



BOARD OF ANIMAL SERVICES COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, March 24 2015
10:00 AM

LOS ANGELES CITY HALL, ROOM 1060
200 NORTH SPRING STREET
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

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I. ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS

1. Dangerous Animal Case: DA 142032 WV

Respondent: John Cote

Complaining Witness: Farshid Khairolomour

West Valley Animal Care and Control: Lt. Troy Boswell

II. REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING

- 1. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** - (Comments from the public on items of public interest within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction that are not on the Agenda; two minutes per speaker).

Public Comments: The Brown Act prohibits the Board and staff from responding to the speakers' comments. Some of the matters raised in public comment may appear on a future agenda.

2. COMMISSION BUSINESS

A. Approval of the Minutes for the Meeting of March 10, 2015 (Action Item; public comment limited to one minute per speaker).

3. ORAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER (Public comment limited to one minute per speaker).

4. COMMISSIONERS' ORAL REPORTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (Public comment limited to one minute per speaker).

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. None

6. BOARD REPORTS

A. Update and Report on Best Friends Animal Society Activities at Mission Hills Shelter (Public comment limited to two minutes per speaker.)

B. Animal Welfare Trust and Animal Sterilization Fund Balances (Public comment limited to one minute per speaker)

C. Shelter Recommendations on the use of Animal Welfare Trust Funds – 2nd Request (Action Item. Public comment limited to two minutes per speaker.)

7. ADJOURNMENT

Next Commission Meeting is scheduled for 10:00 A.M., April 14, 2015, at City Hall, Room 1060, 200 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles 90012.

AGENDAS - The Board of Animal Services Commissioners (Board) meets regularly every second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Tuesday of each month at 10:00 A.M. Regular Meetings are held at City Hall, 200 North Spring Street, Room 1060, in Los Angeles, CA 90012. Evening Meetings are held in various locations throughout the City, from 7:00 to approximately 9:30 P.M. The agendas for Board meetings contain a brief general description of those items to be considered at the meetings. Board Agendas are available at the Department of Animal Services (Department), Administrative Division, 200 North Spring Street, 19th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Board Agendas may also be viewed on the 2nd floor Public Bulletin Board in City Hall East, 200 North Main Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Internet users may also access copies of present and prior agenda items, copies of the Board Calendar, MP-3 audio files of meetings as well as electronic copies of approved minutes on the Department's World Wide Web Home Page site at <http://www.laanimalservices.com/CommissionAgendas.htm>

Three (3) members of the Board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Some items on the

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Agenda may be approved without any discussion.

The Board Secretary will announce the items to be considered by the Board. The Board will hear the presentation on the topic and gather additional information from Department Staff. Once presentations have finished, the Board President will ask if any Board Member or member of the public wishes to speak on one or more of these items. Each speaker called before the Commission will have one (1) minute to express their comments and concerns on matters placed on the agenda. (For certain agenda items, speakers will have two (2) minutes.)

PUBLIC INPUT AT BOARD MEETINGS – **Public Participation on Agenda Items.** Members of the public will have an opportunity to address the Board on agenda items after the item is called and before the Board takes action on the item, unless the opportunity for public participation on the item was previously provided to all interested members of the public at a public meeting of a Committee of the Board and the item has not substantially changed since the Committee heard the item. When speaking to an agenda item other than during Public Comment (see Public Comment below), the speaker shall limit his or her comments to the specific item under consideration (California Government Code, Section 54954.3).

Public Comment. The Board will provide an opportunity for public comment at every regular meeting of the Board. Members of the public may address the Board on any items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board as part of Public Comment.

Speaker Cards. Members of the public wishing to speak are to fill out one speaker card for each agenda item on which they wish to speak and present it to the Board secretary **before** the item is called.

Time Limit for Speakers. Speakers addressing the Board will be limited to one (1) minute of speaking time for each agenda item except during general public comment period which is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker. (For certain agenda items, speakers will have two (2) minutes each.). The Chairperson, with the approval of a majority of the Board, may for good cause extend any speaker's time by increments of up to one (1) minute.

Brown Act. These rules shall be interpreted in a manner that is consistent with the Ralph M. Brown Act, California Government Code Section § 54950 et seq.

STANDARDS OF CONDUCT. Speakers are expected to behave in an orderly manner and to refrain from personal attacks or use of profanity or language that may incite violence.

All persons present at Board meetings are expected to behave in an orderly manner and to refrain from disrupting the meeting, interfering with the rights of others to address the Board and/or interfering with the conduct of business by the Board.

In the event that any speaker does not comply with the foregoing requirements, or if a speaker does not address the specific item under consideration, the speaker may be ruled out of order, their speaking time forfeited and the Chairperson may call upon the next speaker.

The Board, by majority vote, may order the removal from the meeting of any speaker or audience member continuing to behave in a disruptive manner after being warned by the Chairperson regarding their behavior. Section 403 of the California Penal Code states as follows: "Every person who, without authority of law, willfully disturbs or breaks up any assembly or meeting that is not unlawful in its character, other than an assembly or meeting referred to in Section 302 of the Penal Code or Section 18340 of the Elections Code, is guilty of a misdemeanor."

VOTING AND DISPOSITION OF ITEMS – Most items require a majority vote of the entire membership of the Board (3 members). When debate on an item is completed, the Board President will instruct the

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Secretary to "call the roll". Every member present must vote for or against each item; abstentions are not permitted unless there is a Conflict of Interest for which the Board member is obliged to abstain from voting. The Secretary will announce the votes on each item. Any member of the Board may move to "reconsider" any vote on any item on the agenda, except to adjourn, suspend the Rules, or where an intervening event has deprived the Board of jurisdiction, providing that said member originally voted on the prevailing side of the item. The motion to "reconsider" shall only be in order once during the meeting, and once during the next regular meeting. The member requesting reconsideration shall identify for all members present the Agenda number and subject matter previously voted upon. A motion to reconsider is not debatable and shall require an affirmative vote of three members of the Board.

When the Board has failed by sufficient votes to approve or reject an item, and has not lost jurisdiction over the matter, or has not caused it to be continued beyond the next regular meeting, the issue is again placed on the next agenda for the following meeting for the purpose of allowing the Board to again vote on the matter.

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES
FUND 842- ANIMAL STERILIZATION FUND (ASF)
For the period July 1, 2014 to Feb 28, 2015

	July 1- Jan 31, 2015	Feb 1-28, 2015	(A + B = C)
	YTD Revenue (A)	Current Month (B)	Total (C)
Revenue			
Spay and Neuter Fees (\$7 for sterilized; \$2 for intact)	\$391,952.10		\$391,952.10
Donations & Contributions	354,082.29		\$354,082.29
General Fund Subsidy (\$546,000 total for 2014-15)	318,043.00	45,435.00	\$363,478.00
Total Revenue	\$1,064,077.39	\$45,435.00	\$1,109,512.39
	YTD Expenses (A)	Current Month (B)	Total (C)
Expenses/Encumbrances			
Spay and Neuter Program	\$538,955.30	\$166,776.00	\$705,731.30
Transfer to General Fund (for administrative support of the s/n program)			\$0.00
Total Expense	\$538,955.30	\$166,776.00	\$705,731.30
Net Income (Loss)	\$525,122.09	(\$121,341.00)	\$403,781.09
Cash Balance, beginning , 02/01/2015			\$4,312,330.46
Cash Balance, end, 02/28/2015			\$4,163,789.46
Dog/Cat Spay & Neuter Deposits	\$60,636.50		\$60,636.50
Pet Adoption Deposit	\$1,061,952.41	\$276,800.00	\$1,338,752.41
ASPCA Grant ¹	\$75,000.00		\$75,000.00
ASPCA Grant 3A ³	\$304,000.00	(\$304,000.00)	\$0.00
Fund Balance Residual Encumbrance ²	\$1,196,050.04	(\$121,341.00)	\$1,074,709.04
Unrestricted & Undesignated Fund Balance	\$946,180.24		\$946,180.24
Residual Equity Transfer ⁴	\$668,511.27		\$668,511.27
Total	\$4,312,330.46	(\$148,541.00)	\$4,163,789.46

¹ Represents ASPCA grant received to pay for New Hope adoption fees

² Represents net spendable and available funds in the current year

³ Represents ASPCA Grant 3A received to pay for New Hope adoption fees for 8,200 adoption pulls @ \$40/pull = \$328,000

⁴ Fund 543 (\$668,137.27) and Fund 841 (\$374) were closed. Proceeds went to Animal Sterilization Fund.

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES
SCHEDULE OF DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS
FUND 842- ANIMAL STERILIZATION FUND (ASF)
For the period July 1, 2014 to Feb 28, 2015

	July 1- Jan 31, 2015	Feb 1-28, 2015	(A + B = C)
	YTD Revenue (A)	Current Month (B)	Total (C)
Donations & Contributions			
Donations via direct solicitation	493.33		493.33
Donation -- Big Fix	3,271.00		3,271.00
Donations -- \$250 and below	19,297.96		19,297.96
California Community Foundation -- Nellie Rhode Trust	0.00		0.00
Grant-ASPCA ² -New Hope Adoption	25,000.00		25,000.00
Grant-ASPCA 3A-New Hope Adoption	304,000.00		304,000.00
Online Donations	2,020.00		2,020.00
Total Donations & Contributions	354,082.29	0.00	354,082.29

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES
SCHEDULE OF SPAY AND NEUTER EXPENSES
FUND 842- ANIMAL STERILIZATION FUND (ASF)
For the period July 1, 2014 to Feb 28, 2015

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Amanda Foundation (\$500,000 mobile spay/neuter contract)	\$83,535.00	\$75,715.00	\$159,250.00
Value Vet (\$500,000 contract for WLA s/n clinic)	\$26,734.00		\$26,734.00
SNP LA (\$500,000 contract for Harbor s/n clinic)	\$74,454.40		\$74,454.40
SNP LA (\$500,000 contracts for East Valley s/n clinic)	\$75,648.90	\$12,681.00	\$88,329.90
ASPCA (\$500,000 contract for SLA clinic)	\$79,950.00	\$14,643.00	\$94,593.00
Other participating vets	\$198,633.00		\$198,633.00
Total S/N Program	\$538,955.30	\$103,039.00	\$641,994.30

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES
Fund 859 - ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST FUND (AWTF)
For the period July 1, 2014 to Feb 28, 2015

	July 1- Jan 31, 2015	Feb 1-28, 2015	(A + B = C)
Revenue	Yr-to-Date (A)	Curr Mo (B)	Total (A + B = C)
Interest Income	\$6,298.72	\$3,036.87	\$9,335.59
Donations & Contributions	\$185,017.37	\$14,229.73	\$199,247.10
TOTAL REVENUE	\$191,316.09	\$17,266.60	\$208,582.69
Expenses			
Printing & Binding -Volunteer Program	\$2,380.35		\$2,380.35
Travel -Registration Fees - 2014 NMHP (7 STAFF)	\$1,732.50		\$1,732.50
Travel -Registration Fee -HSUS M.Salazar		\$250.00	\$250.00
Phils Ensley-Elephant Vet services	\$5,826.54		\$5,826.54
CEQA - Proposed "Cat Program" study	\$157.92		\$157.92
Rabbit Cages for Harbor Shelter	\$7,081.17		\$7,081.17
Harbor Video equipment	\$303.02		\$303.02
Kennel Tags	\$185.30		\$185.30
GSD (pays for Council-approved alterations/improvements)	\$497.88		\$497.88
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$18,164.68	\$250.00	\$18,414.68
Net Income (Loss):	\$173,151.41	\$17,016.60	\$190,168.01
Cash Balance, beginning 02/01/15			\$1,902,913.88
Cash Balance, end 02/28/15			\$1,903,375.47

	Yr-to-Date (A)	Feb 1-28, 2015	(A + B = C)
UNRESTRICTED DONATIONS			
AVAILABLE	\$1,050,912.78	\$76,461.59	\$1,127,374.37
RESTITUTION FOR ANIMAL CRUELTY	\$12,912.38		\$12,912.38
COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FUND	\$839.00		\$839.00
AWARDS & REFRESHMENTS	\$433.00		\$433.00
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED DONATIONS	\$1,065,097.16	\$76,461.59	\$1,141,558.75
RESTRICTED DONATIONS			
WEST VALLEY SHELTER (Shelter maintenance)	\$28,641.87	\$1,554.81	\$30,196.68
HARBOR SHELTER "	\$25,906.26	\$1,498.50	\$27,404.76
NORTH CENTRAL SHELTER "	\$28,071.26	\$1,028.00	\$29,099.26
SOUTH LA SHELTER "	\$20,727.14	\$448.00	\$21,175.14
EAST VALLEY SHELTER "	\$38,438.16	\$1,521.00	\$39,959.16
WEST LA SHELTER "	\$57,061.59	\$1,102.50	\$58,164.09
ON-LINE DONATIONS			
SPECIAL TREATMENT AND RECOVERY (S.T.A.R.) PROGRAM	\$12,628.00		\$12,628.00
CHAMELEON DONATIONS			
S.T.A.R. PROGRAM	\$34,919.12		\$34,919.12
FOSTER PROGRAM	\$6,094.87		\$6,094.87
KENNEL PLAQUE SPONSORSHIP	\$35,021.92		\$35,021.92
PUBLIC EDUCATION	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00
SPECIALIZED MOBILE ANIMAL RESCUE TEAM (S.M.A.R.T.)	\$1,227.41		\$1,227.41
BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SOCIETY			
Restricted to promote adoptions	\$50,744.00		\$50,744.00
Restricted to adoption ad campaign	\$30,000.00		\$30,000.00

CEQA RELATIVE TO PROPOSED "CAT PROGRAM"

Best Friends Animal Society	\$0.00		\$0.00
Found Animals	\$0.00		\$0.00
California Community Foundation	\$0.00		\$0.00
ASPCA	\$0.00		\$0.00

ASPCA

ASPCA GRANT (CARROLL PETRIE) - pays for pitbulls/Chihuahua adoptions	\$92,800.00		\$92,800.00
ASPCA GRANT (NEW HOPE MICROCHIPS) - 8,200 pulls @ \$10/microchip	\$76,000.00	(\$76,000.00)	\$0.00

GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

\$4,356.87	\$0.00	\$4,356.87
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TOTAL RESTRICTED DONATIONS

\$544,138.47	-\$68,847.19	\$475,291.28
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UNRESTRICTED ESTATE/TRUST DONATIONS

ROBERT EMERSON ESTATE	\$10,228.24	\$0.00	\$10,228.24
LIZ DOUGLAS ESTATE	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY-Johnston administrative Trust	\$22,629.31	\$0.00	\$22,629.31

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED ESTATE DONATIONS

\$42,857.55	\$0.00	\$42,857.55
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RESTRICTED ESTATE DONATIONS

MARIE TYNER ESTATE (Maintenance of West Valley shelter)	\$43,242.23	\$0.00	\$43,242.23
AGNES WOOD ESTATE (Maintenance of North Central shelter)	\$112,813.67	\$0.00	\$112,813.67
L.C. MIRABILE ESTATE (Maintenance of SLA shelter)	\$4,316.26	\$0.00	\$4,316.26
SHUSTER/CUNARD ESTATE (Maintenance of East Valley shelter)	\$55,165.68	\$0.00	\$55,165.68
AMELIA PARKER ESTATE (Shelter renovations)	\$7,130.05	\$0.00	\$7,130.05
J.S. ROGERS FOUNDATION S.T.A.R.	16,000.00	\$0.00	\$16,000.00
M.L. PORT LIVING TRUST (Maintenance of WLA shelter)	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00

TOTAL RESTRICTED ESTATE DONATIONS

\$243,667.89	\$0.00	\$243,667.89
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TOTAL ESTATE DONATIONS

\$286,525.44	\$0.00	\$286,525.44
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TOTAL DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

\$1,895,761.07	\$7,614.40	\$1,903,375.47
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DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES**Schedule of Donations and Contributions by Program****Fund 859 - ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST FUND (AWTF)**

For the period July 1, 2014 to Feb 28, 2015

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Donations & Contributions	YTD Rev (A)	Curr Mo (B)	Total (A + B + C)
Donations -- Community Assistance Fund	\$1,129.50		\$1,129.50
Donations -- Special Treatment And Recovery (STAR)	\$4,661.83		\$4,661.83
Donations -- Kennel Plaque Sponsorship	\$10,909.92		\$10,909.92
Donations -- Foster	\$60.00		\$60.00
Donation-via Direct AWTF Solicitation	\$2,129.86		\$2,129.86
Donation-via Direct STAR Solicitation	\$814.99		\$814.99
Donations - Grants/Trusts			
Grant - ASPCA ³ (New Hope Adoption Microchips)	\$76,000.00		\$76,000.00
The Northern Trust-Johnston Administrative Trust	\$22,629.31		\$22,629.31
Donations AWTF (\$300 and below)	\$72,285.28		\$72,285.28
Online Donations			
Animal Welfare	\$5,432.41		\$5,432.41
S.T.A.R	\$3,194.00		\$3,194.00
TOTAL DONATIONS	\$199,247.10	\$0.00	\$199,247.10

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**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
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BOARD OF ANIMAL SERVICES COMMISSIONERS
NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL HEARINGS**

**To Be Held:
Tuesday, March 24, 2015
10:00 A.M.**

**City Hall
Room 1060
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This serves as formal notice pursuant to Section § 53.18(q) 4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to the following parties and witnesses in the appeal(s) listed below:

- 1. Dangerous Animal Case: DA 142032 WV**
Respondent: John Cote
West Valley Animal Care and Control: Lt. Troy Boswell
Complaining Witness: Farshid Khairolomour

This hearing will not be rescheduled, except for good cause.

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To: Board of Animal Services Commissioners
CC: Brenda Barnette, Dov Lasel
From: Marc Peralta, Executive Director, Best Friends Animal Society - Los Angeles
Date: March 19, 2015
Re: Best Friends Animal Society – Los Angeles Report of Progress vs Contract

Background for Best Friends in LA:

In 2011, more than 23,000 pets perished in Los Angeles animal city shelters. This number represented a painfully low save rate of only 57.7%* of the animals who entered the city's six city shelters. Clearly, something needed to be done to end the needless killing of L.A.'s homeless pets, but the problem was deep-seated and broad in scope and thus would demand an innovative, multifaceted, and far-reaching solution.

Since 1991, Best Friends Animal Society had been cultivating a partnership with the city of L.A., and forming working relationships with animal-welfare advocates throughout the city. These advocates not only included municipal officials and respected animal groups, but also celebrities and local volunteers. Best Friends continued to work steadily alongside these interested parties to build an infrastructure that would reliably save shelter pets, but it was clear that a far more cohesive and strategic plan – indeed a whole movement – was needed. And that movement would have to bring about measurable results and finally get the attention of the community.

Background for Best Friends at NE Valley Facility:

The idea of No-Kill Los Angeles (NKLA) had been germinating for years: an initiative of Best Friends Animal Society, a marketing campaign, and an ever-growing coalition of organizations and individuals passionate about putting an end to the killing of homeless pets in Los Angeles shelters. In 2012, following more than a year of planning with Brenda Barnette and animal welfare stakeholders, this vision would finally become a reality.

After two decades of involvement in the Los Angeles community, the time and conditions were right for this lifesaving effort. In 2010, LAAS cleared a path for

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NKLA when it brought Brenda Barnette on board as general manager. As a no-kill advocate, Brenda became an immediate partner with Best Friends, reaching out for help in making LAAS a no-kill municipal agency.

In 2011, Best Friends submitted a proposal to the City of Los Angeles to turn the Northeast Valley Shelter into a high-volume spay/neuter and adoption center. Spay/neuter services would be offered to low-income residents, and animals coming into, and adopted out of, the shelter would be exclusively from LAAS. When the proposal was approved, this was a critical boon to the soon to be launched NKLA campaign. The city's six other shelters would continue to provide animal control resources to the community, and Best Friends would keep working alongside LAAS to incentivize, promote and encourage adoptions in those shelters. But the new partnership with BF and the focused use of the Mission Hills facility would greatly increase capacity for L.A.'s homeless pets with Best Friends delivering high-volume adoptions. Best Friends Animal Society employs 68 Angelenos to operate our two LA centers as well as our community, coalition, marketing and event efforts here in LA.

Best Friends operates the NE Valley facility, which employs approximately 50 staff at a budget of \$4,000,000 annually, to support spay & neuter for center and city pets, as well as the adoption and positive outcome of homeless pets that enter LAAS.

Best Friends and Pull Fees:

The terms of our relationship to LA Animal Services is determined by our contract with the city, rather than by LA Animal Services policies with regard to New Hope partners. As a result, a differentiating factor for us versus the New Hope Partners is that we do not pay pull fees for shelter animals. Pull fees are intended to offset the Animal Services costs to spay or neuter shelter pets before they go to rescue. By contract, the city has made Best Friends responsible for spaying and neutering the shelter animals that we pull from any of the six city shelters at the NE Valley s/n clinic as well as being responsible for the microchipping and additional vaccines such as rabies vaccines. Best Friends covers that cost along with any ancillary medical care that shelter animals coming into our service might need. This practice unclogs the city's own s/n operations and reduces staff time and expense for post-surgery care.

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We voluntarily adhere to the same time period holds on available pets as do New Hope partners, including the most recent New Hope policies that took effect in April of 2014.

Best Friends Reporting:

Every week, we report back to LA Animal Services the outcome of every animal that comes into our care (adopted, transferred, died, euthanized) with full spay and neuter, rabies vaccine, dates, LAAS animal ID #, adopter and agency names included for adopted and transferred pets as presented in a previous meeting.

Best Friends Capacity Levels of Dogs and Cats:

We have agreed to keep at least 100 cats and dogs at our centers for adoption at all times. On average, at our Mission Hills facility (the NE Valley Animal Care facility) our inventory of dogs in our care ranges between 162 - 264 dogs with 159 kennels. Our inventory for adoptable age cats is between 183 - 283 cats with 127 kennels and free roam spaces for cats. We are always looking to keep a diversified floor with pets of all sizes.

The adoption floor at our Mission Hills facility (the NE Valley Animal Care facility) dog population is broken out in the following way:

- o 118 total outdoor, public kennels with enclosed cubbies – primary adoption area for dogs. We primarily keep these as one dog per kennel due to the lack of width and the small cubbies but will pair dogs up as approved by manager, lead, or behavior personnel:
 - 51 kennels for All American dogs (Pit and Pit Mixes) – consists of 42% of the outdoor kennels. 5 of the 51 kennels are held for Pit Bull Terrier Mix in addition to the other 8 “wise” kennels.
 - 48 kennels for Unique dogs (all large breed, non-Pit, over 30lb dogs) – consists of 38% of the outdoor kennels.
 - 8 kennels specific for Wise dogs (7 years and older) – consists of 7% of the outdoor kennels. As of 9/5/14, we have 14 seniors on the floor with 3 less All American and 3 less Unique.

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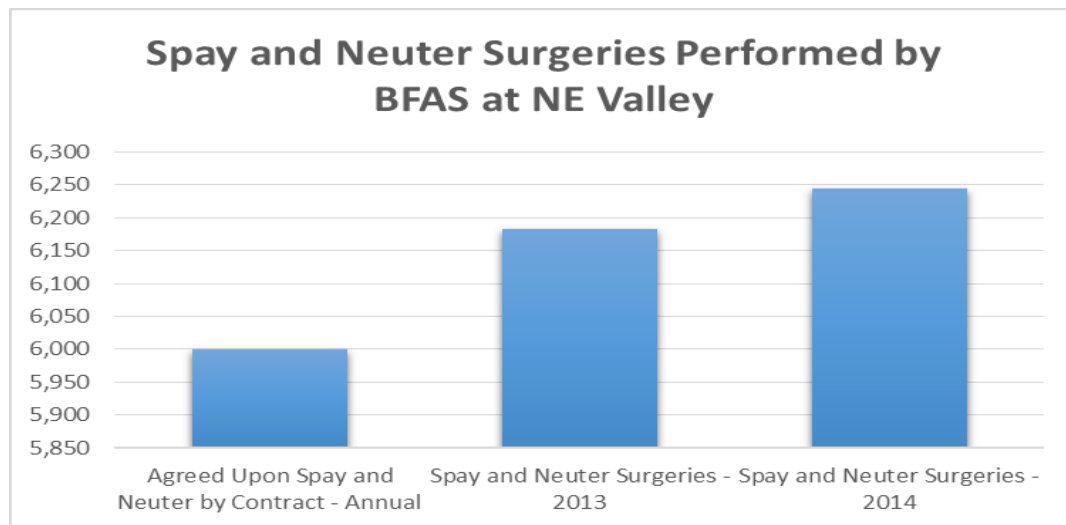
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- 11 kennels for Small Body, Big Hearts (under 30lbs) – consists of 14% of the outdoor kennel.
- There are an additional 45 kennels in two indoor areas of the center. These areas are non-public areas in the back of the facility, but we have iPads and a kiosk out front with signage alerting the public that we have additional dogs in the back. The strategy behind this is to utilize these rooms, but to keep a majority of the smaller dogs that are selected for mobile adoptions, NKLA Pet Adoption Center pets, Pup My Ride transports, and for adoptions, in the back as we move through these pets much quicker and they are more suitable for these smaller inside kennels. We keep 6 kennels for “All American” admissions, 8 Kennels segmented for “Unique” dogs admissions and 4 kennels open for return adoptions, quarantines and holds. The remainder of the kennels are held for small dog admissions.

Best Friends “Noses In” Work at NE Valley Facility

We work to help drive down the annual intake of animals in the city’s 6 shelters through spay/neuter surgeries, in particular, surgeries targeted toward vulnerable pets in lower income neighborhoods. NKLA partners and volunteers are also doing ground-breaking work in the area of shelter surrender intervention

According to the Los Angeles Northeast Care Center Agreement, Best Friends has committed to best efforts to provide spay and neuter services for 6,000 animals annually. Best Friends has performed the following spay and neuter surgeries of both public and center pets up for adoption:



Jan 1- Dec 31, 2013 – 6,183 total cat and dog spay and neuters

- a. 3,074 center pets who were pulled from LAAS for adoptions (1664 dogs and 1410 cats)
- b. 3,109 public pets (1,933 dogs and 1,176 cats).

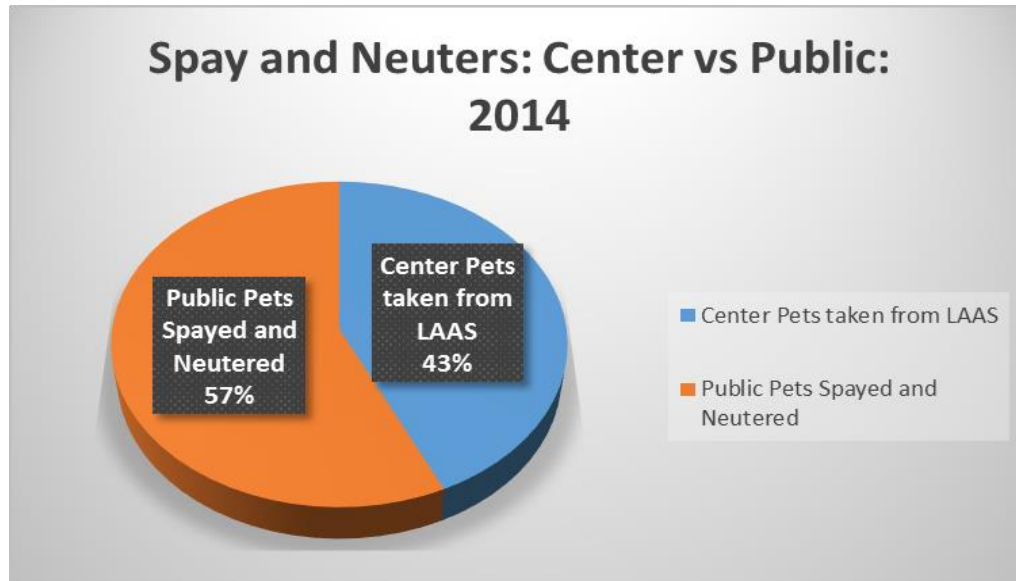
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- i. Out of the public spay and neuter, 2,976 were free or discounted spay and neuter services for low income or district 7 residents of the city of Los Angeles.



Jan 1- Dec 31, 2014- 6,245 total cat and dog spay and neuters

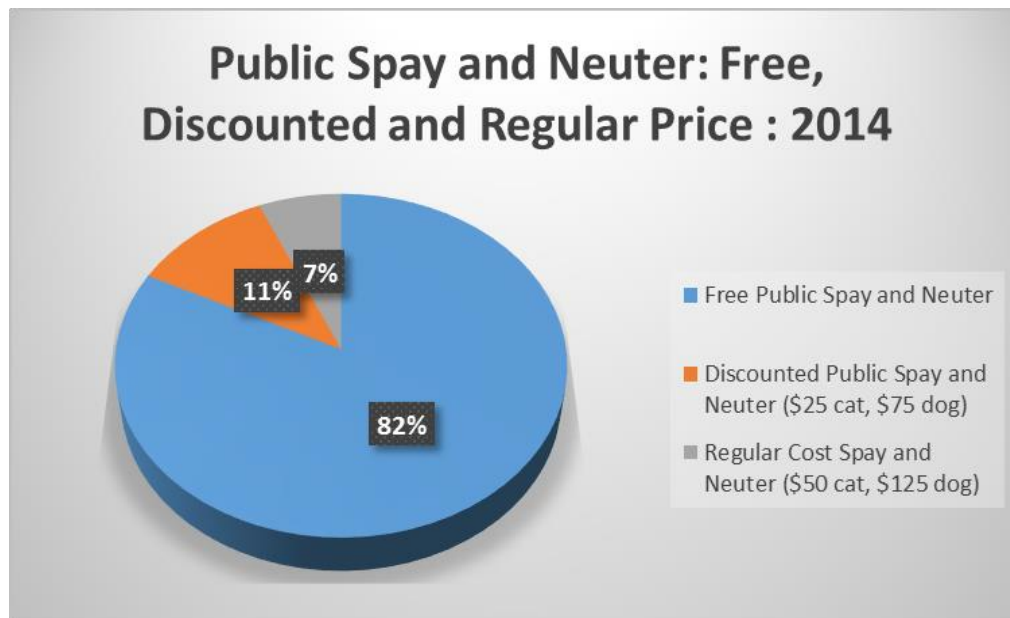
- a. 2,691 spay and neuter of center pets who were pulled from LAAS for adoptions (903 dogs and 1788 cats)
- b. 3,554 spay and neuter of public pets (2,402 dogs and 1,152 cats).

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Out of the 3,554 public spay and neuter, 3,324 of those surgeries were free or discounted spay and neuter services for low income or district 7 residents of the city of Los Angeles.

Best Friends “Noses Out” Work at NE Valley Facility

Cats and Dogs Taken From LAAS

Best Friends pulls cats and dogs for adoption and transport exclusively from Los Angeles Animal Services six facilities to the NE Valley facility. Best Friends has committed to best efforts to take 3,000 cats and dogs from LAAS annually. Best Friends have taken the following numbers of cats and dogs from LAAS to the NE Valley facility:

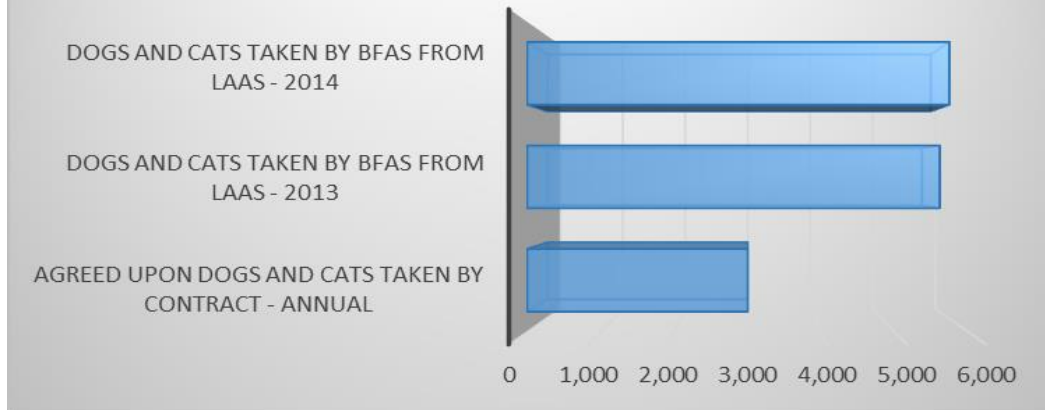
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Cats and Dogs Taken from LAAS by BFAS: Contract vs Actual



Jan 1- Dec 31, 2013 – 5,609 total cats and dogs were taken from LAAS by Best Friends

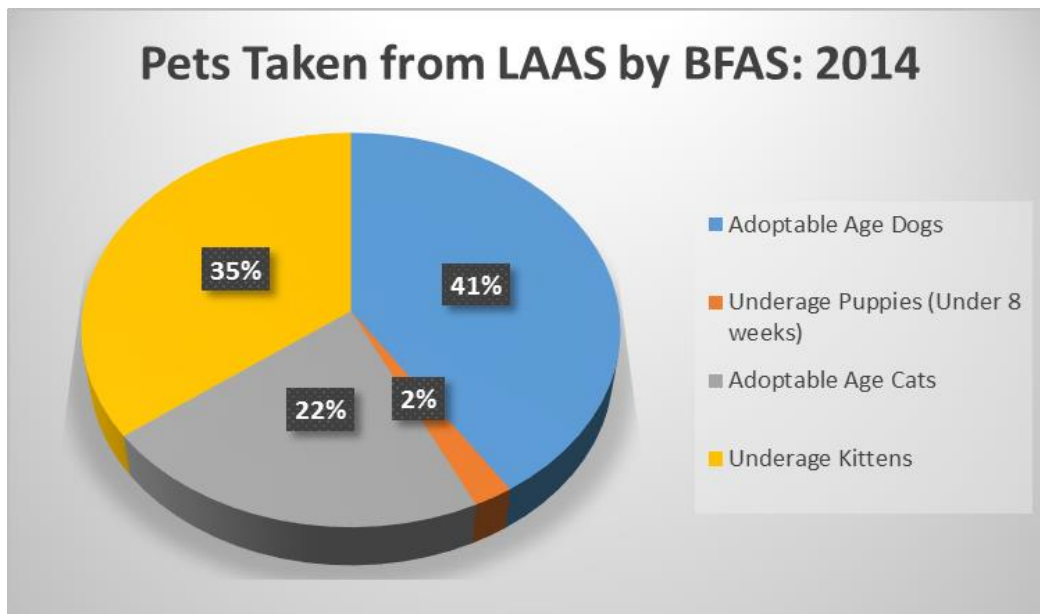
Jan 1- Dec 31, 2014 – 5,740 total cats and dogs were taken from LAAS by Best Friends

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Jan 1- Dec 31, 2014 – 5,740 total cats and dogs were taken from LAAS by Best Friends

- a. Out of the 5,740 cats and dogs, 2,343 were dogs at adoptable age and 125 were underage puppies (under 8 weeks).
- b. Out of the 5,740 cats and dogs, 1,246 were cats at adoptable age and 2,026 were underage kittens (under 8 weeks). 127 of the 1,246 adoptable age cats were nursing mothers pulled with kittens.

Positive Outcome Disbursement

In 2014, Best Friends has adopted, transferred to local groups or transported to groups through our “Pup My Ride” program the following numbers of cats and dogs from the NE Valley Facility:

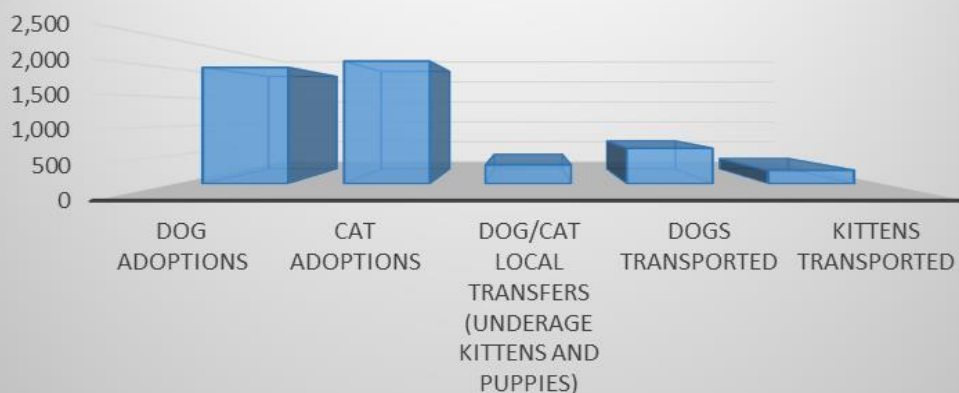
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BFAS Positive Outcomes of Cats and Dogs Taken From LAAS at NE Valley Facility: 2014



- a. 4,149 cat and dog adoptions into new homes.
 - i. 2,020 of the 4,149 total adoptions were dog adoptions
 - ii. 2,129 of the 4,149 total adoptions were cat adoptions
- b. 326 cats and dogs (almost solely made up of underage kittens and puppies) were transferred to other local NKLA coalition members or local non-profits. Best Friends reports spay and neuter dates for all transferred cats and dogs taken from LAAS to LAAS after surgery is performed in our weekly reporting sheets.
- c. 851 cats and dogs were transported through our “Pup My Ride” transport program to the Best Friend’s Animal Society Sanctuary as well as our transport partners found on our website: <http://bfla.bestfriends.org/pup-my-ride---la.html>.

All transport partners sign an adoption guarantee/return agreement. To

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further ensure the safety of transferred pets, Best Friends stipulates a return to BF agreement with all of our transfer partners should any animal not be placed with the public. Best Friends spays and neuters almost all our transport animals prior to their transport. Exceptions may be if the pet is 7 weeks or just turned 8 weeks old, and in those circumstances, we required the spay and neuter certificates from our receiving group and then report the animal's outcome and spay and neuter info in our weekly reporting sheets.

- a. 617 of the 851 total transports were dogs/puppies
- b. 234 of the 851 total transports were cats/kittens

Additional Information about Best Friends Work in LA to Support LAAS Outside of the NE Valley Facility:

The NKLA Pet Adoption Center

In addition to our Mission Hills facility, Best Friends also operates the NKLA Pet Adoption Center in West Los Angeles which opened on August 1, 2013. The NKLA Pet Adoption Center is a store front adoption center for NKLA coalition partners with 24 hour staff provided by BFAS. The capacity of the facility is 50% cats and dogs from BFLA and 50% of cats and dogs from other NKLA coalition members. Pets up for adoption at the NKLA center come from LAAS or the streets of Los Angeles. The adoption fees, animal care and adoption process are uniform for all pets in the center, lending a client-friendly environment for adoption. The Best Friends Pet Adoption Center employs 20 staff and operates at a budget of over \$1,100,000 annually.

- In 2014, Best Friends performed 753 adoptions (404 cats and 349 dogs) at the NKLA Center in addition to the NE Valley facility adoptions almost solely for pets taken from LAAS. These pets taken from LAAS are also included in the weekly reporting with the adoptions at the NE Valley facility.
- In 2014, Best Friend's facilitated 1,215 adoptions (557 cats and 658 dogs) at the NKLA center for NKLA coalition members in 2014 which all consist

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of LAAS cats and dogs or cats and dogs rescued from the within the city limits to support the NKLA initiative.

The NKLA Coalition

Best Friends recognized prior to our involvement to our operating the two centers, that a No Kill LA is only possible with collaboration with local rescues and 501c3's. To help local rescues, Best Friends dedicates over \$1,000,000 annually towards community sustainability through funding of local rescues and LAAS to maximize lifesaving for our city. We provide spay and neuter grants, operating grants and adoption over baseline monetary rewards for NKLA coalition members as well as sponsor adoptions for the city shelters to help increase positive outcomes for cats and dogs as well as reduce live intake at the six city LAAS.

The NKLA Coalition is a growing, collaborative of 90 animal welfare organizations (as of March 2015) working together to stop the killing of animals in Los Angeles-area shelters through high volume, low cost spay/neuter services, and adoptions. The NKLA Coalition is comprised of a wide range of animal welfare stakeholders, including BFAS and LAAS, who are working with households across the City to transform LA into a No Kill city. Specifics of our partnering work are as follows:

- a. The NKLA coalition (excluding Best Friends and LAAS) spayed and neutered 7,638 dogs and cats with over \$493,000 in funds provided by Best Friends through spay and neuter grants for underserved, high intake zip codes in the city of LA.
- b. Best Friends awarded NKLA coalition members over \$296,000 for adoption subsidies over baseline rewards for animals taken from LAAS in 2014.
- c. Best Friends awarded 8 NKLA coalition groups grants for staff person to expand their capabilities for lifesaving through spay and neuter and/or adoption for a total of \$166,000 in 2014.
- d. Best Friends hosts community events to increase donations for local, non-profits, increase awareness for rescue, spay/neuter and

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adoptions and lifesaving work annually at a cost of over \$190,000 in 2014.

- a. Best Friends hosted “Strut Your Mutt” (SYM) walk and fun run which raised over \$620,000 in donations for participating rescue groups in September of 2014. SYM provides a ready-made platform so groups can fundraise without incurring the cost of organizing and paying for such an event on their own.
- b. Best Friends two super adoptions in May and November of 2014 placed over 900 animals into new homes.
 - i. In addition, Best Friends subsidized LAAS adoptions at both events to increase adoptions for the department at these events. Los Angeles Animal Services adopted out 201 cats and dogs from the two NKLA Adoption Weekends in 2014. This number does not include the pets that were then taken by Best Friends and other rescues attending the event that were not adopted.
- e. The NKLA Coalition as of March 1, 2014 includes 59 New Hope partners within the 90 coalition members. The remaining members of NKLA are spay and neuter, humane education and outreach groups.
 - i. The New Hope program includes 203 total partners. The 56 NKLA, New Hope partners took 3,433 cats and dogs from LAAS in 2014 for rescue with is nearly 50% of the total New Hope rescue total of 6,887 in 2014.

This increase in animals taken and adopted by the NKLA, New Hope partners have help increase the percentage of cats and dogs being rescue by New Hope from 12% of live intake in 2011 (6,856 cats and dogs out of 56,138 live cats and dog live intake) to 14% of live intake (6,887 cats and dogs out of 47,907 live cat and dog live intake). Live

intake is the total intake number minus DOA (dead on arrival) cats and dogs.

NKLA Coalition Members (as of March 2015)

A Cat's Tale
Ace of Hearts Dog Rescue
Adopt Me Rescue
All the Same Wild and Tame Foundation
Angel City Pit Bulls
AngelDogs Foundation
Animal Wellness Foundation
Animals In Need Rescue Network
Barks of Love
Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California, Inc
Beople's Buddies Animal Rescue
Best Friends Animal Society - Los Angeles
Bill Foundation
Border Collies In Need
Boston Buddies, Inc.
Boxer Rescue Los Angeles (BRLA)
Cage Free K-9 Rescue
California German Shorthaired Pointer Rescue
Caring Friends Cat Rescue
Coastal German Shepherd Rescue
Dawg Squad
Dogs on Death Row
Dogs Without Borders
Downtown Dog Rescue
English Springer Rescue America, Inc.
Feral Cat Caretakers' Coalition
FixNation
Forte Animal Rescue
Found Animals Foundation
Furry Tails Rescue

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German Shepherd Rescue Los Angeles
Ghetto Rescue Foundation
Golden Retriever Club of Greater Los Angeles Rescue
Hanging with Friends Animal Rescue
Happy Angels Dog Rescue
Haven! CA, Inc.
Heaven on Earth Society for Animals
Helping Persian Cats
Holly's Garden Rescue
Home Dog L.A.
Homeless To Forever Foundation
Hounds and Heroes
I.C.A.R.E. Dog Rescue
It's the Pits Dog Rescue
J.J. Woofin' Paws Rescue Agency
Jackson Galaxy Foundation
K9 Compassion Foundation
K9 connection
Karma Rescue
Kinder 4 Rescue/Project Flying Chihuahuas
Kitt Crusaders
Kitten Rescue
Kitty Bungalow Charm School for Wayward Cats
Krazy for Kats Inc.
L.A. Love and Leashes
L.I.F.E Animal Rescue
Labs and Friends Rescue
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Lhasa Happy Homes
Los Angeles Animal Services
Love That Dog Hollywood
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Much Love Animal Rescue
National Brittany Rescue and Adoption Network Inc.
New Life K-9 Rescue

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No Stray Left Behind
One Dog Rescue
Pet Orphans of Southern California
Project Unleashed
Pug Nation Rescue of L.A.
Rescue Me Pet Foundation
Shelter Animal Advocacy Fund, Los Angeles
Spay-4-LA
Spay/Neuter Implementation Program (SNIP)
Spay/Neuter Project LA
Star Paws Rescue Foundation
Stella's Hope
Stray Cat Alliance
The Animal Protectorates (TAPS)
The Cat Cove
The Peter Zippi Fund for Animals
The Red Nose Lucy Foundation
Two Dog Farms, Inc
Voice for the Animals Foundation
Wags and Walks
Westside German Shepherd Rescue
What's Up Dog! L.A.
Yorkie Rescue of America
Zazzy Cats Kitty Rescue
Ziggy and Friends Cat Rescue

Save Rate and Euthanasia Since the Formation of NKLA in 2012:

It is important to note that No Kill is a community issue and effort. The NKLA initiative's purpose is to bring about a call to action to end the killing of cats and dogs in our city shelters for space. NKLA has played a very important role in leading this effort, but all adopters, non NKLA new Hope groups and the rest of the community has made this possible along with LAAS, Best Friends and the rest of the NKLA coalition.

Save Rate – (Live Intake + Euthanized + Died In Care + Lost in Care) / (Live Intake)

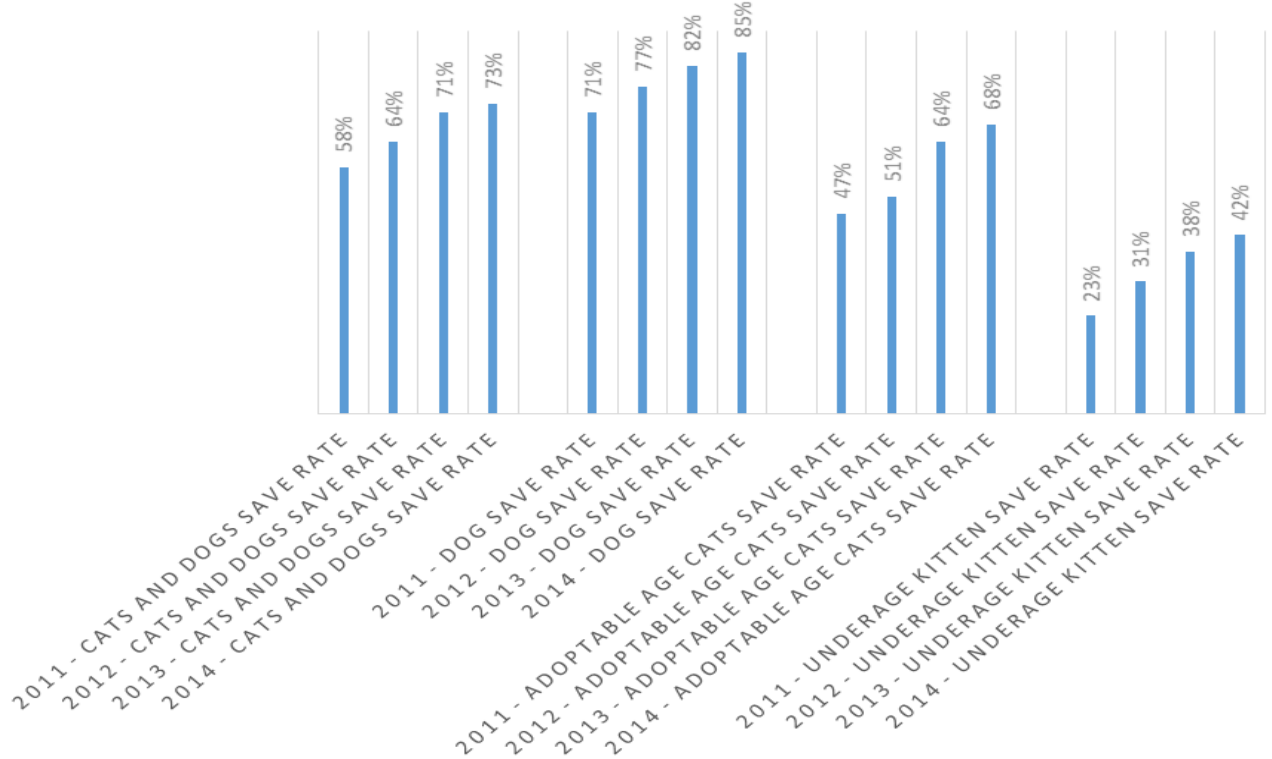
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SAVE RATE: 2011 - 2014



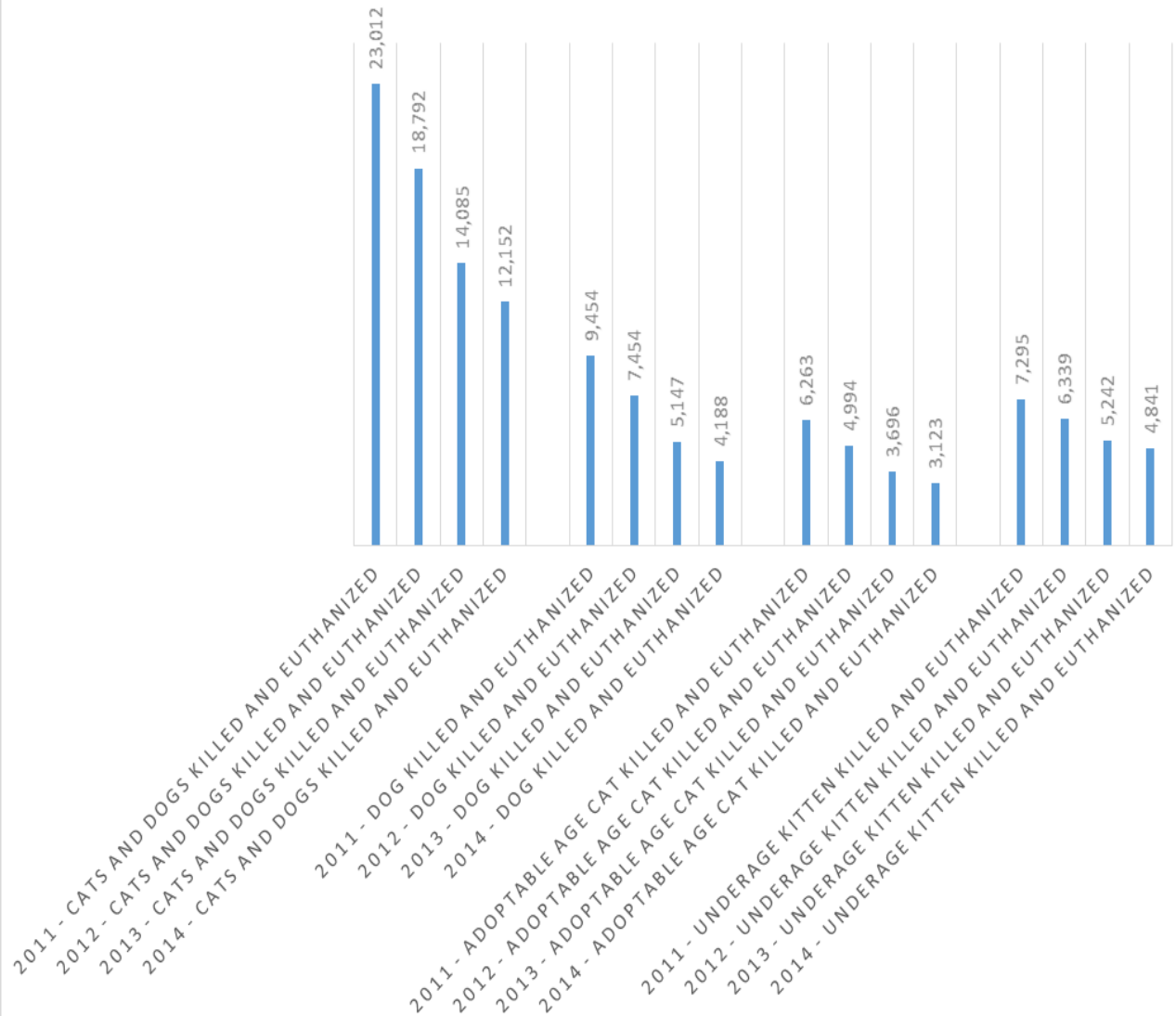
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CATS AND DOGS KILLED AND EUTHANIZED: 2011-2014



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DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES
SCHEDULE OF SPAY AND NEUTER EXPENSES
FUND 842- ANIMAL STERILIZATION FUND (ASF)
For the period July 1, 2014 to Feb 28, 2015

	July 1- Jan 31, 2015	Feb 1-28, 2015	(A + B = C)
	YTD Revenue (A)	Current Month (B)	Total (C)
<u>OTHER PARTICIPATING VETS</u>			
All Pets Medical Center -William Martin	\$16,302.00		\$16,302.00
Aloro Pet Clinic -Suresh V. Dogra DVM Inc.	\$5,599.00	\$90.00	\$5,689.00
Angeles Vista Pet Clinic - John D. Hardy	\$210.00	\$798.00	\$1,008.00
Angelus Pet Hospital -Ahmed A. Khalek	\$1,234.00	\$490.00	\$1,724.00
Animal Health Care Ctr -Lisa Hsuan Inc.	\$406.00		\$406.00
Animal Rescue Center -Sis Inc.	\$22,663.00	\$7,139.00	\$29,802.00
Avenue 26 Small Animal Hospital	\$304.00		\$304.00
Center Sinai Animal Hospital -Barlin Inc.	\$1,320.00	\$166.00	\$1,486.00
Community Vet Hospital -Delora Lauver/Edward James Lauver	\$45,157.00	\$9,809.00	\$54,966.00
Cozycroft Pet Hospital - Steve Haerther DVM Inc.	\$3,034.00	\$832.00	\$3,866.00
Devonshire Animal Hospital	\$90.00		\$90.00
Dog & Cat S/N Clinic -MK Veterinary Corporation	\$390.00	\$150.00	\$540.00
Eagle Glen Veterinary Clinic	\$1,330.00		\$1,330.00
Fixnation, Inc		\$1,828.00	\$1,828.00
Gateway Animal Hospital	\$3,526.00	\$1,452.00	\$4,978.00
Green Dog & Cat Hospital -Dina N. Bahl	\$450.00	\$30.00	\$480.00
Highland Park Animal Hospital	\$480.00	\$30.00	\$510.00
Holiday Humane Society		\$1,060.00	\$1,060.00
Kinder4Rescue		\$2,092.00	\$2,092.00
Mar Vista Animal Med Ctr -Wendy C Brooks	\$330.00		\$330.00
LA Central Animal Hospital		\$946.00	\$946.00
N. Valley Vet Clinic -Todd A. Bender	\$60.00		\$60.00
North Figueroa Animal Hospital	\$42,868.00	\$9,014.00	\$51,882.00
Northridge Animal Med Ctr -Marco Pet Care Inc	\$3,328.00	\$510.00	\$3,838.00
Pet Care Veterinary Center	\$7,484.00	\$1,230.00	\$8,714.00
Porter Pet Hospital	\$3,010.00	\$574.00	\$3,584.00
Roxford Veterinary Clinic - Teresa Long	\$30.00	\$70.00	\$100.00
Shadow Hills Pet Clinic - Satich K. Mohan	\$30.00		\$30.00
South Shores Pet Clinic of San Pedro	\$1,230.00	\$658.00	\$1,888.00
Spay and Neuter of Los Angeles-Pico	\$628.00		\$628.00
Spay4LA		\$14,198.00	\$14,198.00
Taub Veterinary Services, Inc.	\$3,416.00		\$3,416.00
Valley Animal Hospital of Van Nuys	\$2,442.00	\$126.00	\$2,568.00
Value Vet., Inc.-Canoga Park	\$8,444.00	\$1,684.00	\$10,128.00
Warren Animal Hospital -Marsan Inc.	\$22,362.00	\$8,761.00	\$31,123.00
Westchester Vet Center -Henry K Yoo	\$266.00		\$266.00
Westside Cat Practice -Thomas H. Elston	\$210.00		\$210.00
Total Other Participating Vets	\$198,633.00	\$63,737.00	\$262,370.00

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**Report to the Board of Animal Services Commissioners
Brenda Barnette, General Manager**

COMMISSION MEETING DATE: March 24, 2015

PREPARED BY: Louis Dedeaux

REPORT DATE: March 19, 2015

TITLE: Field Operations Director

**SUBJECT: SHELTER RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE USE OF ANIMAL WELFARE
TRUST FUNDS – 2ND REQUEST**

BOARD ACTION RECOMMENDED:

APPROVE the use of Animal Welfare Trust Funds for shelter expenses in the amount of \$438,944, for the purchase of the following items and as further described in the report:

- Adlerhorst International Inc. Police K-9 Training Academy for all shelter staff at a cost of \$50,000
- Equipment for dog walking program at all six shelters for a total of \$1,294
- Playgroup training equipment at all six shelters for a total of \$8,715
- Puppy and kitten formula for all six shelters at a cost of \$46,713
- Wayfair Bubble Club Sofa for East Valley at a cost of \$3,605
- Zone equipment for music installation at all six shelters for a total of \$34,000
- Stand-Alone CCTV at Harbor, West LA, East Valley and West Valley shelters for a total cost of \$276,217
- Maneri Sign Co. Kennel Card Holders at all six shelters for a total cost of \$18,400

SUMMARY

The Department has been providing the Commission with monthly reports related to both the Animal Sterilization and Animal Welfare Trust Funds (AWTF). In the course of its meetings, the Board of Animal Services Commission (Board) has identified shelter needs based on testimony provided by the public and/or Department staff. The Board directed the Department to prepare a report showing needed shelter expenditures that support the purpose of the AWTF.

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SHELTER RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE USE OF ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST FUND – 2ND REQUEST

Meeting Date: March 24, 2015

THE ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST FUND

According to Article 4 of the Administrative Code, the AWTF can be used for the following:

The Fund shall be used to augment established programs and activities of the Department of Animal Services, other than those involving pet sterilization, and may be used for the acquisition, construction and maintenance of land and capital improvements and the purchase of equipment, services or furnishings in support of such programs and activities, subject to any special terms or conditions attached to individual gifts, contributions or bequests to the City.

The Director of Field Operations (Shelter) polled the respective shelter staff on the best use of these funds. Several items that will support and increase the quality of life of the animals and shelter environment were identified as follows:

Adlerhorst International Inc. Police K-9 Training Academy

Adlerhorst will provide a two day post-certified course on canine behavior and body language as well as safe and proficient animal handling techniques.

The unit price is \$200 per person, and the cost for two hundred and fifty (250) shelter personnel will total \$50,000.

Equipment for Dog Walking Program

This is for the purchase of nylon martingale collars. These collars will be used by the Department staff and volunteers to walk dogs as part of our Dog Walking Program.

The unit price is \$188, and the cost for six (6) shelters is \$1,126 plus shipping and handling for a total of \$1,294.

Playgroup Training Equipment

This equipment will allow staff and volunteers to conduct playgroups safely. This equipment will include bamboo clatter sticks, Sonik Blast whistles w/ breakaway lanyards, leather soft sticks, air horns and Mendota British styled slip leads.

The unit price is \$1,263 and the cost for six (6) shelters is \$7,578 plus shipping and handling for a total of \$8,715.

Puppy and Kitten Formula

Formula is needed at all six (6) shelters to aid in getting more kittens and puppies into foster care. Oftentimes, kittens and puppies get fostered in the middle of the night when it is impossible for a foster parent to purchase formula for the neonate. Formula will be provided at the time the person comes in to the shelter to serve as foster parent to get them started.

The unit price is \$6,770 and the cost for six (6) shelters is \$40,620 plus shipping and handling for a total of \$46,713.

Wayfair Bubble Club Sofa

The molded plastic sofa-style benches would be used at the East Valley dog and cat habitat display rooms so that the community is able to sit and visit with dogs and cats. This product provides greater safety for the animals than slatted park benches.

The unit price is \$3,134 plus shipping and handling for a total of \$3,605.

SHELTER RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE USE OF ANIMAL WELFARE TRUST FUND – 2ND REQUEST

Meeting Date: March 24, 2015

Zone Equipment for Music Installation

This equipment is needed at all six (6) shelters to control the music in various areas. Currently, when music is played, it broadcasts in all areas of the building making it difficult for staff to communicate with the public. This equipment will allow for the music to be restricted to the kennel and cat keeping areas.

The cost for equipment at all six (6) shelters is \$30,000 plus shipping and handling for a total of \$34,000.

Stand-Alone Closed Circuit Television (CCTV)

Security cameras are needed throughout the Harbor, West LA, East Valley and West Valley shelters for staff, public and animal safety. The cameras would be placed in key areas (parking, lobby, community room, animal receiving). This item was previously requested, but after meeting with the vendor, it was found that there is an 81% increase in cost from the original amount requested.

The unit price is \$60,047 and the cost for four (4) shelters is \$240,188 plus shipping and handling for a total of \$276,217.

Maneri Sign Co. Kennel Card Holders

Kennel card holders are needed at all six (6) shelters to replace any missing, old or damaged kennel card holders. These kennel card holders have been designed specifically for our Department.

The unit price is \$16,000 plus shipping and handling for a total of \$18,400.

The total cost for the items listed above is \$438,944. There is a balance of \$1,050,913 in unrestricted AWTF monies. Approval of this request would result in a total allocation of \$545,321 (\$156,377 was approved in September 2014) in AWTF for shelter use in FY 2014-2015.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no impact to the General Fund.

APPROVED



BRENDA BARNETTE, General Manager

BOARD ACTION:

_____ Passed

Disapproved _____

_____ Passed with noted modifications

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New Date _____