

**April
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Washoe County Regional Animal Services



Getting to Know Us: WCRAS Kennel Staff

Our Kennel Staff dedicate their time to lost pets that are brought into the shelter daily. Yes, they have the daily task of keeping the shelter clean and making sure that all pets have food and water, although their duties do not stop there. They also spend a lot of time working with the pets that have been left un-claimed at WCRAS. Staff spend a lot of time working with rescue groups that are willing to foster or take in an animal, with the goal of finding a permanent home for the pet. Next time you are in the shelter, take a minute to thank them for the above and beyond services that they provide for these lost pets!



Next Month: Field Supervisors

Just a little thank you...



...to express a lot of gratitude!



Hi!
I would like to Thank You all
for helping us out on Feb 22, 18
when we called for help for a
feral kitty we found. The dispatcher
was very kind and Helpful. and
the Young Lady that showed up
was so lovely and kind her name
was Shannon Shelton. was a huge
Thank You all for Your Help



Animal Control Appreciation Week

The week of April 8th is Animal Control Appreciation Week! In honor of all of the collective work from all of our staff to promote responsible care of animals through education, proactive outreach, and regulation, to make Washoe County a safe community; we are celebrating our wins!

This fiscal year, through our outreach programs, we have assisted over 600 seniors and their pets with pet food or medical care! We have participated in over 30 community events or educational presentations in schools or civic groups and we have reunited 2456 dogs, and 176 cats back with their owners! The number of dogs that pose a safety risk to the community are steadily increasing, however staff are working diligently to address dangerous dog issues. Through Administrative Hearings, 20 dogs were deemed dangerous this fiscal year so far. If a dog is deemed dangerous, the owner is required to adhere to strict requirements, including specific containment methods and obtain liability insurance, with the goal of improving the safety of our community.



Mittens, The Hitchhiker



We would like to introduce everyone to “Mittens”, the 7 month old male kitten, that is a bit of a dare devil as his owners have recently come to find out. A few weeks ago, Mittens got stuck in the serpentine belt of his family’s vehicle. Mittens did suffer an injury from that incident and was rushed to the vet where got a pin or two in his injured leg. After Mittens healed, he was determined to explore his adventurous spirit! Unbeknown to his family, Mittens crawled into the vehicle engine area again and hitch-hiked his way all the way from Damonte Ranch to the Glendale area in Sparks in the underside of the car! He waited for the right time to slink out of the vehicle engine area and wander off. Three weeks later, a citizen found him and turned him into WCRAS. The family was notified and were extremely relieved that they could tell their daughter that Mittens was coming home! Mitten’s story is important to share , because it is common for cats to climb their way into an engine to stay warm. It is a good idea to tap the hood of your vehicle or check the engine compartment of your vehicle before starting it up. Mittens may be trying to hitchhike his way into another adventure!



Upcoming Events

Tuesday April 3rd: Low Cost Vaccine Clinic

Classroom in WCRAS at 3:00pm– 7:00pm

Tuesday April 10th: Free Vaccine Clinic for Seniors (must be 60+ with ID)

Classroom in WCRAS at 9:00am– 1:00pm

Tuesday April 17th: Free Pet Food Distribution for Seniors (must be 60+ with ID)

Senior Center at 1155 9th St at 8:00am— 10:00am or until supplies lasts

Tuesday May 1st: Low Cost Vaccine Clinic

Classroom in WCRAS at 3:00pm– 7:00pm