	0	0	10	3	31	3	0	1	41	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1,929</b>	<b>2,075</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>2,215</b>	<b>2,374</b>

**OUTCOMES NOVEMBER 2007 & 2008**

OUTCOME TYPE	ADOPTION		RESCUE		RTO		EUTHANIZED		TRANSFER		MISC.*		OUTCOME TOTAL	
	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09
NOVEMBER														
ANIMAL TYPE														
CAT	49	80	4	8	4	6	711	853	1	4	35	62	804	1,013
DOG	165	211	109	155	118	104	928	870	7	34	16	29	1,343	1,403
OTHER **	2	1	0	1	0	2	13	3	0	1	1	2	16	10
<b>OUTCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>1,652</b>	<b>1,726</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>2,163</b>	<b>2,426</b>

MISC\* = died, disposal, escaped, missing, unknown

OTHER\*\* = mammal, bird, reptile,

livestock

ADOPTION		RESCUE		RTO		EUTHANIZED		TRANSFER		MISC.*	
07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09	07-08	08-09
<b>10%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>&lt;1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>4%</b>

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2008 Medical Evaluations Classification													
Month	MTA*	Local Vet	Emergency-Injury Off Truck			Non Emergency Evaluation (Vet Exam)			Recheck	Pre-Sx	KWT**	In-House Surgeries	Total
			ACO/KC	ACO/BC	ACW	ACO/KC	ACO/BC	ACW					
Jan	503	0	13	1	51	36	28	142	117	257	136	21	1305
Feb	504	0	12	9	45	25	16	136	96	316	220	36	1415
Mar	542	0	32	5	132	22	19	110	133	122	163	0	1280
Apr	564	0	18	5	86	40	14	115	119	37	181	0	1179
May	425	0	25	4	78	34	21	151	106	0	200	0	1044
Jun	427	0	4	2	33	42	23	107	42	0	89	0	769
July	444	0	14	0	29	16	14	100	39	0	66	0	722
Aug	502	0	3	1	43	31	11	104	52	0	97	0	844
Sep	475	0	12	0	52	24	11	124	34	0	62	4	798
Oct	515	0	9	5	140	71	3	98	39	3	103	4	990
Nov	496	0	2	0	66	41	12	99	34	2	101	2	855
Dec	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5397</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>1286</b>	<b>811</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>1418</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>11201</b>

**\*Move to Adoption (MTA) Exams Include:**

1. Physical Screening Exam
2. Prophylactic deworming for roundworms
3. Flea/tick spray "Frontline" applied (non pesticide)
4. I.D. of congenital abnormalities, age, previous spay or neuter, etc.

**ACO/KC** Animal Control Officer - Kern County  
**ACO/BC** Animal Control Officer - Bakersfield City  
**ACW** Animal Care Worker - Shelter  
**MTA \*** Move to Adoption Exams  
**KWT\*\*** Kennel Walk Through

**Recommendation**

Therefore, IT IS RECOMMENDED that your Board receive and file this report.

Sincerely,

Guy Shaw, R.E.H.S.  
 Director

cc: County Administrative Officer  
 Animal Control Commission  
 Resource Management Agency