

St. Charles Parish

Animal Control Annual Report

2026

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Our Team



TOTAL SHELTER INTAKE



- Dogs 489 (636 in 2024)
- -stray 245
- -seized 71
- -PETCO grant spay/neuter (28)
- Pit Stop Grant spay/neuter (45)
- -owner surrender 71

- Cats 1001 (1165 in 2024):
- -stray 467
- -trap/neuter/return (408)
- -seized 3
- -owner surrender 109

HOW THEY FIND HOMES

- **Reclaimed by OWNER**
- Cats 15 (2024 - 33)
- Dogs 92 (2024-135)
- **Adopted LOCALLY** (In house or PETCO)
- **Cats 192** (2024-260) {70% through 5 PETCO Partners}
- Dogs 70 (2024- 71)
- **Adopted NATIONALLY** (\$544.40 in donations to use towards spay/neuter)
- Cats 0 (2024- 22)
- Dogs 65 (2024- 138)



**GOOD
FLIGHTS**



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Flight PARTNERSHIP

GOOD FLIGHTS

2025

We placed and transported 65 Dogs (2 HW +) by participating in 29 jet flights. This is a \$870k value at NO cost to us!

- This creates space, saves daily care cost, saved \$3,000 in heartworm treatment.
- Donated \$144.40 towards early HW tx for in house dogs.
- Donated \$63,142 in pharmaceuticals: vaccines & HW/Flea/Tick prevention.
- \$550 give back \$\$ to put back into our spay/neuter program based on animals flown from our shelter.



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Length of Stay 2025

- **Dogs** 13.6 days (2024: 13.1days)
- **Cats** 9.8 days (2024: 10.8 days)
- Average cost of care \$25/day



Stray Hold Standard of Care..

How much goes into a stray hold pet?:

Vaccines (required on intake for herd health): **\$50**

Dewormer/Deflea (prevents disease transmission to humans and pets): **\$20**

Exam: **\$40**

ACO Pickup (office hours vs emergency dispatch/ paying OT can cost up to): **\$135/call**

Feeding/Housing per day (\$25x7 days [5 business day legal stray hold]): **\$175**

TOTAL: \$420 per stray to accomplish legal stray hold.

Redemption fees paid in 2025: \$18,140 (Some elected lower cost to have their pet leave spayed/neutered)

51% of reclaimed intakes came in fixed, 29% chose to have their pet leave fixed, 20% left intact

49.5% of animals that were claimed entered our care unvaccinated prior based on redemptions requiring an updated Rabies vaccination.



Adoption & Care

How much care goes into adopted pets?

Vaccines, Parasite Checks, HW or Leukemia/FIV test: \$220

Microchip: \$20

Proheart6 for 6 months of HW Prevention: \$100

Deworm/deflea: \$20

Spay/neuter: \$330

Vaccine Boosters: \$50

TOTAL: **\$750 of medical care put into each animal adopted.**

{266 adoptions x \$750/pet= \$199,500 in medical care}

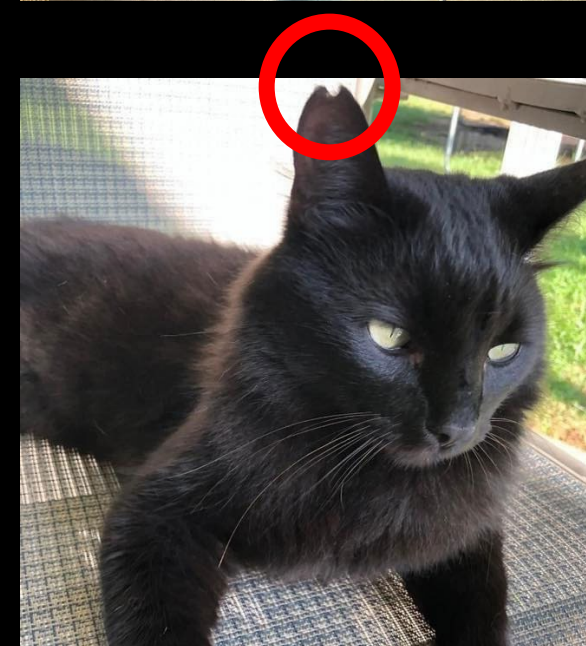
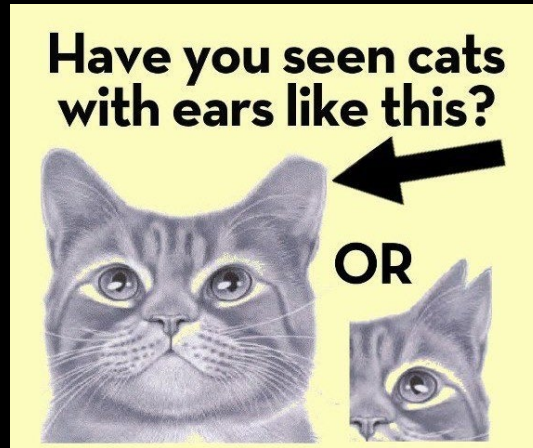
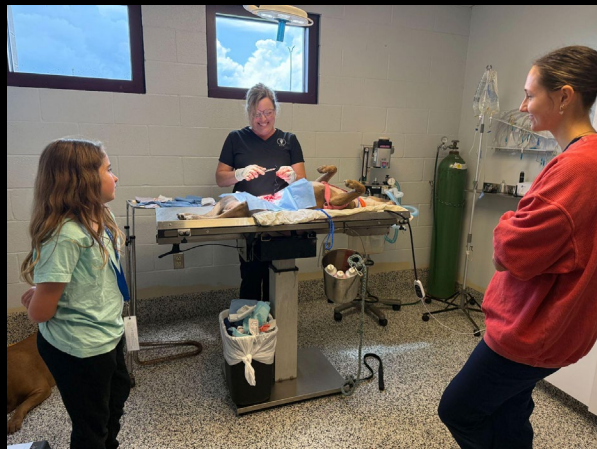
Adoption fees paid by new owners 2025: \$21,280



SURGERIES 2025

- Free surgery, microchip, rabies, ear notch for cats kept on residential property without complaints : 430 (2024-421)
- In house surgeries : 824 (2024 946) \$272,000 value
- Exams 2,315 (\$93,000 value)
- K9 heartworm treatments : 11 (2024-17) \$13,000 value

Animal Control budgets for \$40,000 for medical care. The shelter saves \$378,000 in just basic medical care of animals by providing an in-house Veterinarian/Supervisor and well trained staff.



VOLUNTEER HOURS

- Orientation Monday-Friday 10-3pm
- Over 1200 hours devoted equivalent to \$17K Value



CASES 2025

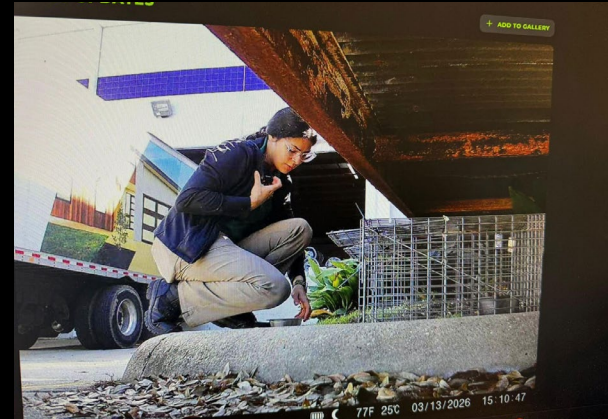
(ordinance violations, nuisance, animal well being, etc.)

Over 4,000 calls for services

525 (2024-651) Investigations

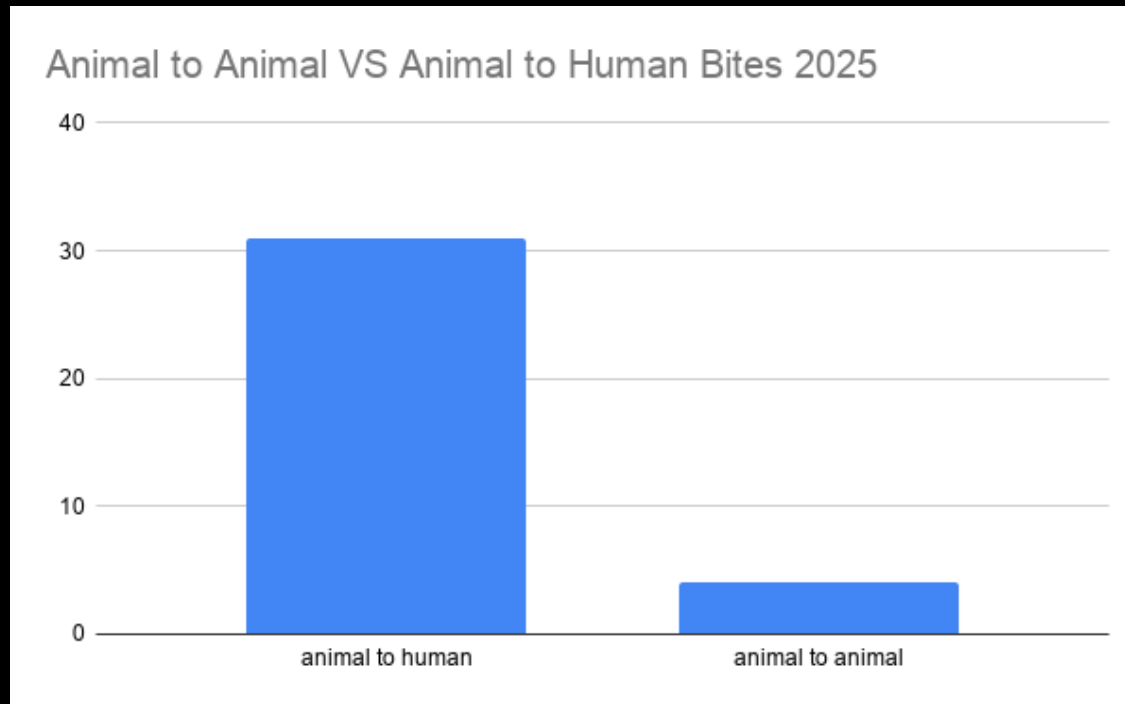


- Top 3 Call for Service
 - Animals Running at-large: 196
 - Outdoor Cats: 115
 - Wellness Checks: 66

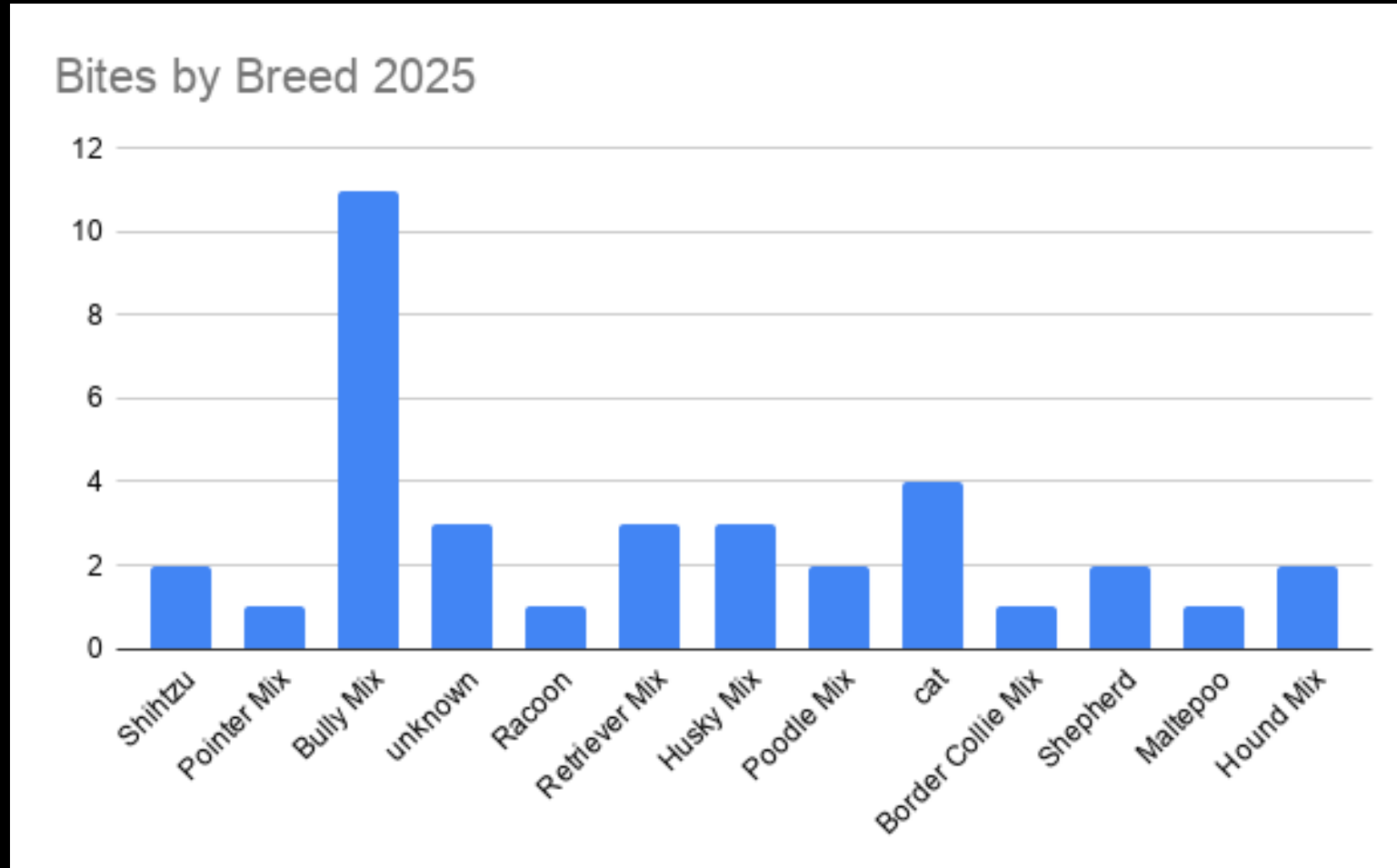


BITE CASES 2025

34 Cases (36 in 2024)



Bites by breeds 2025



Dangerous Spectrum*

NON BREED SPECIFIC - BEHAVIOR BASED



- 2025 we had 50 dogs declared on the dangerous dog spectrum.
 - 24 Potentially Dangerous [7 cancelled: 1 reoffended, 2 rehomed out of parish, 4 chose not to claim/surrender]
 - 24 Dangerous [14 cancelled: 4 rehomed out of parish, 10 chose to not claim/surrender]
 - 2 Vicious [1 cancelled: moved back to dangerous]
- **ACTIVE** Declared dogs in St. Charles Parish:
 - Potentially Dangerous- 116
 - Dangerous- 24

Since the ordinance has been enacted: 39 dogs reoffended. These 39 dogs were out of 28 households (13%). Human errors of inappropriate use of leash, fence or fencing system and keeping dogs out of stressful situations is the cause.

TOP BREEDS DECLARED 2025: 1) Bully Breeds 2) Shepherds & Labs (tied)

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

- ASPCA \$25,000 purchase disaster response supplies (flight crates/shed, water bladders, food, microchips, dry suits, shelter shirts)
- Turning Rescues Into Pets (TRIP): paid thousands in orthopedic surgeries and spay/neuter grants for community in need. They also donated specialty supplies, such as our microchip scanning station.
- PETCO partnerships pay for condos and food and facilitate adoption process offsite 7 days a week at 5 locations. They also gave back 1500 to put into our spay/neuter funding. Follow our adoption fee per ordinance.
- PETCO grant \$10,000 for life-savings grant: 24 dog spay/neuters provided, cat spay/neuter return to owner
- Wings of Rescue PITS STOP Grant: 44 spay/neuters provided.
- Good Flights: donates \$30k flights multiple times a month at no cost. Partner shelters gave back \$550 to put into our spay/neuter fund.



PIT STOP

FREE Spay & Neuter for Bully Breeds!

Got a Pit Bull, American Bully, or other bully-type dog?
Get them fixed for FREE during our special Pit Stop event!
 Call 985-783-5010

Where: St Charles Parish Animal Shelter
 Limited spots — registration required!

A close-up photo of a brown and white Pit Bull dog with its mouth open, smiling.


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Network & Response

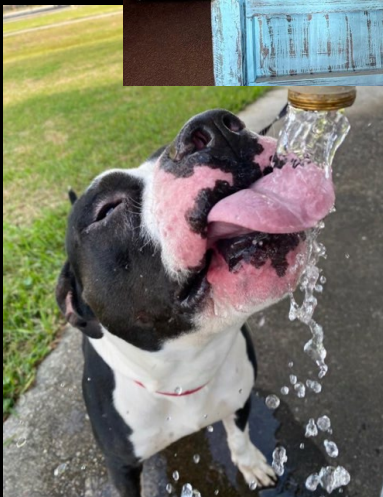
- Multi Parish effort: Worked with our coastal parish shelters in transport year round and prior to disaster.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Santa Paws with people and pets (1st week of December)
- Rescue Run Club Thursday 6 am
- Rabies Drive
- Daily volunteer orientation
- Birthday Pawties
- Condo sponsorship
- Open 1 Saturday per month
- School presentations
- Check the Chip Day
- Nursing Home Visits; Council on aging
- Reading club author day





Questions

