



Helping Lost and Abandoned Animals

The Chula Vista Animal Care Facility (CVACF) takes in over 5,000 homeless animals each year. Animals housed in our facility receive personalized care and comprehensive medical treatment to keep them safe and healthy.

One of the biggest priorities of the CVACF is reuniting lost pets with their owners. Approximately 18% of animals taken in return home. Last year, over 750 animals were reclaimed or returned to their owners.

Unfortunately, not all pets are able to return home. The CVACF helps rehome a pet when its has to relinquish (give away) a pet or it is not claimed from the shelter. We offer behavior training and education to pet owners to encourage them to allow pets to remain in their homes.

When animals cannot return to their home we work hard to find a new home for them. Almost 64% of the animals we receive are rehomed. Nearly 2,000 animals are adopted each year from the CVACF and over 800 are transferred to other partnering shelters that have the available space and/or special resources.

Our Goal: Getting to Zero

CVACF is proud to be a part of the San Diego Animal Welfare Coalition (SDAWC) that has worked collaboratively to ensure that no healthy or treatable animal is euthanized in San Diego County. It is called "Getting to Zero." We rely on our Coalition partners and rescue organizations to take animals from our shelter when they have available space or resources.

With the help of our Coalition and community partners we have maintained a "0" euthanasia rate of healthy or treatable animals. CVACF has increased the animal live release rate to 82%.



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SDAWC Members:

- City of Chula Vista Animal Care Facility
- City of El Cajon Animal Control Services
- Coronado Animal Care Facility
- County of San Diego, Department of Animal Services
- Friends of Cats
- House Rabbit Society
- Rancho Coastal Humane Society
- San Diego Humane Society
- American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals



Our Location:
130 Beyer Way, Chula Vista, CA 91911



Animal Dispatch: (619) 476-2476
Office: (619) 691-5123
After Hours & Weekends: (619) 691-5151



ANIMAL CARE FACILITY



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In the Community

In addition to caring for animals, we also work with the community through outreach, education, enforcement and humane services. CVACF educates the community about responsible pet ownership to help reduce the number of homeless pets.

Animal control officers ensure the safety of people and animals in the community. They respond to all sorts of calls from a stray alligator, to a hoarder case, to a cat stranded in a tree. They respond 24/7, 365 days a year to animal related emergencies.

On a daily basis, they counsel and advise pet owners on welfare issues that have been brought to our attention. The CVACF dispatch receives over 10,000 calls per year.

Spaying or neutering your pet helps with the serious pet overpopulation problem in our community. As a result of donated contributions, the CVACF is able to offer free spay/neuter clinics for low income residents, and low cost spay/neuter clinics for any pet owner. In 2018, we performed approximately 600 free and low cost surgeries.

The Animal Care Facility offers low cost rabies vaccinations, licensing, and microchip services. A microchip is a safe, permanent implant that will identify you as the pet owner. When a lost animal is brought into any shelter, the animal is scanned for a microchip in hopes of finding the owner who may be looking for their lost pet.

The CVACF offers free workshops and affordable training classes to help educate pet owners and address a variety of behavioral issues. Additionally, we added two pet events to make vaccinations, licensing, and microchips more accessible in the community.

If your pet is suffering from a medical condition or it is unsafe to remain in the household, the staff at CVACF can humanely help.



What It Takes...

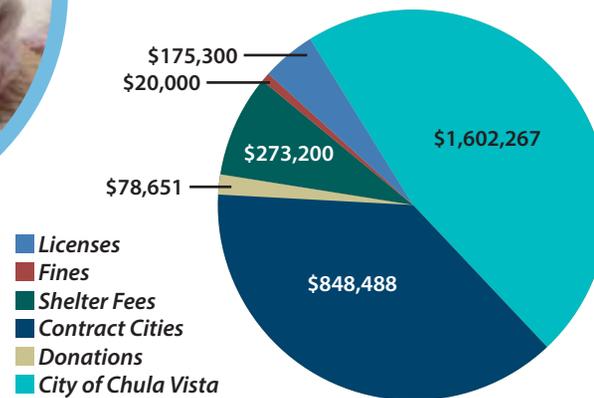


The budget for the CVACF is approximately \$3 million per year. There are 23 permanent employees (approximately 21 full time equivalent employees) and 18 part time employees (approximately 8 full time equivalent employees) who tend to the animals at the facility 7 days a week/365 days per year.

From students gaining community service hours to retirees sharing their time and talents, the CVACF is fortunate to have over 100 volunteers serve the shelter annually. These dedicated volunteers foster newborn kittens, clean cages in offsite adoption centers, and offer dogs valuable play time. Last year, over 6,500 volunteer hours were contributed, not counting the foster program. Because of this additional assistance, we can provide even better care for the animals.

Last year, the CVACF received over \$80,000 in donations and grant funding which helped defray costs at the facility. Each year, we also receive in-kind donations from individuals and businesses. Last year, significant in-kind donations contributed to facility improvements, including kennel gutter installation, parking lot paving, and painting.

Our Budget:



Thank you for helping in the care of lost, abandoned and injured animals!

You can help!



- **Spay/neuter your pet to help prevent pet overpopulation.**
- **Consider adopting a shelter animal before purchasing a pet from a store or breeder.**
- **Call your local Animal Control Department to report animal cruelty or other animal related problems.**
- **Microchip and license your pet to assist in a quick, safe return if your animal becomes lost.**
- **Donate to the Animal Care Facility! All donations are tax-deductible. (Tax ID 95-6000690)**

