# Montgomery County Animal Care and Control 

2019
$3^{\text {RD }}$ Quarter Report

## Field and Shelter Activity

## FIELD SERVICES

Montgomery County Animal Care and Control provided active and on call animal control service for all areas of Montgomery County and the City of Clarksville for the Third Quarter of 2019.

## Officer Activity

For the Third Quarter of 2019, Animal Control Officers handled 1,270 calls for service. Nearly half of all calls, (38\%) were for a stray domestic animal, normally a dog running at large. Investigations for Welfare/Neglect, Bites, Confined Stray's, Aggressive dogs made up for (44\%) of all calls.

THIRD QUARTER 2019 FIELD SERVICE ACTIVITY


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■ AGGRESSIVE/DANGEROUS DOG - AGGRESSIVE DOG TO DOG
- ANIMALS AT LARGE - BARKING DOG - BITE INVESTIGATION
- CONFINED STRAY
- ASSIST POLICE - POSSIBLE ABANDONMENT
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- ANIMAL HOME CHECK
- BITE INVESTIGATION
- POSSIBLE RABID ANIMAL
- ANIMAL LEFT IN VEHICLE
- CONFINED STRAY
- SICK OR INJURED ANIMAL


## TYPE OF CALL

Aggressive/Dangerous Dog
Aggressive Dog to Dog
Animal Home Check
Animal Left in Vehicle
Animals At Large
Bite Investigations
Confined Stray
Officer Assist
Possible Abandonment
Sick or Injured Animal
Welfare/Neglect
Other
Total
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## FIELD SERVICE CALLS BY ZONES

Animal Control Officers responded to 1,270 calls for service in Montgomery County with a majority of the calls, $(58 \%)$ being in the West portion of Montgomery County/City of Clarksville.


## FIELD SERVICE CALLS BY JURISDICTION

Calls for service that were responded to in Montgomery County were dispersed into the following two Jurisdictions, which covers the Montgomery County outside of the Clarksville City Limits and all unincorporated areas of the County, and within the city limits of Clarksville. ( $88 \%$ ) of all calls for the $3^{\text {RD }}$ Quarter of 2019 occurred within the city of Clarksville and (12\%) of calls for the 3RD Quarter of 2019 occurred in the unincorporated areas of Montgomery County.


## FIELD SERVICE CALLS BY ZIP CODE

Calls for service that were responded to in Montgomery County were dispersed into the following twelve (9), which covers the Montgomery County outside of the Clarksville City Limits and all unincorporated areas of the County, and within the city limits of Clarksville. (50\%) of all calls for the $3^{\text {RD }}$ Quarter of 2019 occurred within the 37042 Zip Code, which compromises the North Central portion of Montgomery County north of the Cumberland River, while ( $25 \%$ ) of calls occurred in Zip Code area 37040, which compromises the Northeast and South Central portion of the County


## OFFICER FIELD ACTIVITY RESULTS

Officers responded to 1,270 calls for service. In response to calls for services officer complete various forms of outcomes to close out and complete these calls ranging from warnings to written reports on the incidents.


## SHELTER AND ADOPTION SERVICES

## Kennel Visitors

The shelter saw over 5,606 people visited the shelter in the $3^{R D}$ Quarter. Most of the visitors indicated they were looking to adopt a pet or trying to locate a lost pet.

## Animals Impounded

In the $3^{\text {RD }}$ Quarter of 2019, 1,272 animals were impounded. Of the animals impounded, $47 \%$ were cats/kittens, $52 \%$ were dogs/puppies.


| Types of Animals Impounded | $\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{3}^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{4}^{\text {th }}$ Quarter |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Dog/Puppies | 443 | 594 | 663 |  |
| Cat/Kittens | 152 | 606 | 594 |  |
| Other | 12 | 20 | 14 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{6 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 7 2}$ |  |

## SHELTER INTAKE REASONS

The shelter took in 1,270 animals in the $3^{\text {RD }}$ Quarter of 2019. A majority of those intakes, ( $81 \%$ ) were stray animals either picked up in the field or brought in over the counter. (12\%) were owner surrendered pets and the remaining ( $7 \%$ ) consisted of Adoption Returns, Feral Animals, Euthanasia Requests, Bite Quarantines, Protective Custody, and Abandoned Animals.


| ENTRY REASON | $\mathbf{1}^{\text {ST }}$ QUARTER | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {ND }}$ QUARTER | $\mathbf{3}^{\text {RD }}$ QUARTER | $\mathbf{4}^{\text {TH }}$ QUARTER |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Owner Surrender | 155 | 199 | 157 |  |
| Biting/Quarantine | 1 | 5 | 1 |  |
| Protective Custody | 19 | 23 | 31 |  |
| Died | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Abandoned | 19 | 11 | 24 |  |
| Stray Animal | 607 | 933 | 1038 |  |
| Euthanasia Request | 6 | 4 | 8 |  |
| Feral Cat | 14 | 18 | 12 |  |
| Adoption Return | 2 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Wildlife | 0 | 2 | 3 |  |
| Other | 11 | 20 | 12 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 2 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 2 7 0}$ |  |

## Owner Surrenders

Beginning in April of 2018, we began to track the reason for owner surrenders in Montgomery County. There were 150 Owner surrenders in the $3^{\text {RD }}$ Quarter, a $23 \%$ decrease over 2nd Quarter. Of those Owner Surrenders, the most prevalent reason to Owner Surrender was 1. Personal - $25 \%$, followed by 2 . Housing $-17 \%$

3RD QUARTER 2019 OWNER SURRENDER REASONS


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■ TOO MANY PETS
PERSONAL NOTIME
- HOUSING
■ COST ■ MOVING ■ ILLNESS CHILDREN
\squareAGGRESSIVE - PEOPLE ■ AGGRESSIVE - ANIMALS - LANDLORD HOUSE SOILING
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| Owner Surrenders | $\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{3}^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{4}^{\text {th }}$ Quarter |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Aggressive | 10 | 22 | 7 |  |
| Allergies | 4 | 1 | 3 |  |
| Children | 2 | 1 | 2 |  |
| Cost | 11 | 18 | 12 |  |
| House Soiling | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| Housing | 41 | 7 | 26 |  |
| Illness | 5 | 3 | 5 |  |
| Landlord | 1 | 0 | 3 |  |
| Moving | 12 | 24 | 15 |  |
| Personal | 7 | 20 | 38 |  |
| Time | 11 | 6 | 3 |  |
| Too Many | 15 | 72 | 22 |  |
| Unwanted | 13 | 20 | 14 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 4 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 0}$ |  |

## Dogs

There were 634 dogs impounded in the $3^{\text {RD }}$ Quarter of 2019. $76 \%$ were strays, $14 \%$ were owner released, $9 \%$ were for other reasons (Quarantine, Protective Care, Confiscated), and $2 \%$ were impounded for owner requested euthanasia


| Dog Impound Reason | $\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{3}^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{4}^{\text {th }}$ Quarter |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stray | 435 | 452 | 480 |  |
| Owner Release | 122 | 104 | 98 |  |
| Other Reason | 11 | 21 | 48 |  |
| Euthanasia Request | 6 | 4 | 10 |  |
| Total | 594 | 581 | $\mathbf{6 3 4}$ |  |

## Dog Outcomes

Outcomes for dogs impounded at the shelter were primarily adoptions 43\%, returned to owner 24\%, and Euthanasia $15 \%$. Another $16 \%$ were sent or transferred to rescues, Humane Association, or other shelters for adoption.


| Dog Outcome | $\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{3}^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{4}^{\text {th }}$ Quarter |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Adoption | 237 | 225 | 262 |  |
| Return to Owner | 168 | 184 | 142 |  |
| Euthanasia | 98 | 60 | 92 |  |
| Transfer/Rescue | 148 | 97 | 90 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{6 5 1}$ | $\mathbf{5 8 8}$ | $\mathbf{6 3 4}$ |  |

## Dog Euthanasia

Of the 95 dogs euthanized, $61 \%$ were for behavior or aggression problems that were deemed unadoptable or rescue candidates. Those problems were identified through owner reports, staff experience and interaction with the dog, shelter temperament testing, and previous bite or aggression history. Other dogs were euthanized for medical issues $23 \%$, space due to overcrowding and no available rescues or facilities to accept overflow $16 \%$ and owner requested euthanasia $7 \%$


| Dog Euthanasia Reason | $\mathbf{1 s t}^{\text {st }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{3}^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{4}^{\text {th }}$ Quarter |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Behavior/Aggression | 69 | 29 | 58 |  |
| Medical | 11 | 8 | 22 |  |
| Space | 6 | 20 | 15 |  |
| Euthanasia Request | 8 | 4 | 6 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{9 5}$ | $\mathbf{6 1}$ | $\mathbf{9 5}$ |  |

## Cats

There were 618 cats impounded in the $3^{\text {RD }}$ Quarter of 2019. 528 were strays, 58 were owner releases, and 32 were for other reasons (protective care, bite quarantine, welfare, feral). $85 \%$ of cat intakes were strays either picked up in the field or primarily brought in over the counter. $9 \%$ of our cat intakes were owner surrender


| Cat Impound Reason | $\mathbf{1 s t}^{\text {st }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{3}^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{4}^{\text {th }}$ Quarter |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stray | 152 | 521 | 528 |  |
| Owner Release | 50 | 77 | 58 |  |
| Other Reason | 30 | 19 | 32 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{6 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 1 8}$ |  |

## Cat Outcomes

Outcomes for cats impounded at the shelter were primarily for Adoptions and Transferred to other shelters, rescues or Humane Societies for adoption $42 \%$. $33 \%$ of all cats that entered the shelter were euthanized.


| Cat Outcome | $\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{3}^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter | $\mathbf{4}^{\text {th }}$ Quarter |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Adoption | 63 | 79 | 149 |  |
| Return to Owner | 7 | 13 | 17 |  |
| Euthanasia | 43 | 149 | 202 |  |
| Rescue/Foster | 138 | 337 | 151 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 5 7}$ | $\mathbf{5 7 8}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 3}$ |  |

## Cat Euthanasia

202 cats were euthanized in the $3^{\text {RD }}$ Quarter of 2019. 281 Cats were euthanized in the $3^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter of 2018 a $28 \%$ decrease, $74 \%$ of the cats were euthanized for medical reasons, primarily, infectious diseases, $6 \%$ were euthanized for behavioral or temperament problems $1 \%$ were Owner requested euthanasia.

NOTE: Due to lack of spaying and neutering we saw a tremendous increase in primarily kittens impounded. A great number of these kittens had advanced Upper Respiratory Infection, emaciated, and other illnesses


Beginning September 1 st, 2018 we will be instituting the new Owner Surrender Policy and mandatory microchipping through the shelter. The figures below represent a running total from January 1 st, 2018 to July 31st 2018. We will be running a month to month comparison to the 2017 figures at the conclusion of this calendar year.

## 2018 RUNNING TOTALS

Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May Jun. Jul. Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec. Total

| Owner Surrenders | 59 | 67 | 80 | 102 | 101 | 111 | 92 | 94 | 39 | 40 | 46 | 27 | 858 |
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| Stray Dogs/Puppy's | 117 | 126 | 126 | 140 | 150 | 131 | 121 | 131 | 129 | 158 | 154 | 156 | 1,639 |
| Stray Cats/Kittens | 60 | 70 | 73 | 89 | 156 | 157 | 166 | 138 | 115 | 166 | 102 | 62 | 1,354 |
| Call for Service | 464 | 419 | 469 | 505 | 494 | 394 | 357 | 423 | 383 | 427 | 469 | 412 | 5,216 |
| Euthanasia Dog | 25 | 57 | 29 | 27 | 43 | 43 | 33 | 36 | 33 | 33 | 22 | 35 | 416 |
| Euthanasia Cat | 18 | 31 | 23 | 16 | 81 | 95 | 121 | 117 | 74 | 76 | 41 | 25 | 718 |
| Microchips Issued | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 117 | 177 | 132 | 128 | 554 |

## 2019 RUNNING TOTALS

Jan. Feb. Mar. Apr. May Jun. Jul. Aug. Sep Oct Nov Dec

| Owner Surrenders | 48 | 60 | 47 | 83 | 78 | 38 | 34 | 55 | 58 | 505 |
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| Stray Dogs/Puppy's | 130 | 135 | 178 | 144 | 149 | 154 | 184 | 184 | 136 | 1,394 |
| Stray Cats/Kittens | 69 | 41 | 42 | 67 | 189 | 229 | 191 | 191 | 152 | 975 |
| Call for Service | 475 | 376 | 504 | 426 | 441 | 438 | 444 | 438 | 388 | 3,930 |
| Euthanasia Dog | 23 | 42 | 27 | 18 | 31 | 28 | 21 | 54 | 29 | 273 |
| Euthanasia Cat | 6 | 8 | 26 | 21 | 18 | 102 | 23 | 81 | 76 | 361 |
| Microchips Issued 869 | 109 | 105 | 131 | 128 | 118 | 153 | 236 | 162 | 124 | 1,266 |
| LIVE RELEASE RATE | 89\% | 82\% | 83\% | 87\% | 85\% | 67\% | 91\% | 70\% | 74\% | 80\% |
| DOGS | 74\% | 79\% | 89\% | 92\% | 85\% | 87\% | 91\% | 81\% | 87\% | 85\% |
| CATS | 92\% | 90\% | 63\% | 75\% | 85\% | 49\% | 90\% | 51\% | 55\% | 72\% |

