



Montgomery County Animal Care and Control

2018

Annual Report

Field and Shelter Activity

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Introduction

Montgomery County Animal Care and Control continues to strive to be a well-respected community leader and primary source for the optimal care and protection of animals and people in Montgomery County.

Mission

Our mission is accomplished through working in compliance with state and local regulations; cooperation with area Veterinary clinics, animal organizations, and animal rescue groups; advancing community and staff education and by serving for the protection, welfare and adoption of animals.

Adoption

MCACC adopted 1,512 animals in 2018. We promote all of our adoptable animals through local media outlets and radio stations such as Clarksville Now, Leaf Chronicle, 100.3 WVVR The Beaver Radio Station, 97.5 WZZP The Z Radio Station, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. You will see our pet of the week on Wet Nose Wednesdays on 97.5 the Z.

Several adoption events were held throughout 2018 including Wags to Wings Octoberfest, Super Hero's Adopt Event, and Shoppes at Sango were some of our bigger events this past year. We also held several adoption promotions through 2018 that were sponsored by local organizations such as The Angel Fund of Montgomery County, Humane Society of Clarksville/Montgomery County, we were also able to spay/neuter to adopt numerous animals that were sponsored by members of our community. MCACC Also held an adoption/education event at Google over the summer as part of their safety fair for onsite staff.

We also introduced several new adoption programs in 2018 to help move less desirable dogs and cats out of the shelter and into loving homes. The Golden Whiskers Club helps find homes for those dogs and cats that are 6 years of age or older, Lonely Hearts Club for those dogs and cats that have been in shelter for more than 30 days, and Pets for Patriots pairs veterans with special needs with dogs or cats that need extra training or care. We also partnered with Nutrena Brand Dog Food's and Rural King promoting adoptable dogs and cats. This was all in addition to numerous other offsite events, shelter tours, organization presentations and other community related services provided by MCACC.

Rescue and Foster

MCACC worked with over 65 rescues throughout Tennessee, Kentucky, Illinois, and Missouri including several rescues throughout the eastern United States and Ohio River Valley. We were able to place 1,123 animals in licensed rescues in 2018. We were able to not only transfer adoptable animals but also those animals requiring behavioral modification, medical care, or provide homes for animals that were terminally ill. Animals moving to rescue were promoted through phone and social media contacts by Shelter Staff.

MCACC placed 539 dogs and cats into foster homes in 2018. Most foster animals included those animals that were a nursing mother with kittens or puppies that were too young for adoption or those animals that were heartworm positive, had a significant injury requiring recovering, or other medical related reasons.

Education

MCACC is working hard to increase its educational campaign in Montgomery County and the City of Clarksville through promoting responsible pet ownership, bite prevention, animal behavior modification, lost and found animals and general animal information. Shelter Staff and Volunteers gave shelter tours to local children's organizations such as the Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, and school groups. MCACC is working to establish a partnership with Montgomery County Schools to implement animal humane education programs in local schools.

Volunteers

MCACC is proud to have many awesome volunteers from within our own community who are vital to the mission at Montgomery County Animal Care and Control. Volunteers provide day to day socialization and enrichment to all of our animals that are in our care and waiting for adoption, foster homes for animals until they are ready for adoption, provide education and awareness, and assist with staffing at onsite and offsite events.

Pet Identification

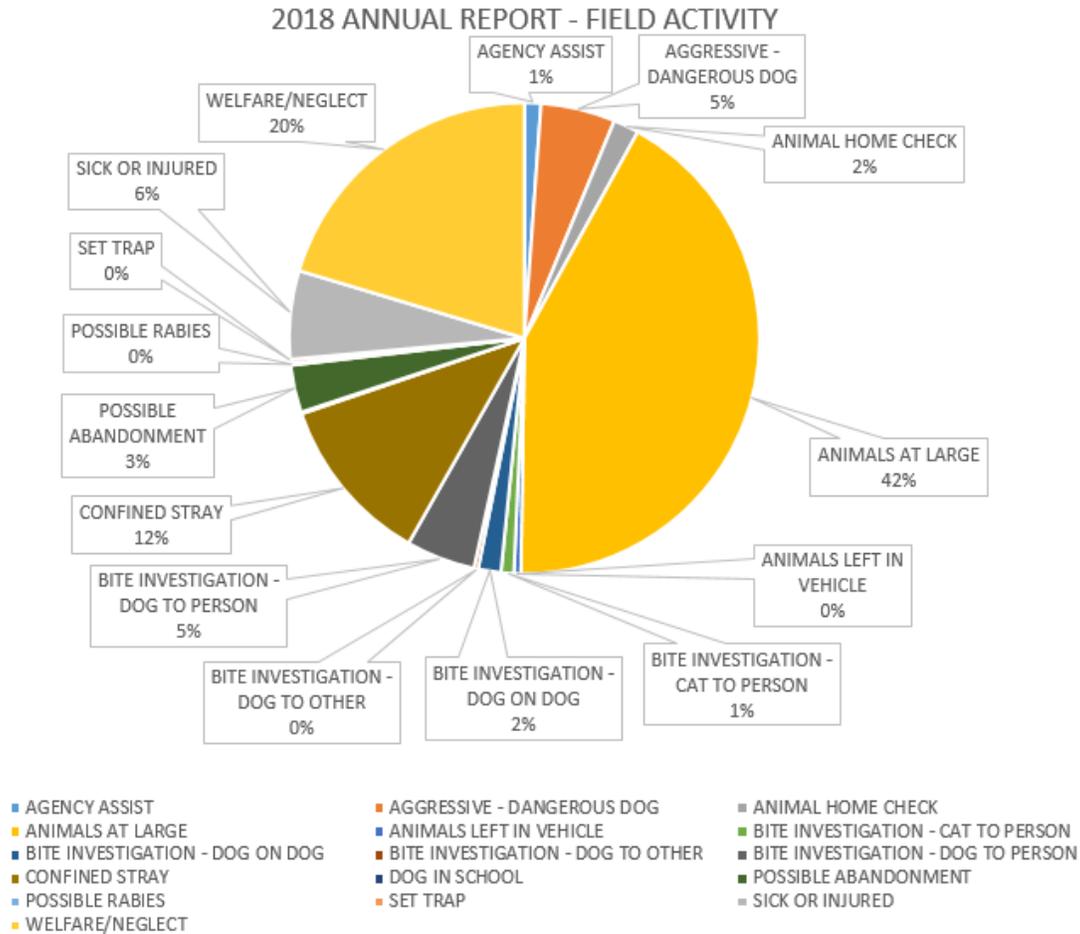
In September of 2018 Montgomery County Animal Care and Control began its microchipping campaign in an effort to ensure that all animals leaving MCACC were implanted with a microchip for easy identification. Due to the high number of dogs and cats that are impounded yearly and are not able to be reunited with their owners it was essential to ensure that future lost pets are easily reunited with their families. Since September 2018 MCACC has implanted over 550 microchips to reclaimed and adopted animals in Montgomery County.

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 2018 cover 544 square miles and 741 miles of roadway, excluding the city of Clarksville and a portion of Ft. Campbell Military installation. 42% of all calls were for Animals at Large and 20% of all calls were Welfare/Neglect complaints.

Officer Activity

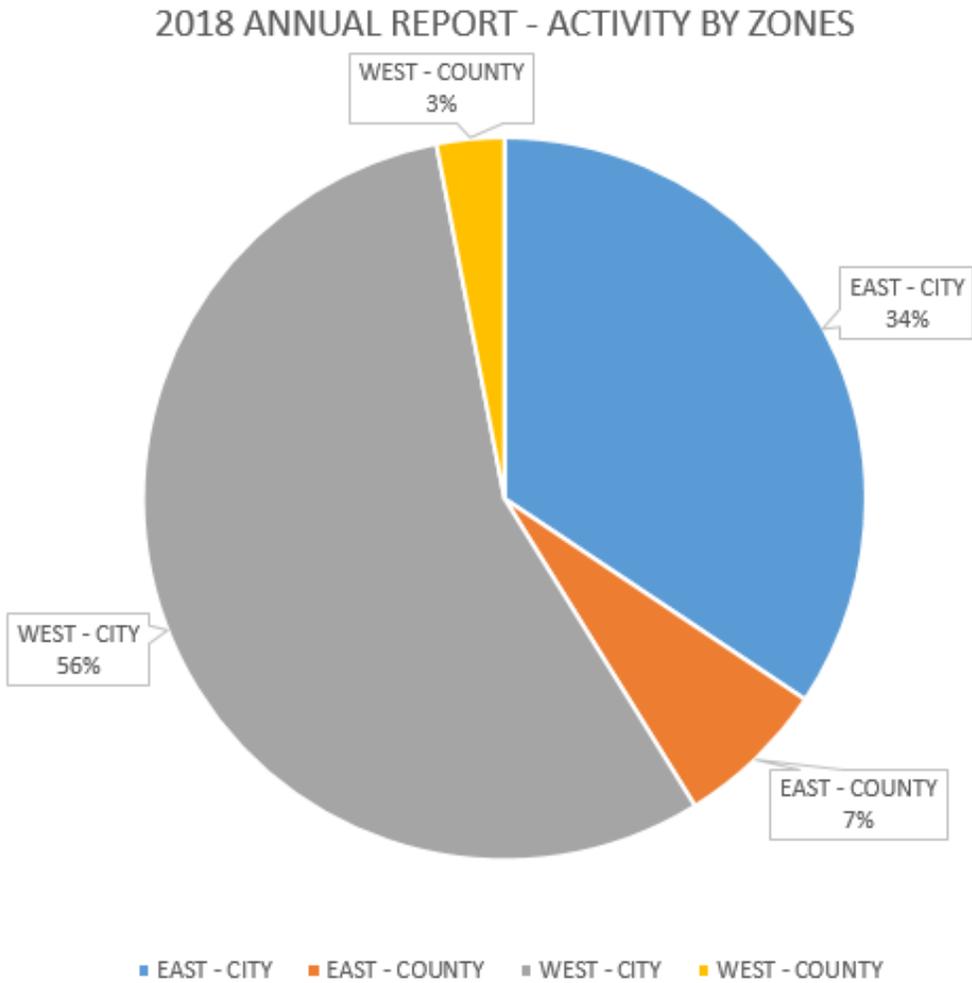
In 2018, MCACC Animal Control Officers responded to over 5,200 calls for service.



TYPE OF CALL	1 ST . Quarter	2 ND Quarter	3 RD Quarter	4 TH Quarter
Aggressive/Dangerous Dog	71	74	58	73
Animal Home Check	18	17	17	38
Animal Left in Vehicle	9	8	6	2
Animals At Large	600	555	468	567
Bite Investigations	91	112	91	80
Confined Stray	133	182	128	151
Officer Assist	9	16	16	16
Possible Abandonment	39	48	38	44
Sick or Injured Animal	61	85	90	77
Welfare/Neglect	303	283	233	238
Other	11	3	8	2
Total	1,345	1,383	1,153	1,292

FIELD SERVICE CALLS BY ZONES

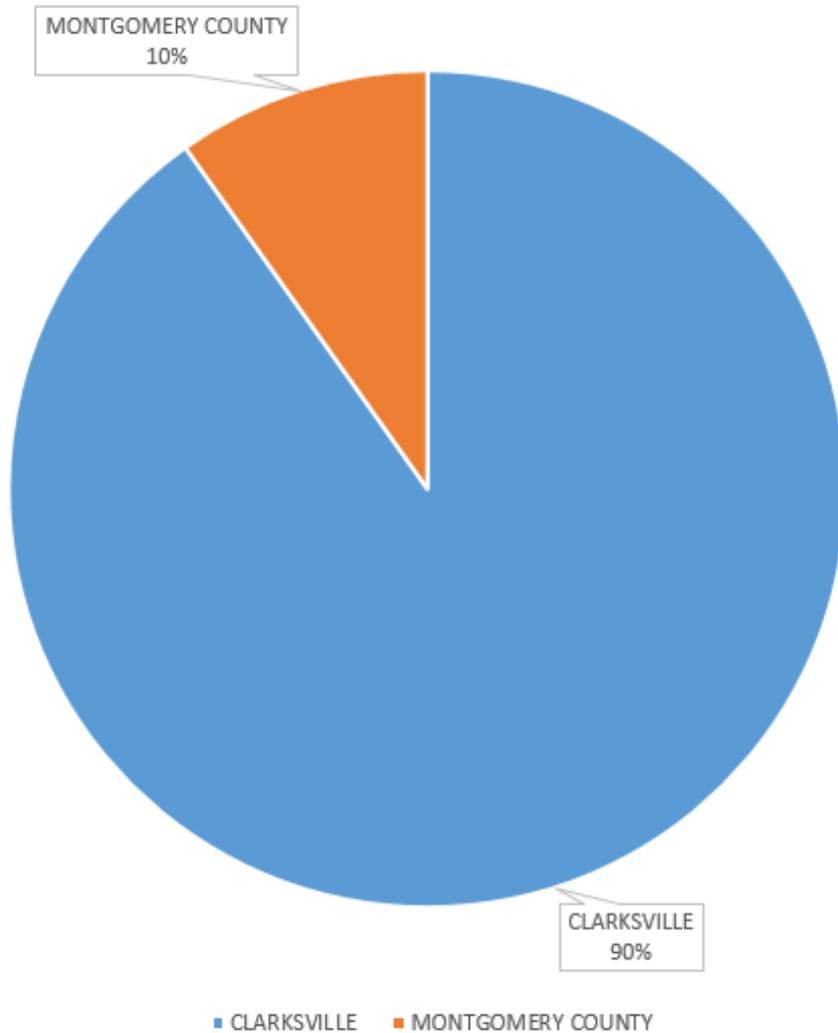
Animal Control Officers responded to 5,173 calls for service in Montgomery County in 2018 with a majority of the calls, (54%) being in the West portion of Montgomery County/City of Clarksville.



FIELD SERVICE CALLS BY JURISDICTION

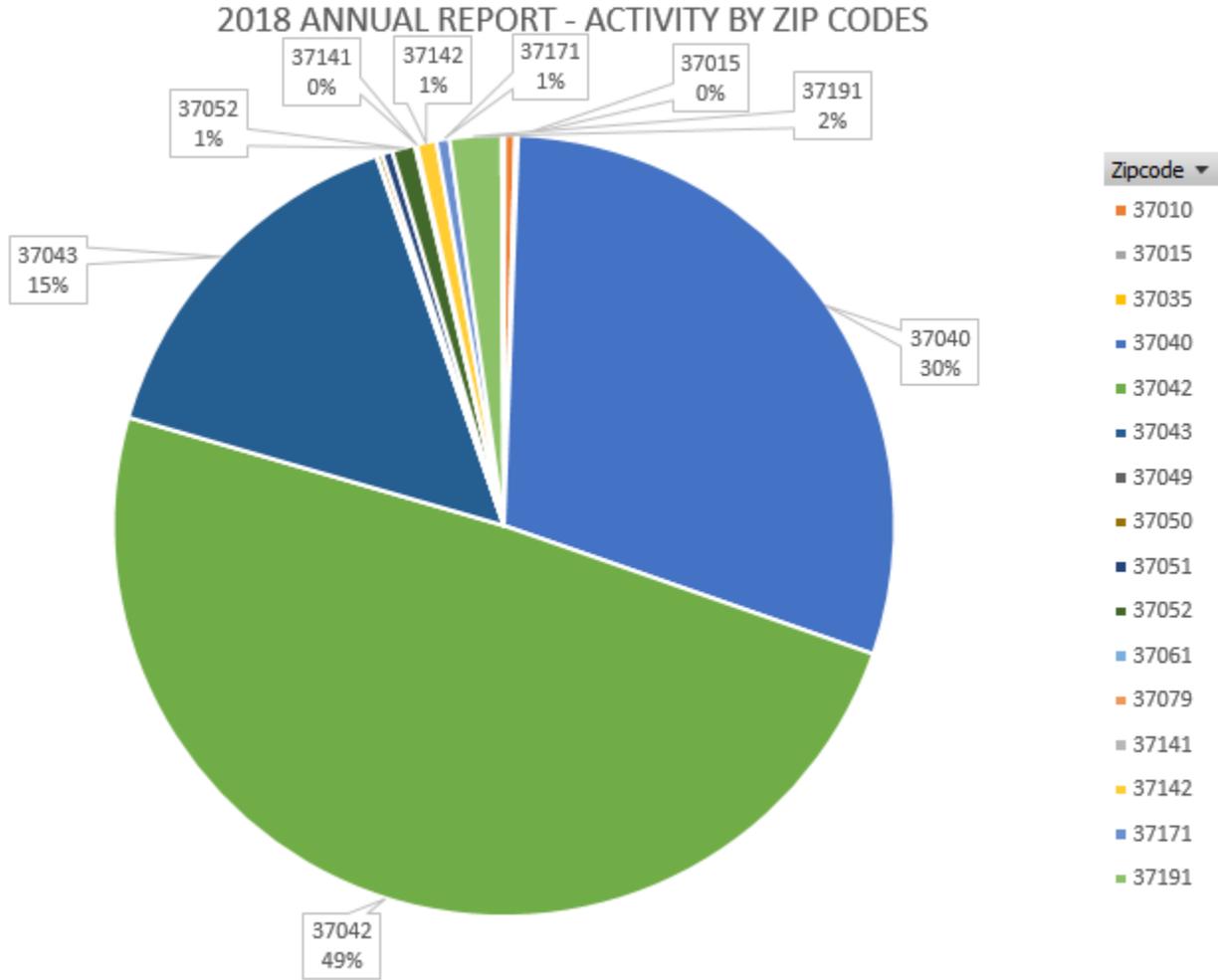
Calls for service that were responded to in Montgomery County were dispersed into the following two Jurisdictions, which covers the Montgomery County outside of the Clarksville City Limits and all unincorporated areas of the County, and within the city limits of Clarksville. (90%) of all calls for 2018 occurred within the city of Clarksville and (10%) of calls for 2018 occurred in the unincorporated areas of Montgomery County.

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FIELD SERVICE CALLS BY ZIP CODE

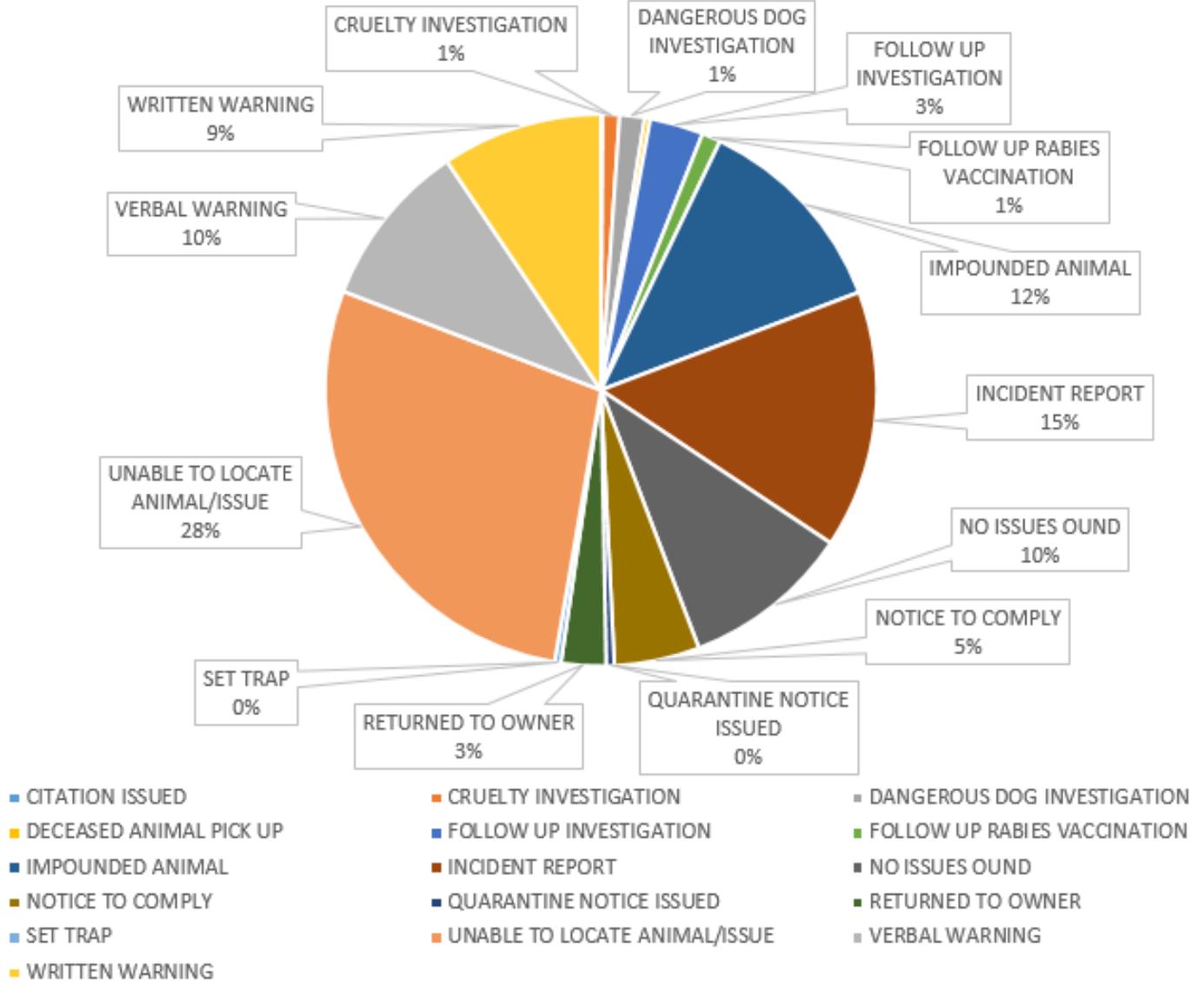
Calls for service that were responded to in Montgomery County were dispersed into the following thirteen (13), which covers the Montgomery County outside of the Clarksville City Limits and all unincorporated areas of the County, and within the city limits of Clarksville. (49%) of all calls for the 2018 occurred within the 37042 Zip Code, which compromises the North Central portion of Montgomery County north of the Cumberland River, while (27%) 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 5,173 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. Some calls will have multiple outcomes due to the nature of the call (i.e. report written and verbal warning issued).

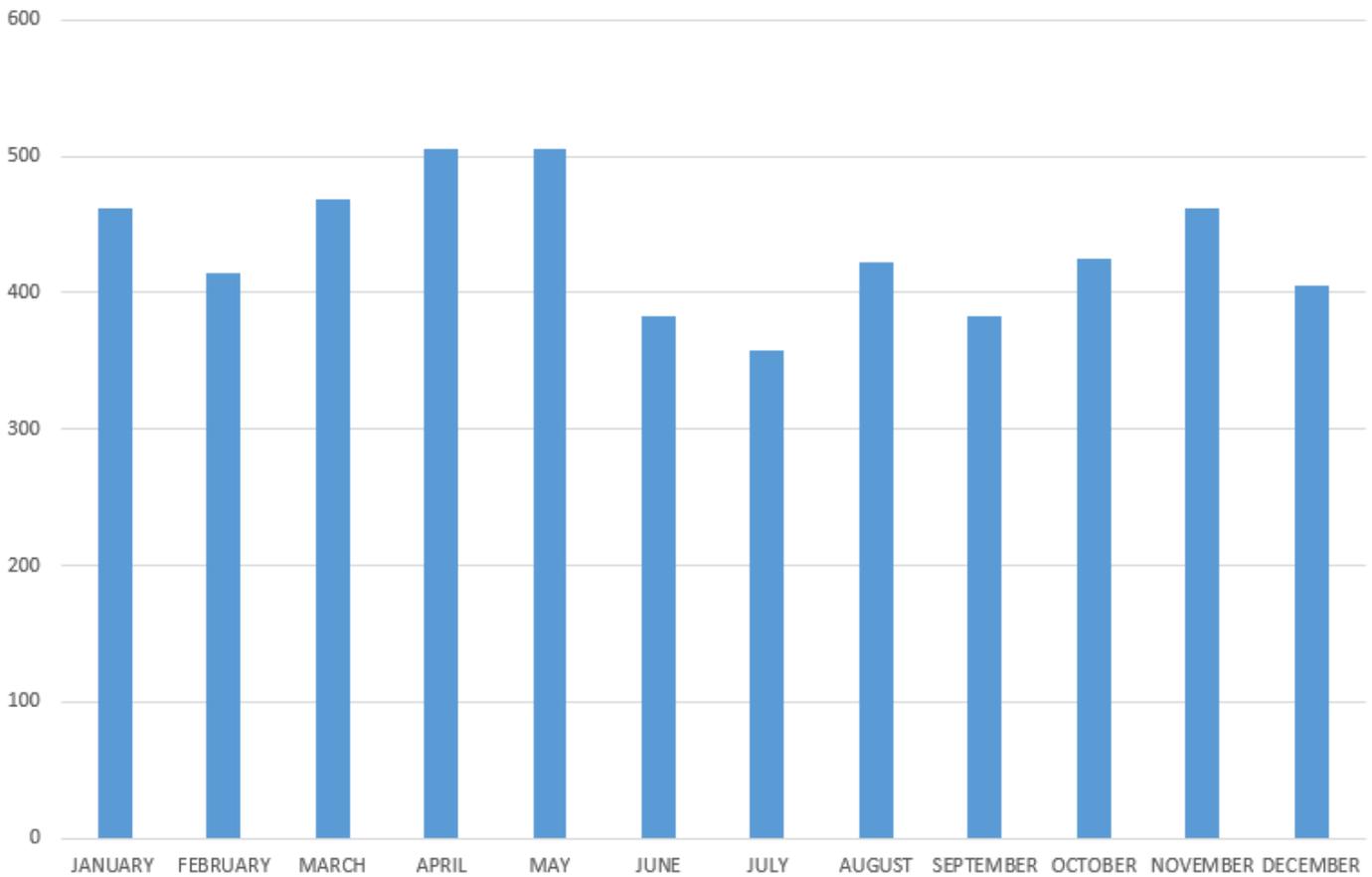
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OFFICER FIELD ACTIVITY RESULTS BY MONTH

This will be the first year that a monthly base line for activity calls is being recorded. Officers responded to over 5,173 calls in 2018 with the highest activity months being April and May.

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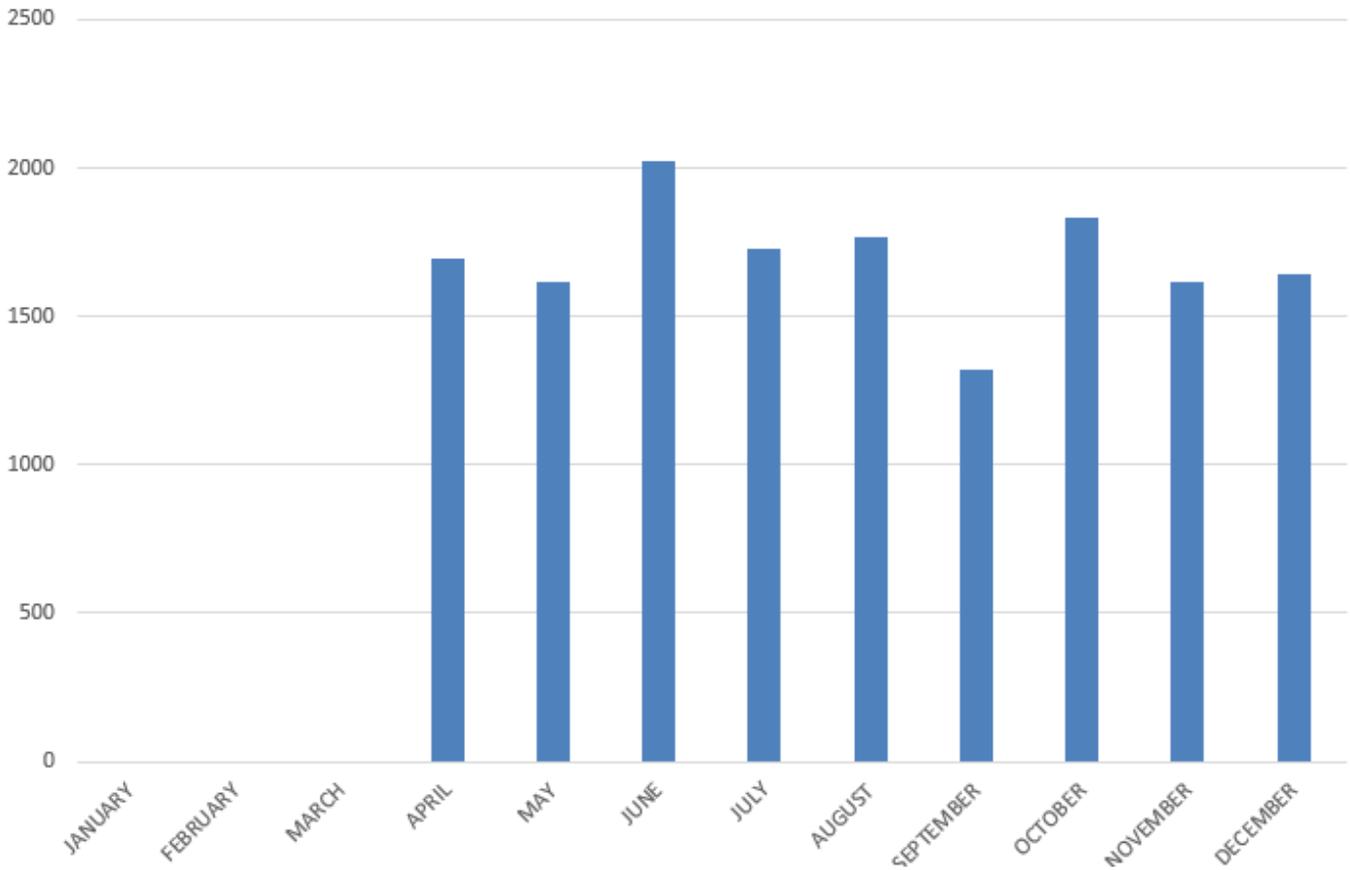


SHELTER AND ADOPTION SERVICES

Kennel Visitors

The shelter saw over 15,000 visitors to the shelter in 2018. The actual total is much higher, however, no data has been recorded prior to March of 2018. Most of the visitors indicated they were looking to adopt a pet or trying to locate a lost pet.

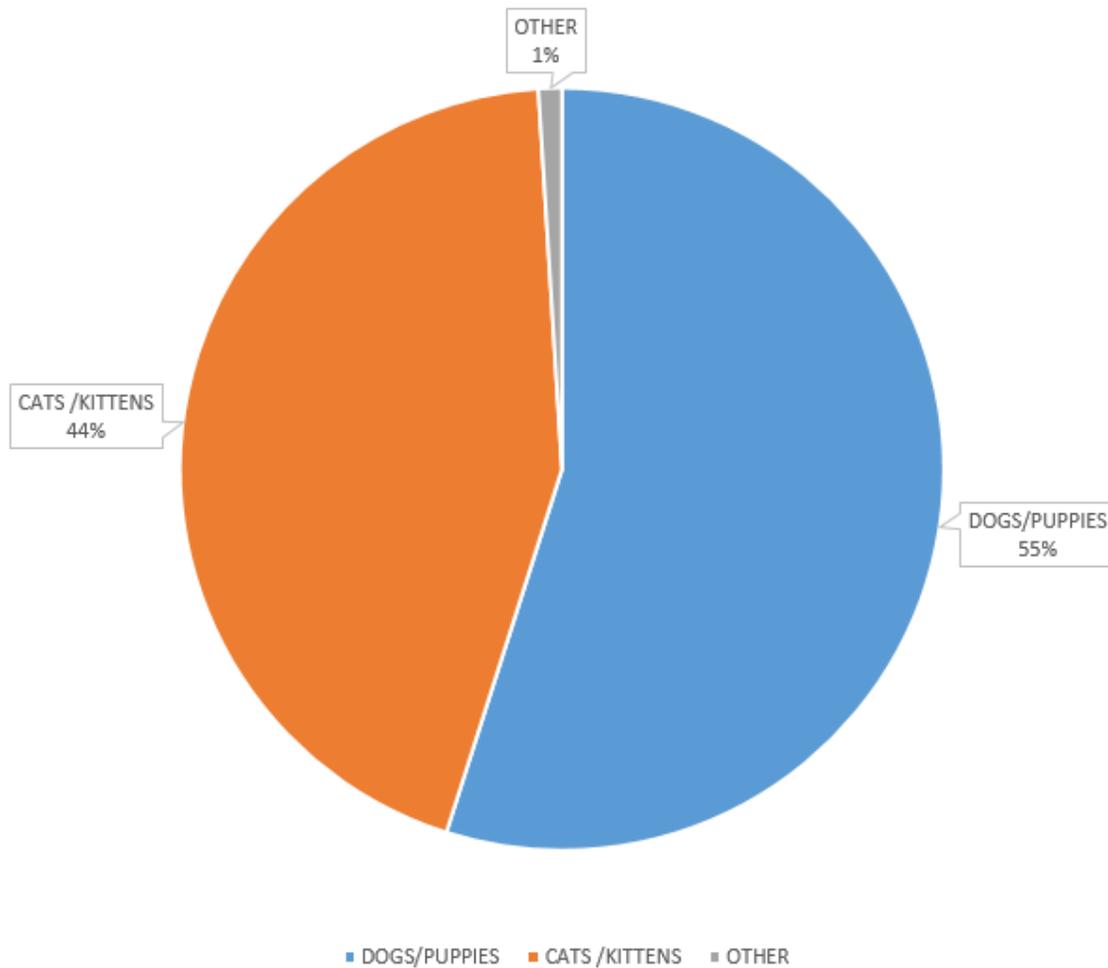
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Animals Impounded

In 2018 the shelter took in over 4,260 animals. Of the animals impounded, 44% were cats/kittens, 55% were dogs/puppies with 1% being other animals (ferrets, pigs, birds, rabbits, etc.)

2018 ANNUAL REPORT - INTAKES BY SPECIES

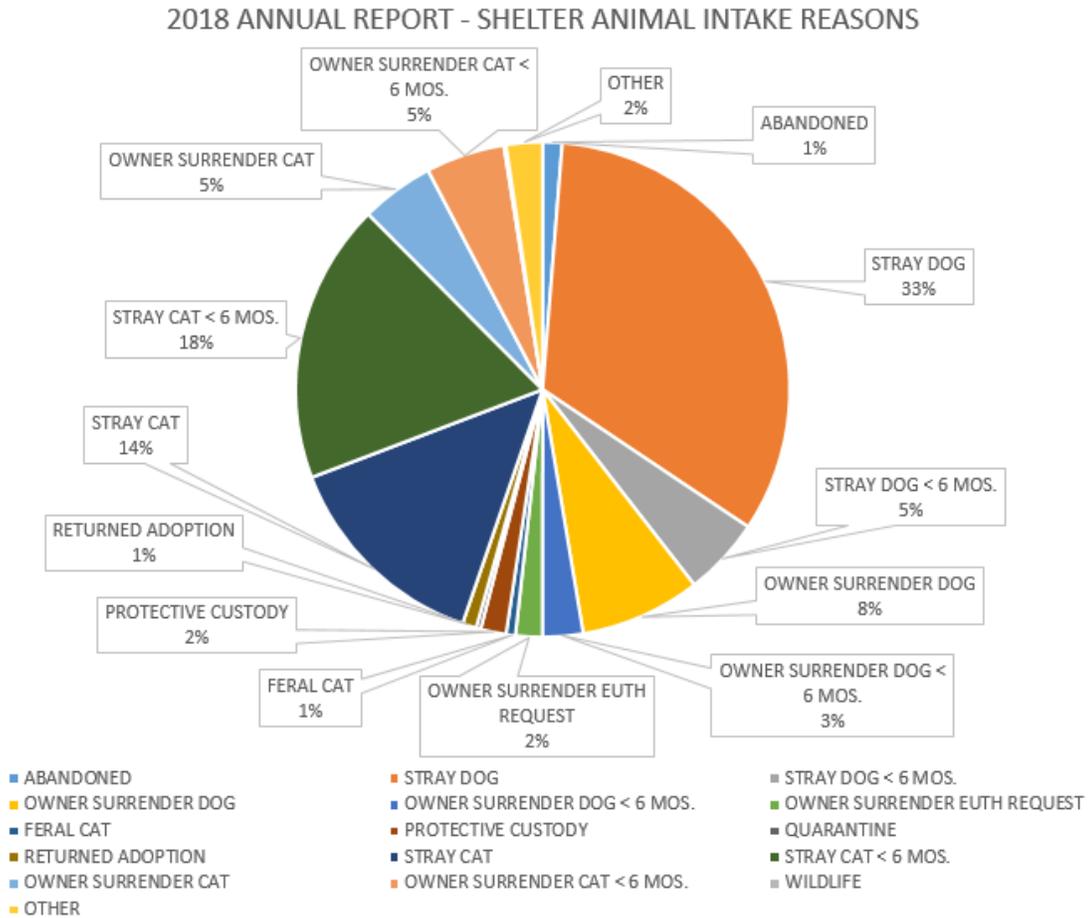


Types of Animals Impounded	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter
Dog/Puppies	529	648	659	582
Cat/Kittens	252	630	529	394
Other	2	18	11	16
Total	783	1,296	1,086	992

SHELTER INTAKE REASONS

The shelter took 4,260 animals in 2018. A majority of those intakes, (70%) were stray animals either picked up in the field or brought in over the counter. (23%) were owner surrendered pets and the remaining (7%) consisted of Adoption Returns, Feral Animals, Euthanasia Requests, Bite Quarantines, Protective Custody, and Abandoned Animals.

NOTE: Owner Surrenders dropped by 43% over 3rd quarter 2018

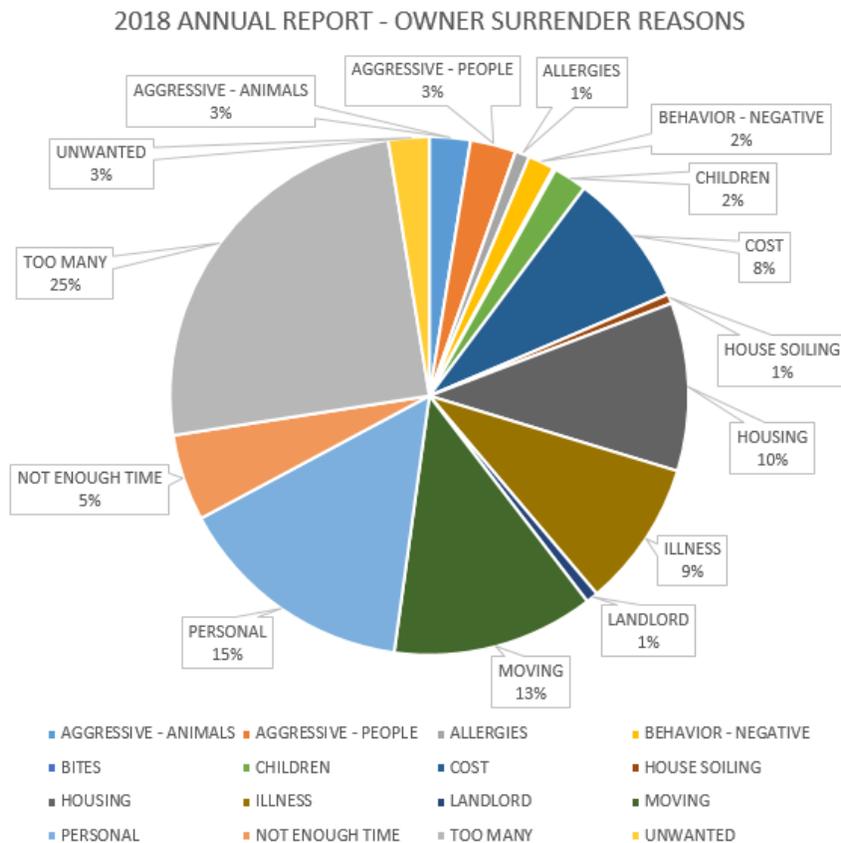


ENTRY REASON	1 ST QUARTER	2 ND QUARTER	3 RD QUARTER	4 TH QUARTER
Owner Surrender	204	315	225	124
Biting/Quarantine	5	2	5	1
Protective Custody	10	24	13	23
Died	1	0	0	0
Abandoned	10	10	18	16
Stray Animal	601	861	790	798
Euthanasia Request	12	21	18	5
Feral Cat	3	16	8	4
Adoption Return	15	19	0	5
Wildlife	1	2	4	3
Other	5	25	0	17
Total	867	1,295	1,086	996

Owner Surrenders

Beginning in April of 2018, we began to track the reason for owner surrenders in Montgomery County. There were 667 tracked owner surrenders from April 2018 to December 31 2018. Of those Owner Surrenders, the most prevalent reason to Owner Surrender was 1. Too Many - 25%, followed by 2. Personal - 15% and Moving - 13%. Time, Owner Illness, and Behavior were other primary reasons 52%

NOTE: We have seen a 65% decrease in owner surrenders from the 2nd quarter 2018.

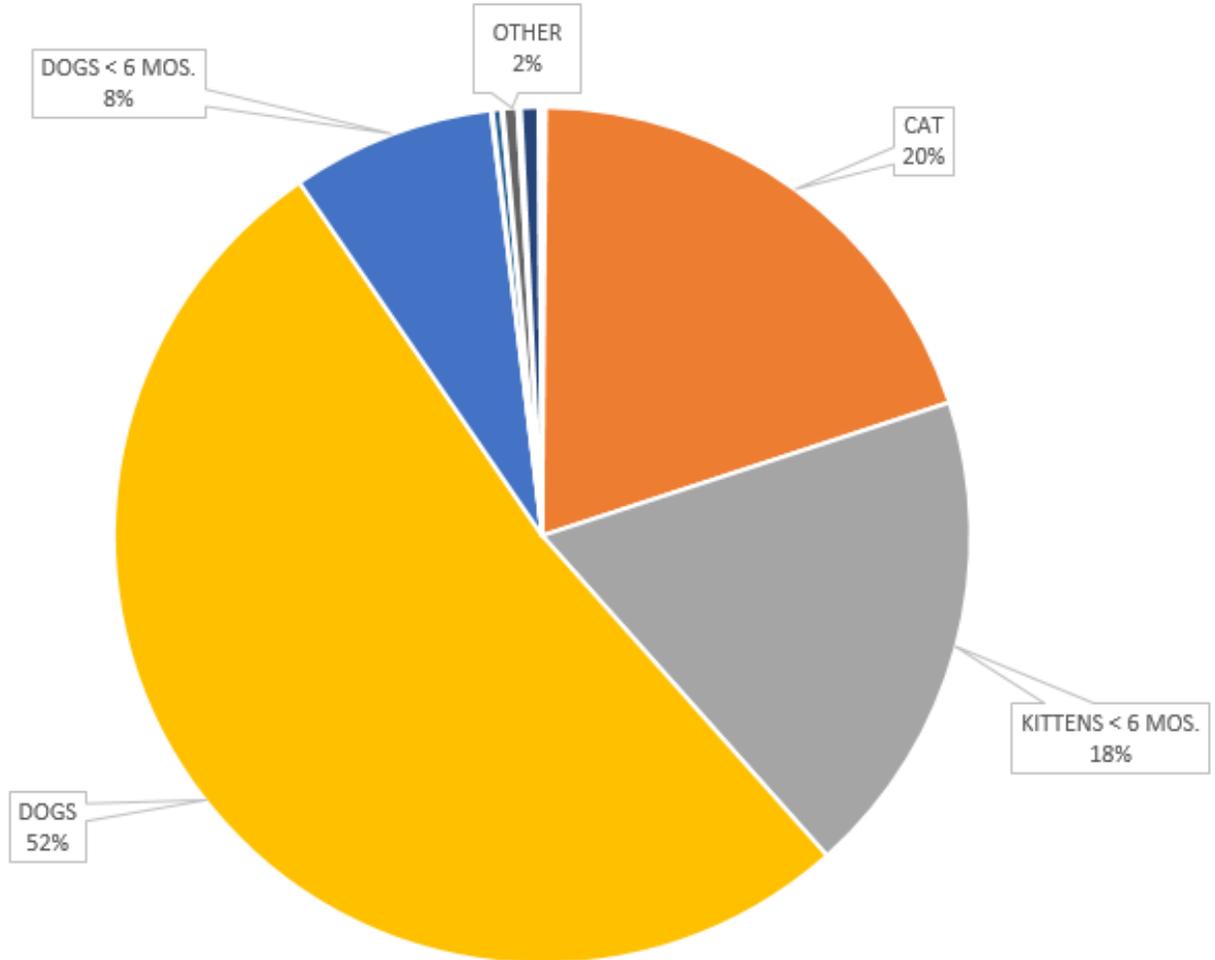


Owner Surrenders	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter
Aggressive	No Data	22	12	16
Allergies	No Data	3	1	1
Children	No Data	4	4	3
Cost	No Data	35	15	5
House Soiling	No Data	4	0	0
Housing	No Data	40	13	15
Illness	No Data	24	25	12
Landlord	No Data	4	2	0
Moving	No Data	43	33	6
Personal	No Data	41	21	23
Time	No Data	18	7	10
Too Many	No Data	79	66	18
Unwanted	No Data	0	9	6
Total		317	209	111

Adoptions

The shelter adopted out 1,512 animals in 2018 a 5% increase in adoptions from 2017. There were various species of animals that were adopted from MCACC ranging from Dogs and Cats to Pigs and Ferrets. Dogs and Puppies made up 60% of all adoptions while Cats and Kittens were 38% followed by 2% consisting of Birds, Chickens, Pigs, Ferrets, Rabbits, and Guinea pigs.

2018 ANNUAL REPORT - TOTAL ADOPTIONS

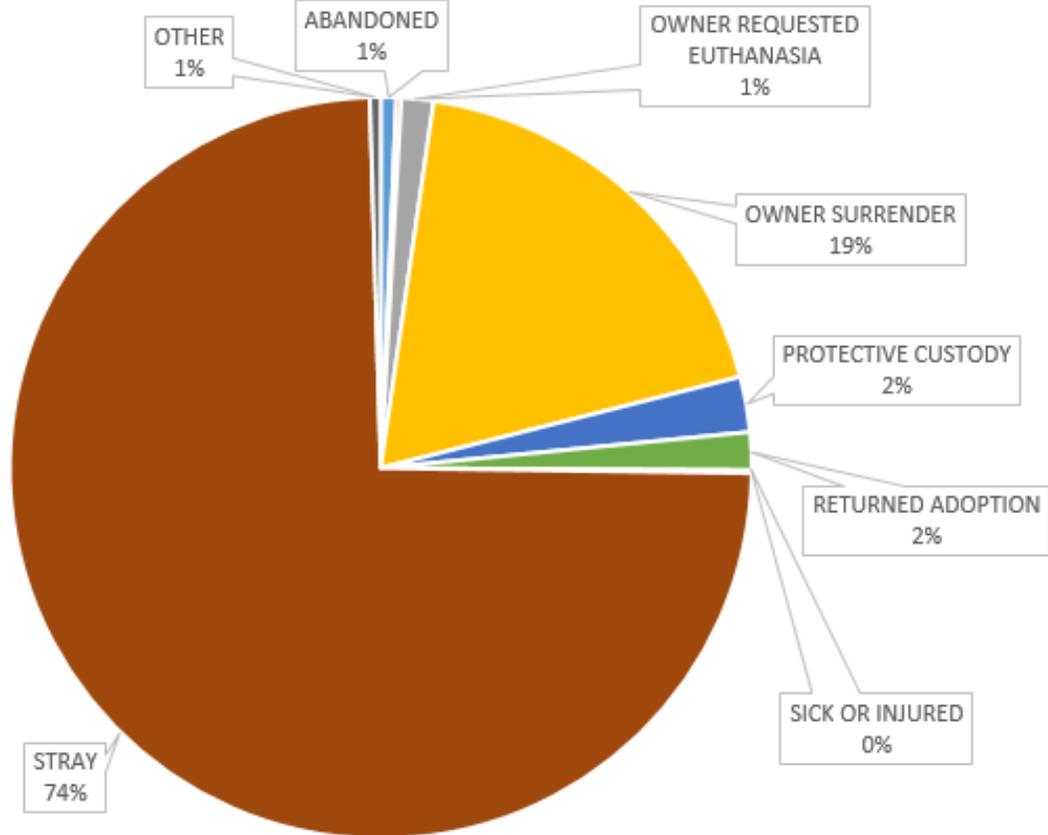


■ BIRD ■ CAT ■ KITTENS < 6 MOS. ■ DOGS ■ DOGS < 6 MOS. ■ CHICKEN ■ FERRET ■ GOAT ■ GUINEA PIG ■ PIG ■ RABBIT ■ RAT

Dogs

There were 2,336 dogs impounded in 2018. 74% were strays, 19% were owner released. 7% were for other reasons (Quarantine, Protective Care, Confiscated), and 1% were impounded for owner requested euthanasia

2018 ANNUAL REPORT - DOG INTAKE REASONS



- ABANDONED
- BITING/QUARANTINE
- OWNER REQUESTED EUTHANASIA
- OWNER SURRENDER
- PROTECTIVE CUSTODY
- RETURNED ADOPTION
- SICK OR INJURED
- STRAY
- OTHER

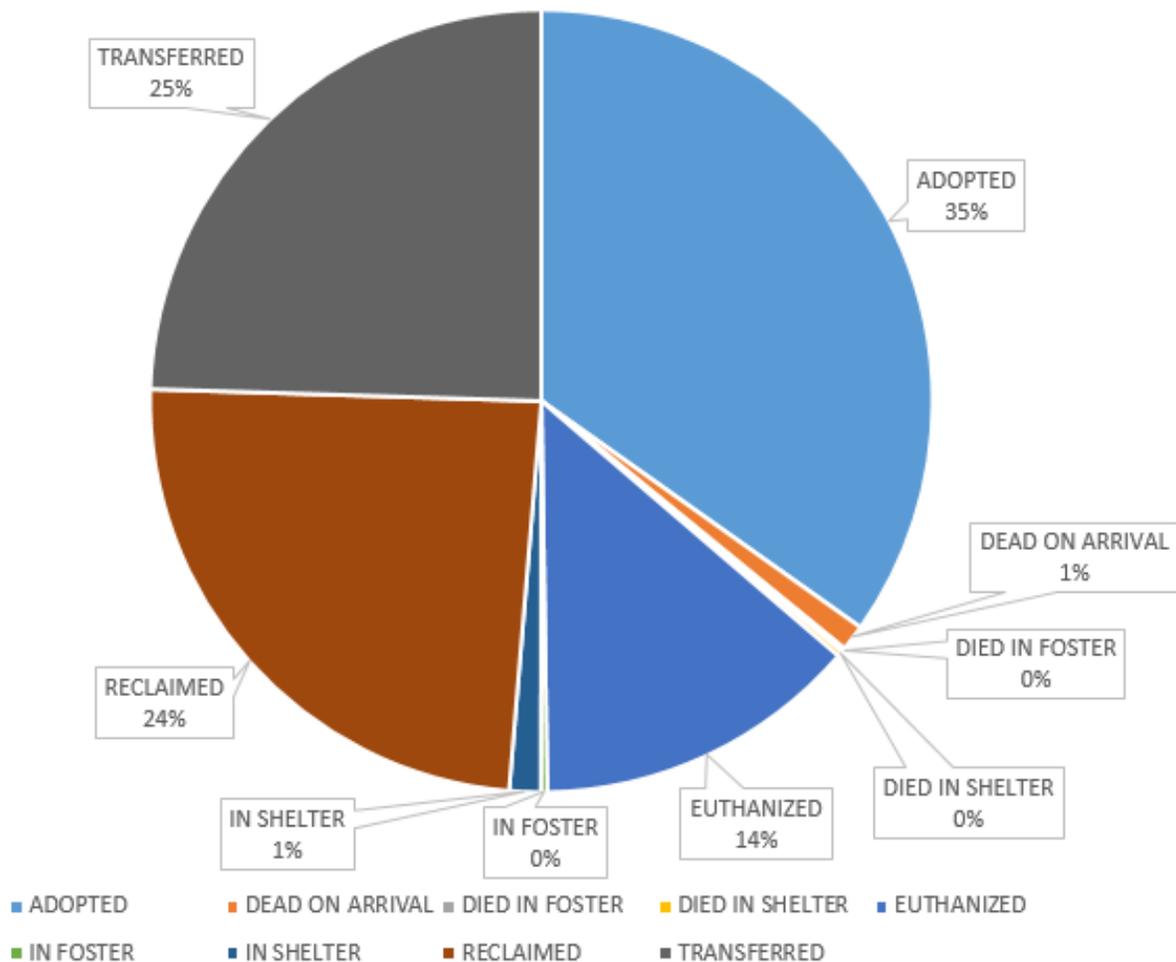
Dog Impound Reason	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter
Stray	376	426	392	470
Owner Release	138	145	106	62
Other Reason	32	24	18	32
Euthanasia Request	10	21	18	5
Total	556	613	553	579

Dog Outcomes

Outcomes for dogs impounded at the shelter in 2018 were primarily adoptions 35%, returned to owner 24%, and transferred to rescue 25%. Another 14% were euthanized.

***MCACC had a live release rate of 85% for dogs at the end of 2018**

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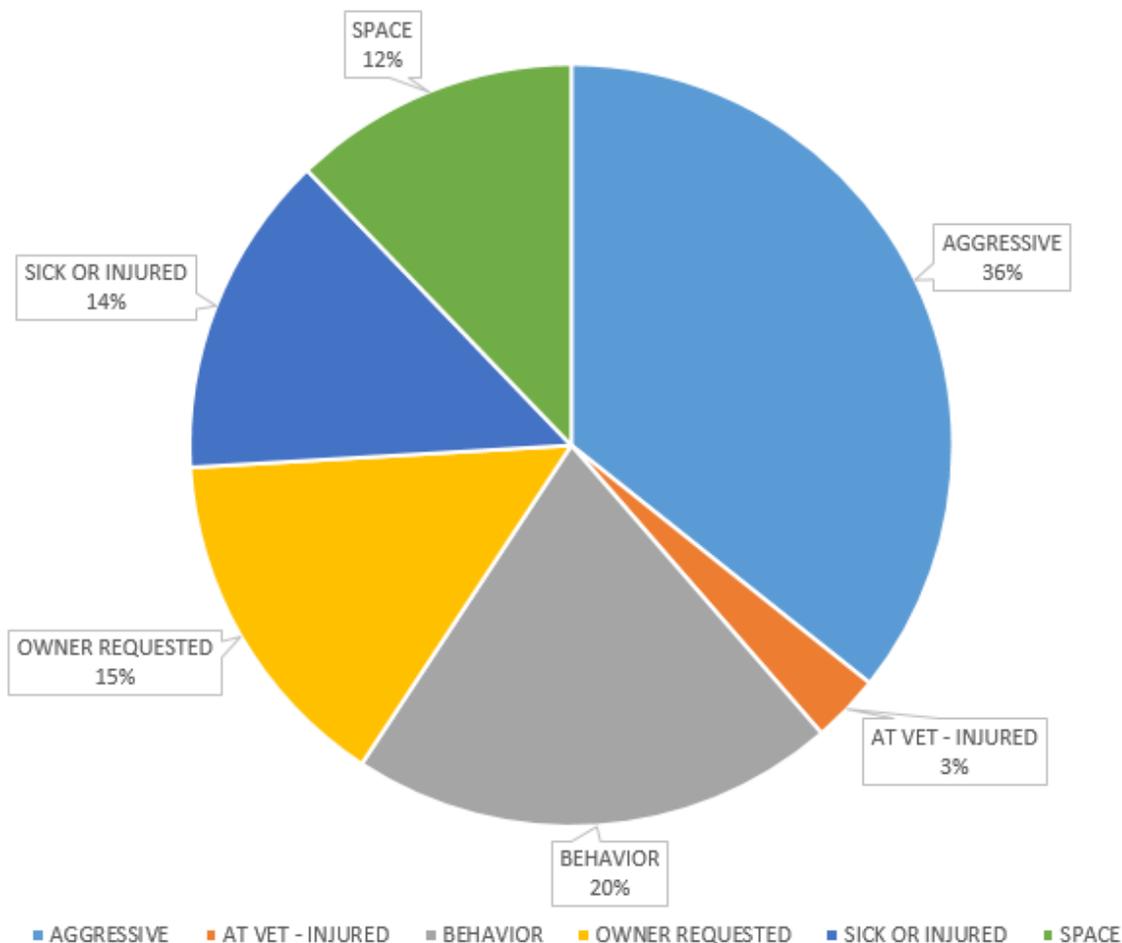
Dog Outcome	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter
Adoption	227	221	201	223
Return to Owner	86	164	159	145
Euthanasia	133	65	109	61
Transfer/Rescue	173	181	121	97
Total	619	631	590	579

Dog Euthanasia

Of the 368 dogs euthanized, 56% were for behavior or aggression problems that were deemed unadoptable or unsuitable for rescue. 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 14%, space due to overcrowding and no available rescues or facilities to accept overflow 12% and owner requested euthanasia 15%

***NOTE: Euthanasia's due to no space were reduced by 71% from the 1st quarter.**

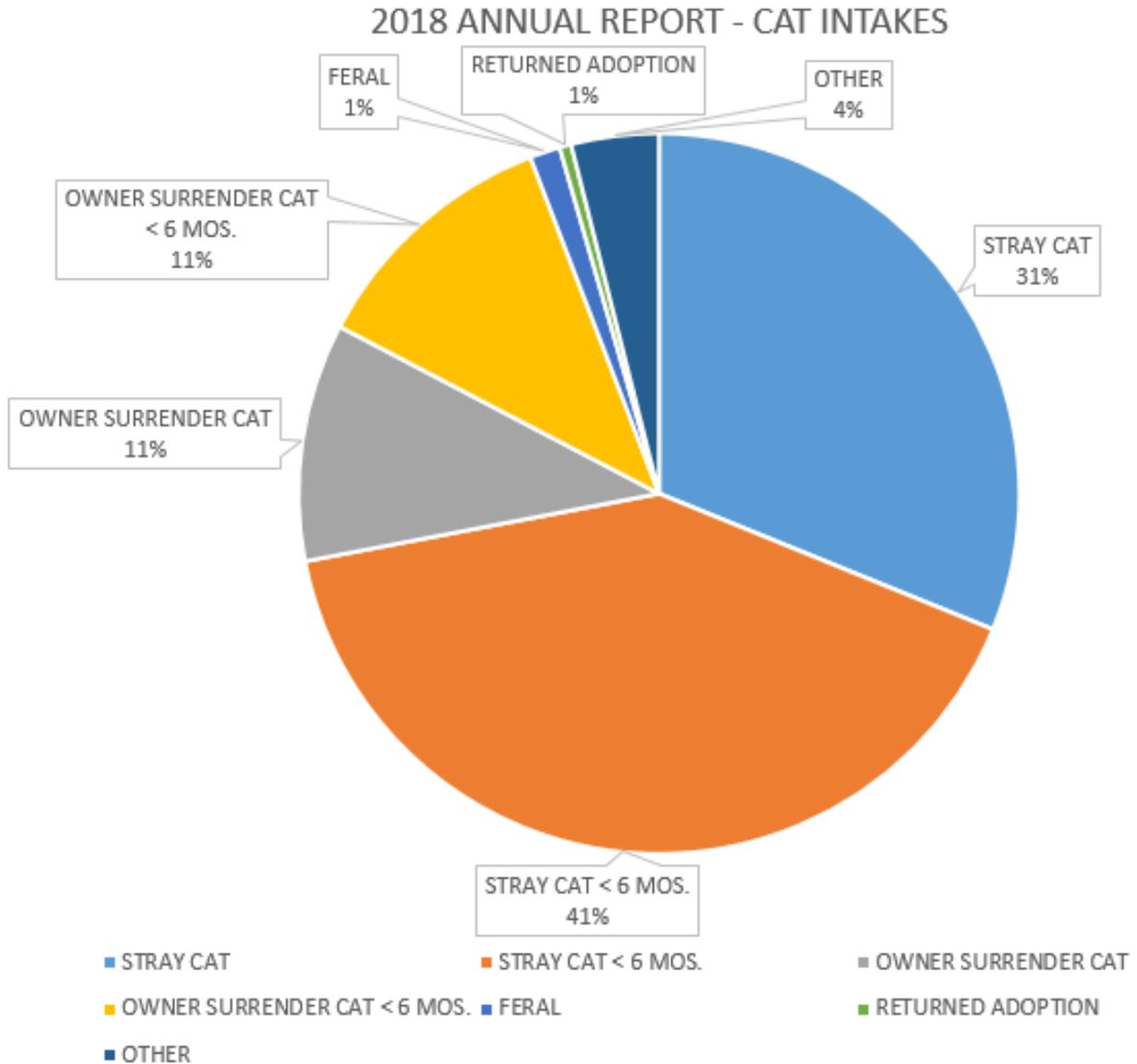
2018 ANNUAL REPORT - DOG EUTHANASIA REASO



Dog Euthanasia Reason	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter
Behavior/Aggression	32	44	83	50
Medical	6	15	18	11
Space	32	9	0	9
Euthanasia Request	17	18	18	6
Total	87	86	119	61

Cats

There were over 1,600 cats impounded in 2018. 72% were stray cats and kittens, 22% were owner surrenders and 6% were for other reasons such as returned adoptions, feral, etc. A great number of the cats impounded would tremendously benefit from a shelter operated “return to field” program.



Cat Impound Reason	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter
Stray	202	274	407	328
Owner Release	69	172	119	62
Other Reason	4	16	6	4
Total	275	462	532	394

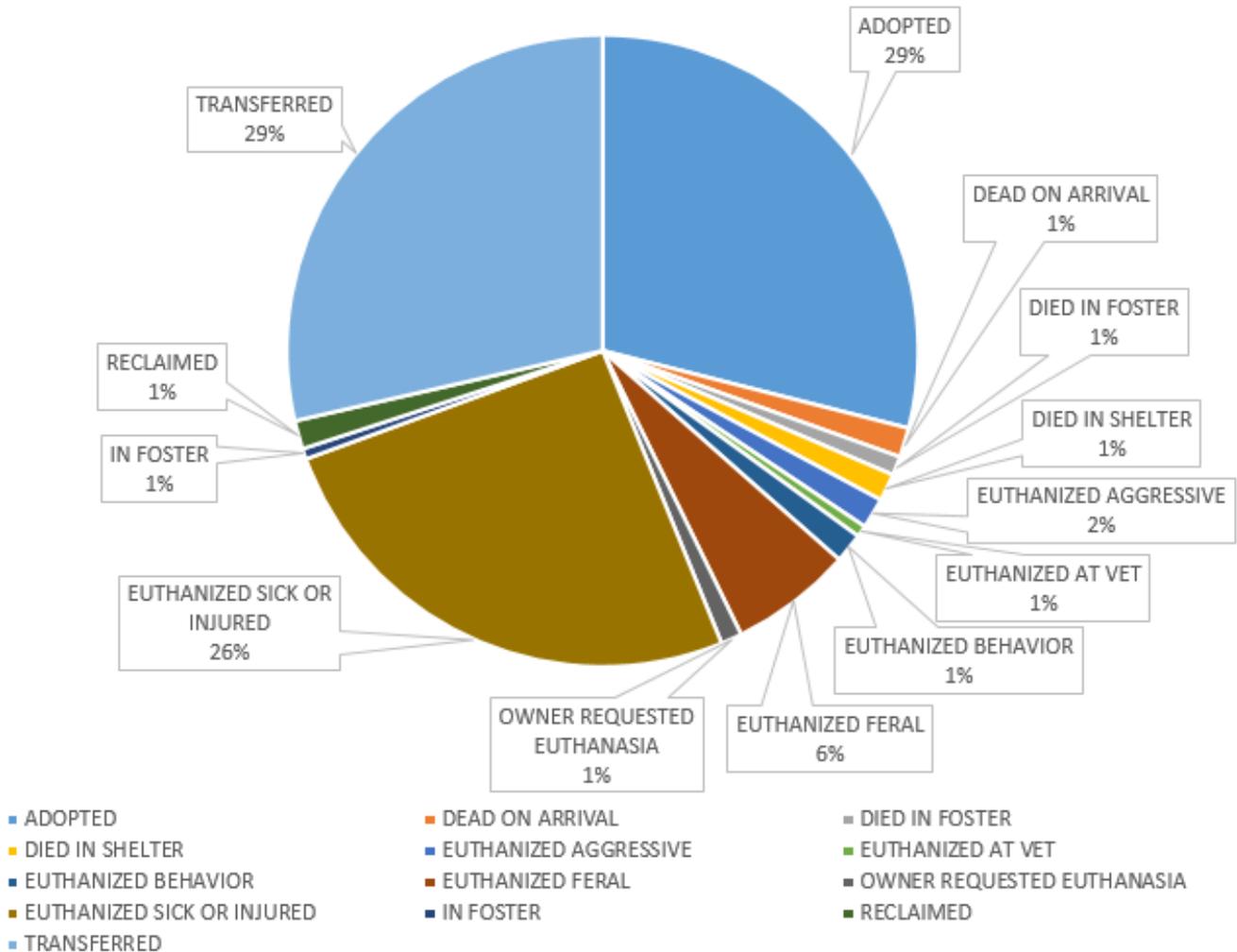
Cat Outcomes

Outcomes for cats impounded at the shelter were primarily for Adoption 29% and Transferred to other shelters, rescues or Humane Societies for adoption 29%. 26% euthanized after intake.

NOTE: We saw a 48% decrease in euthanasia from 2nd quarter and a 23% increase in adoptions

NOTE 2: MCACC ended 2018 with a 65% live release rate, 15% increase over 2017.

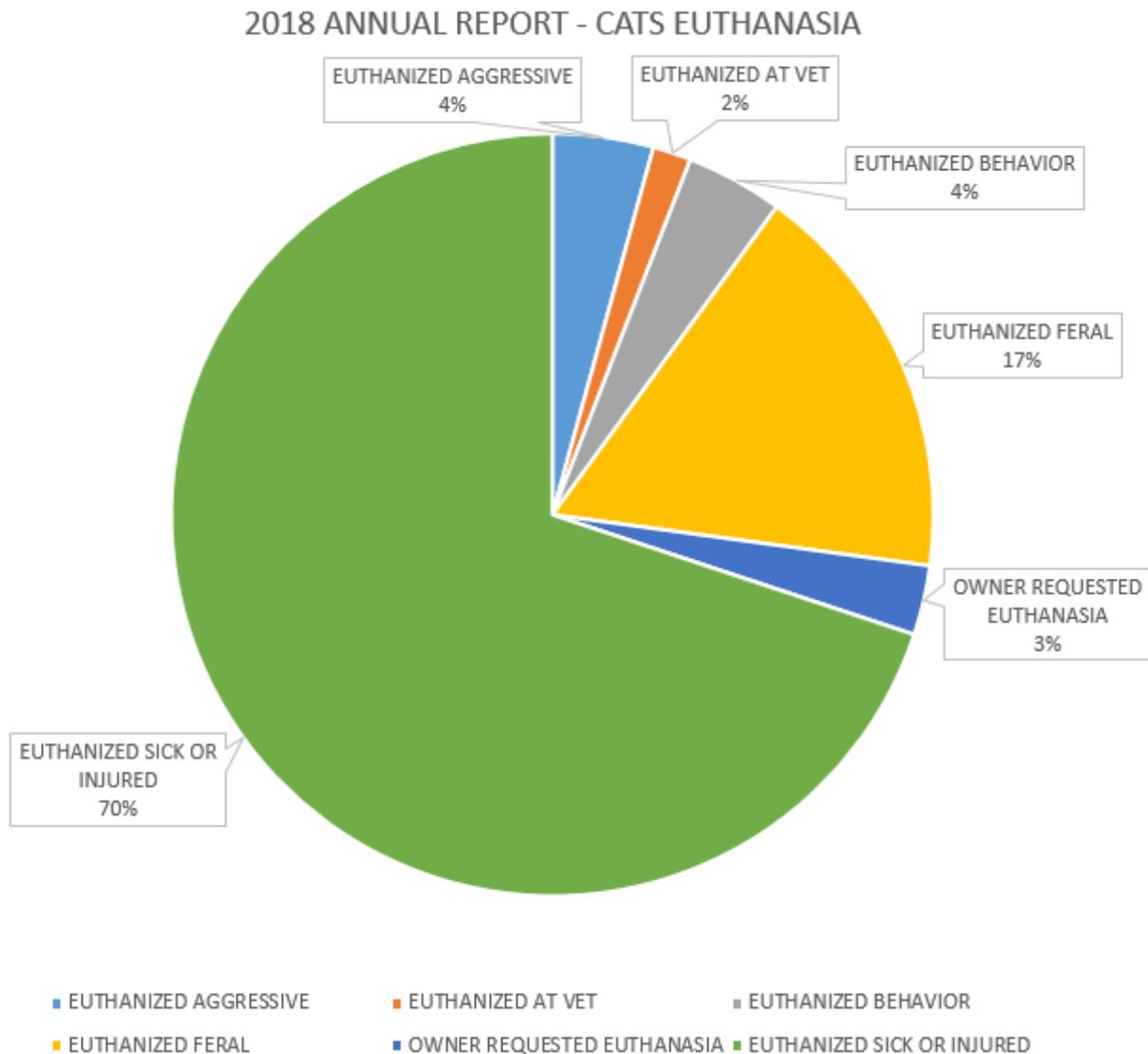
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Cat Outcome	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter
Adoption	93	99	194	121
Return to Owner	9	6	2	10
Euthanasia	75	200	281	105
Rescue	113	172	101	115
Total	290	477	578	401

Cat Euthanasia

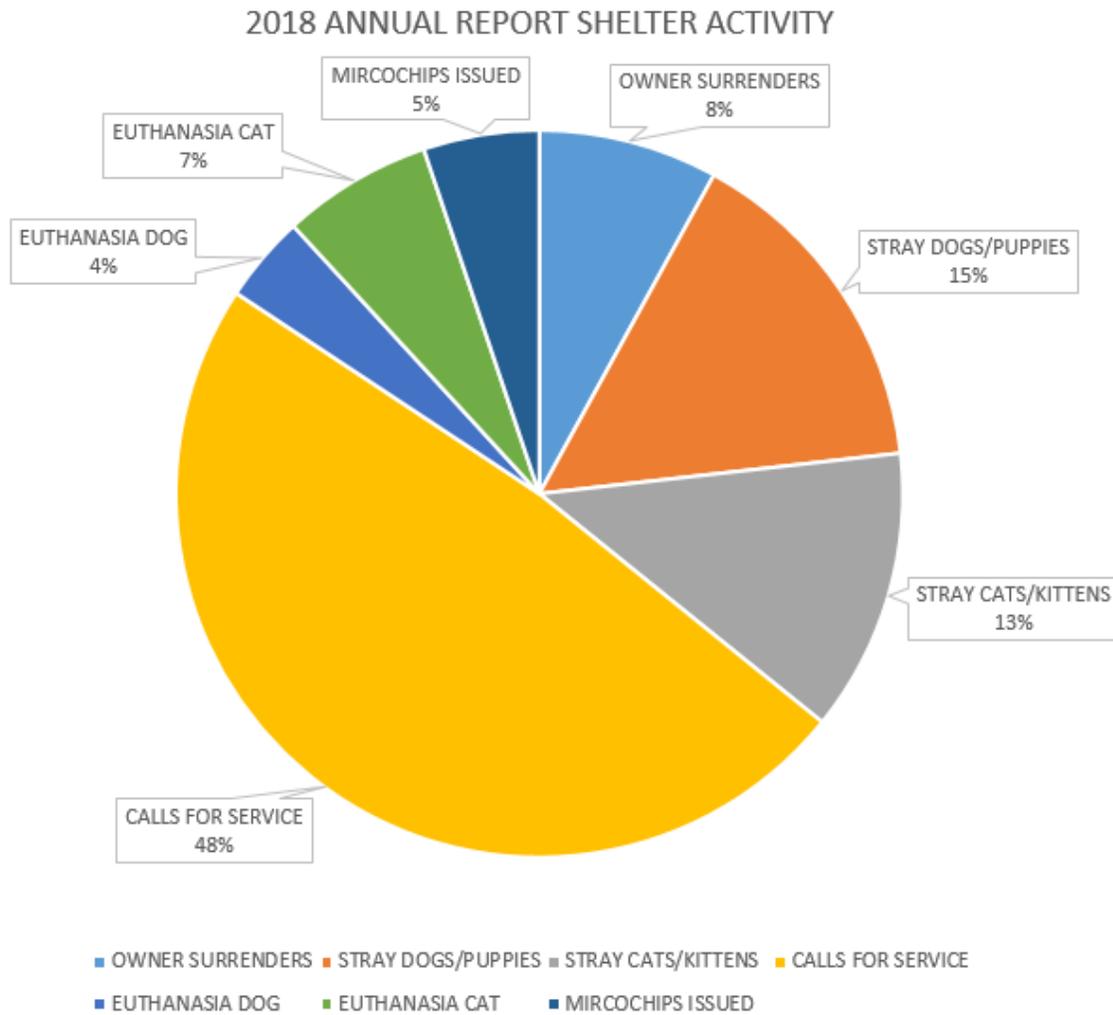
Of the 1,600+ cats that were impounded 70% were euthanized due to being either sick or injured; 17% were euthanized for being feral; and 13% were for other reasons such as owner requested, behavior, aggressive, etc.



Cat Euthanasia Reason	1 st Quarter	2 nd Quarter	3 rd Quarter	4 th Quarter
Behavior/Temperament	16	8	80	11
Medical	31	150	197	84
Euthanasia Request	3	12	4	1
Feral	24	30	0	10
DOA	1	0	0	0
Total	75	200	281	105

Shelter Notes

On September 1st, 2018 we implemented a new controlled intake regulation as well as mandatory microchipping of all animals leaving the shelter. The figures below represent a running total from January 1st, 2018 to present. We will be keeping a running month to month tally to compare our figures to 2017 and moving forward.



	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total 2018
Owner Surrenders	59	67	80	102	101	111	92	94	39	40	46	27	858
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

Pet Registrations

In 2018, Montgomery County implemented a new county ordinance requiring a \$5.00 pet rabies vaccination fee, which is collected by our 19 local veterinary clinics and mobile clinics in Montgomery County. For the month of March rabies vaccination fee's are reduced to \$1.00 as part of the Rabies Awareness Month.

We had over 45,000 rabies tags issued in Montgomery County for 2018, of which 75% of all tags were issued to Dogs and 25% were issued to Cats in Montgomery County.

2018 RABIES TAGS ISSUED

