



Animal Services Department Update

September 10, 2025



Animal Services Performance Scorecard

- [Website Link to online dashboard](#)

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

Outcomes –Domestics					
	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

APPROVED RESCUE		45		
	Approved			
	Hearts and Bones	All		Approved
2	632 Canine Rescue	All	Elderly Special Needs (Canine) Hospit	Approved
	Operation Kindness	All	Felines	Approved
1	Texas Star Rescue	All	Felines	Approved
2	Legacy Humane Society	All	Felines	Approved
	SPCA of Texas	All	Felines	Approved
3	DFW Humane Society	All	Felines Small Dogs	Approved
2	Boston Terrier Rescue of North TX	Boston Terrier	French Bulldogs	Approved
1	Brittany Spaniel Rescue Texas	Brittany Spaniel		Approved
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Rowena adopted 8/21/25
Intake 5/10/25



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



Tiny, the Spaniel puppy,
was tagged by DFW Cocker
Spaniel rescue

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?