



Kern County Animal Services

Director's Report

March 2020

Through

July 2021

Program Highlights

Pet Food Assistance

- Since mid-August of 2020, Animal Services has offered a pet food donation program to the community that is available every Wednesday and Sunday between the hours of 8am and 12 noon. Over 5,000 lbs of dog and cat food has been given out to keep pets with their families.

Spay/Neuter

- Animal Services partnered with the SnipBus beginning in late December of 2020 to bring mobile spay and neuter services to County residents. 15 spay and neuter clinics were held and over 520 pets were spayed and neutered.

Homeless Shelter

- In 2013 KCAS implemented a Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program. Through December 2019, 9,625 cats have been altered through the TNR Program.

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Foster

- During the first 30 days of the pandemic, Animal Services sent over 225 animals into foster homes. This nearly emptied out all 3 County animal shelters, and allowed for staff to spend more time in quarantine.

TNR

- Since March of 2020, 3,191 cats have been spayed or neutered, and returned to field. (since the program was started back in 2013, over 13,000 cats have been fixed and released)

Homeless Shelter

- Beginning in November, Animal Services has been providing daily care to animals belonging to clients at the Low-Barrier Navigation Center

Vaccination Clinics

2020-2021

- 704 rabies
- 403 DHPP
- 690 licenses
- 77 FVRCP

Adoptions

- 2,750 animals been adopted since 3/1/2020.

Rescue

- 1,763 dogs and cats were saved by Rescue partners.

Field Services

3/1/2020-6/30/2021	Calls Per Area (previous period in parentheses)
Lake Isabella	837 (1,022)
Mojave	956 (1,265)
North County	521 (698)
Northeast	3,462 (4,549)
Northwest	2,863 (3,281)
Ridgecrest	286 (391)
Southeast	2,107 (2,502)
Southwest	1,508 (2,167)
Taft	1,009 (1,423)
Tehachapi	691 (887)
Total	14,240 (18,185)

- 240 dogs were returned to their owners in the field in 2019.
- 884 dogs were secured on property by Animal Control Officers in 2019.