



County of Mendocino
Department of Animal Care Services
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Mendocino County Animal Care Services

The Animal Care Services program areas include: Shelter, Clinic & Animal Protection Services; these programs provide animal education outreach, adoption, volunteer opportunities, fostering, lost & found services, feral cat trap-neuter-return programs, dog licensing, low cost spay & neuter, veterinary care, animal health education, rabies vaccinations, micro-chipping, impounding lost & stray animals, responding to injured-ill and suspected cruelty complaints and promoting responsible pet ownership.

Effective County Government

During the month of February 2025, 11 cats & 11 dogs were adopted, 7 animals were returned to their owners, and 7 animals were transferred to other animal rescue organizations.

Safe and Healthy Community

During the month of February 2025, the Animal Protection Unit worked 276 calls for service with 47 of the calls being categorized as priority such as "biting animals, cruelty complaints, animals in distress, aggressive loose animals and Law Enforcement Assist."

Thriving Economy

During the month of February 2025, 496 dog licenses were sold resulting in \$17,812.00 in revenue being generated.

Prepared and Resilient County

During the month of February 2025, 83 spay & neuter surgeries were performed in the Clinic, along with 136 rabies vaccinations being administered and 91 microchips implanted.

Other

As we progress through the first months of 2025, our biggest challenge remains the nationwide overpopulation crisis. Staff and volunteers continue to work together to develop new strategies to support the needs of the animals in the community.

We will be focusing on growing our foster program by having a dedicated staff member who will serve as Foster Coordinator. The foster coordinator will be responsible for recruiting new fosters as well as supporting our existing volunteers. We hope to grow our foster program into a successful alternative to sheltering animals on site.

Another important aspect of helping decrease the shelter overpopulation is by working on increasing adoptions. We will do this by focusing on more offsite adoption events as well as continuing to promote adoptions at the shelter. Get ready to see more of our adoptable animals around our community as we partner with local businesses to play videos of available animals and display fliers of upcoming events.

Caravan Update

Our new caravan has been out and about since the end of December 2024. So far 83 spay and neuter surgeries have been performed, 136 rabies vaccines and 91 microchips administered.

