

# **Animal Services Department Update**

September 10, 2025

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## **Animal Services Performance Scorecard**

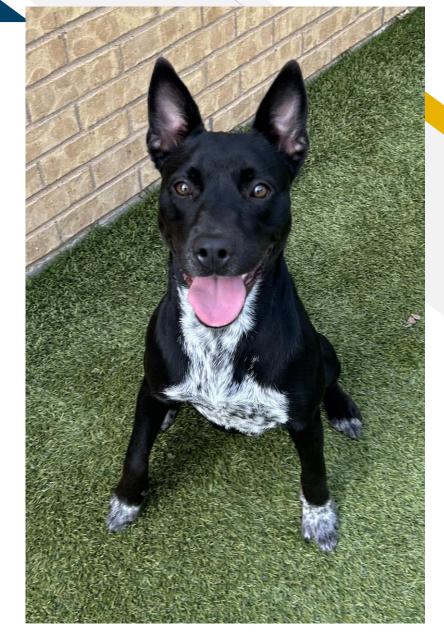
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Intakes				
	Cats	Dogs	Other	Wildlife
May	233	162	6	25
June	231	151	17	12
July	141	121	12	19

Outcomes –Dom					
	Adoptions	Return to Owner	Transfer	Total ALL Outcomes	LRR
May	204	56	16	363	89.80%
June	212	39	7	337	90.30%
July	268	40	12	402	92.90%

## **Vet Clinic Spay/Neuter Stats**

Species	FY '25	FY '24	FY '23	FY '22
Cat	1,200	1,505	1,069	1,055
Dog	608	1,179	865	1,183
Other	5	16	13	21
TOTAL	1,800 YTD	2,341	1,947	2,259



## **Council Items Update**

- Schedule of Fees
  - Approved 6.17.25
  - Effective 7.1.25
- Responsible Euthanasia Policy
  - Adopted 6.17.25
- County Interlocal Agreement
  - Approved by COD Council 6.17.25
  - Approved by County Commissioners Court 6.29.25



## **Shelter Events & Community Engagement**

#### **Clear the Shelters**

- Month-long, nationwide pet adoption and donation campaign
- Reduced and fee waived adoptions to promote adoptions.
- Participated in Mega Adoption Event hosted by the Humane Society of North Texas on August 16 and 17.
  - Seven Denton Animal Shelter dogs were adopted, contributing to a total of 760 adoptions throughout the course of the 2-day event
- As of 8/29/25, 234 dogs and cats have been adopted during the promotion

#### Clear The Shelter Adoption Specials

- All August: 50% off all adoption fees.
- August 7-9: All dog adoption fees are waived.
- August 16-17: Waived dog adoption fees at the Mega Adopt Event.
- August 23: All adoption fees were waived for main Clear the Shelter event







#### **Community Microchipping**

- Free microchipping of Denton pets (Aug 26-Sept 30)
- Advertising via resident newsletter and social media
- Also providing rabies vaccinations for unvaccinated pets during promotion
- Residents can make appointment via email

#### **Denton FUR Life**

- Bi-monthly article in Community newsletter
- Provides timely and relevant information on pet ownership to residents

#### **Denton FUR Life**

#### The Tiny Chip That Makes a Big Difference

Dentonites love their pets, and one of the best ways to keep them safe is by making sure they're microchipped. Collars and ID tags are a great start, but they can be lost or damaged. A microchip, on the other hand, provides a permanent form of identification linked to your contact details in a national database. The process is quick, affordable, and as simple as a routine vaccination.



Denton Animal Services offers microchipping year-round for just \$25 with no appointment

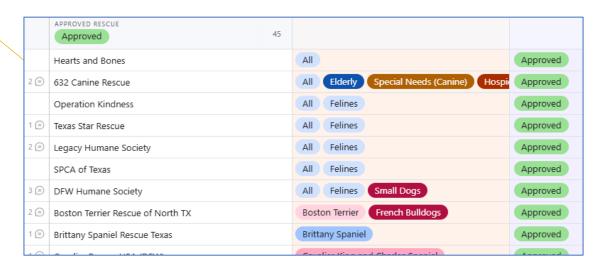
needed. Even better, if you mention this article before **Sept. 30,** your pet can be microchipped **FOR FREE at the shelter!** 

To schedule your visit, email animal.services@cityofdenton.com.

Don't wait—take this simple step today to ensure your pet is protected FUR life! Location: Linda McNatt Animal Care & Adoption Center, 3717 N Elm St.

### **Rescue Placements and Notable Adoptions**

- Rescue Placements
  - July, 3 dogs & 9 cats
  - August, 4 dogs & 3 cats & 7 guinea pigs
- Rescue Roster
  - Continue to update partner list
  - Networking additional placement partners





Rowena adopted 8/21/25 Intake 5/10/25





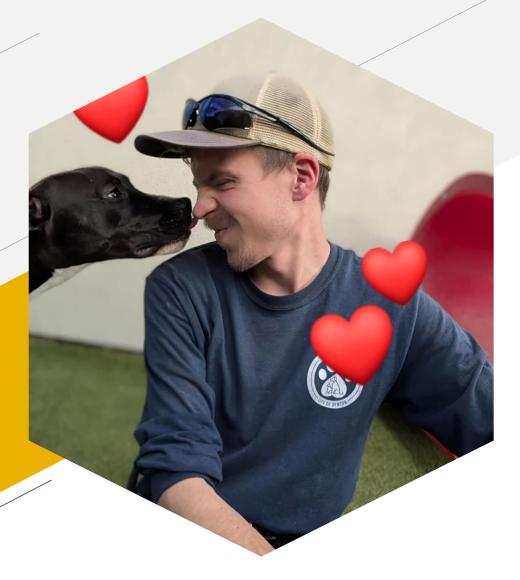
Spot adopted 8/17/25 Intake 3/30/25



## **Volunteer Program Update**

- Conducted 10 small group orientations across June and July to create safer, more engaged, and well-prepared volunteers
- Implemented a color-coded kennel card system to improve clarity on animal handling eligibility and enhance safety measures
- Launched a new volunteer newsletter and Facebook Community Page to keep volunteers informed, connected, and engaged
- Collaborated with Legal and Risk Management departments to review and update minimum age requirements for volunteer participation
- Initiated a partnership with Target's local leadership to support shelter operations through community engagement.
- Engaging with local schools and civic groups to expand group and team-building volunteer opportunities





**Questions?**