

Seminole County Animal Services

Board of County Commissioners
September 23, 2025

A woman with her hair in a bun, wearing a black t-shirt with 'ANIMAL SERVICES' printed on the back, is holding a white and brown dog. She is standing in a kennel area with a chain-link fence and a building in the background. The dog has its mouth open and tongue out. A blue leash is attached to the dog's collar.

The State of Animal Services

Alan Harris, Director

Chris Stronko, Animal Services Manager

Bree Burkett, Shelter Manager

Lauren Watts, Field Services Supervisor

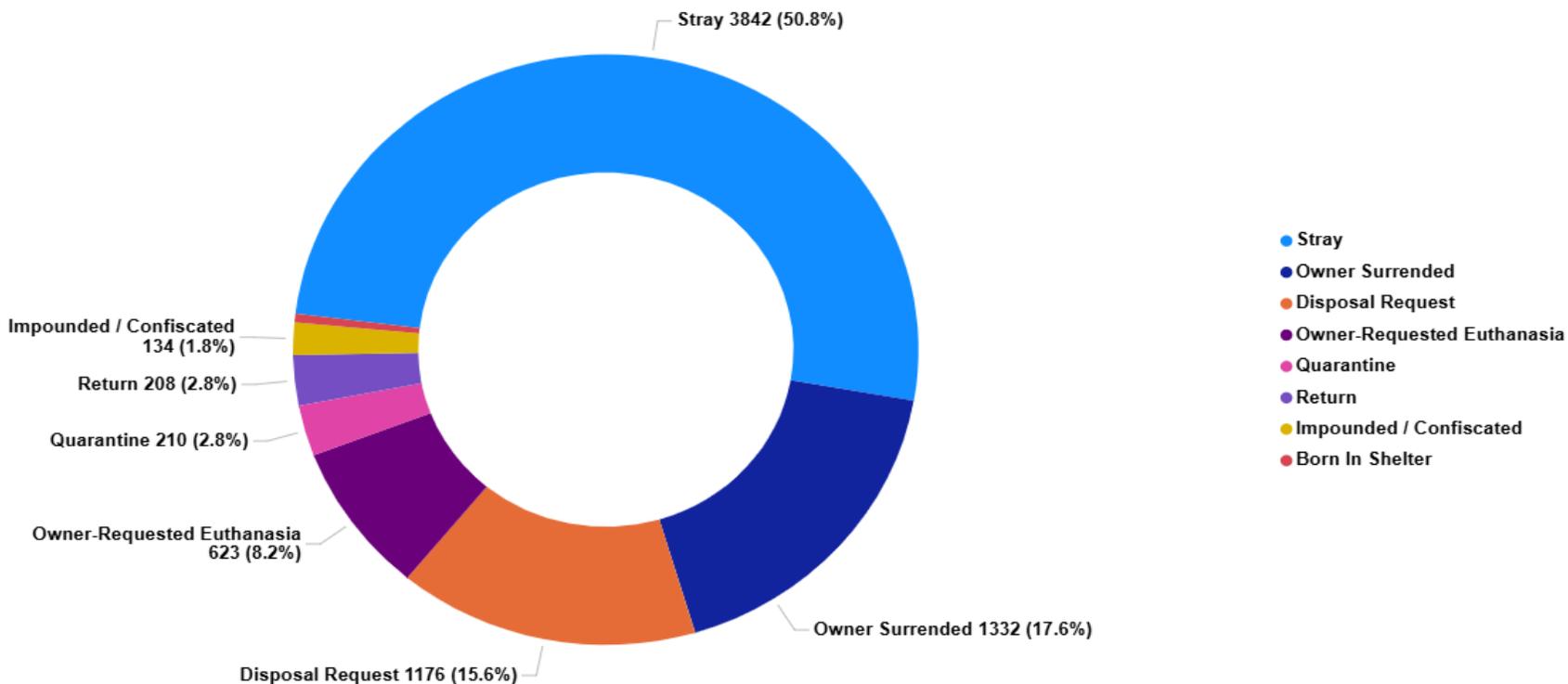
Agenda

- Dashboard / Capacity
- Shelter Operations
- Veterinary Services
- Special Programs
- Adoption Activities
- Volunteers
- Donations
- Animal Control
- Field Services
- Future Opportunities



ANIMAL SERVICES

Total Intake Types - Last 12 Months



Total Intake
7560
Last 12 Months

Average Shelter Occupancy
As of 9/16/2025
128.9%

Total Surgeries
2,448
Last 12 Months

Cat Live Release Rate
85.5%
Last Month

Total Donations
\$103,946
Last 12 Months

Dog Live Release Rate
90.3%
Last Month

Volunteer Hours
41,266
Last 12 Months

Average Length of Stay
18 Days
Last 12 Months

Foster
975
Last 12 Months

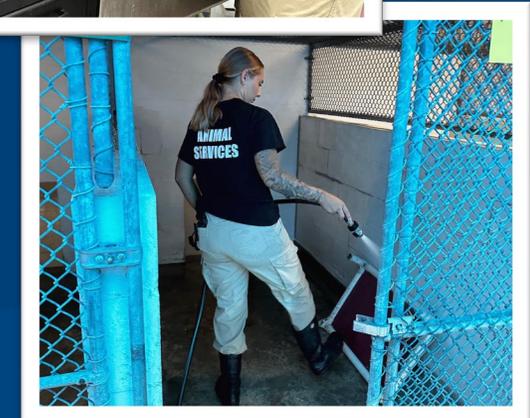
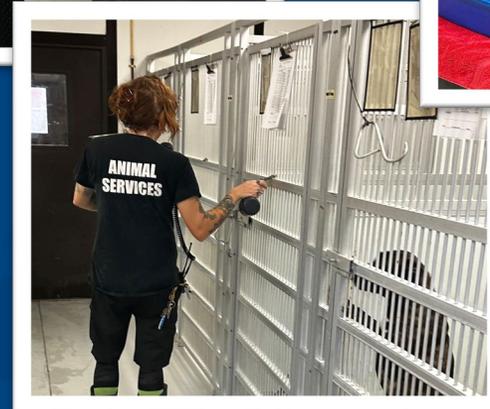
Total Calls
15,631
Last 12 Months

Partnerships



Shelter Operations

- Animals are provided with food and water at least twice a day, 365/year
- The Kennels, crates, and the free-roaming cat room are cleaned daily
- Special boarding is available for pets during hospital stays or respite care
- Dog enrichment provided through the 'Dogs Playing for Life' program



Special Events

- Monthly Vaccine Clinics
- Paws and Claus (December)
- Public Safety Event (February)
- Farmer's Markets and Arts Festivals
- Paws in the Park
- "Check the Chip"
- On average, 14 special events a month



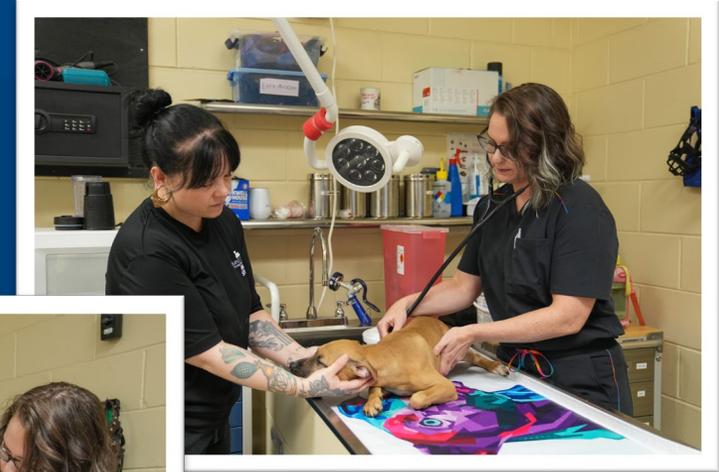
TOUCH-A-TRUCK

Paws & Claus



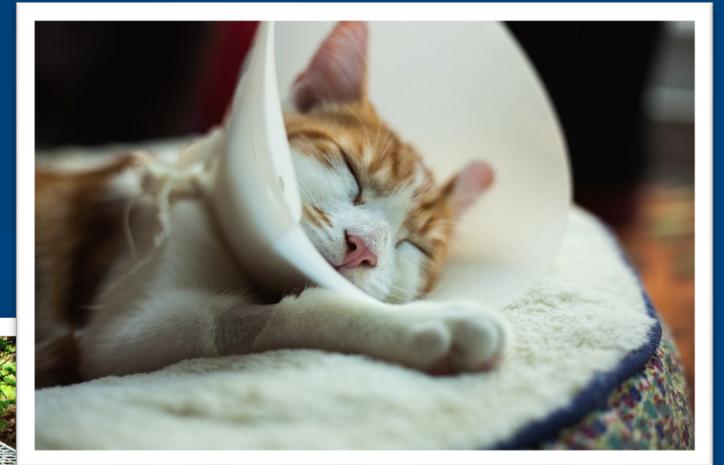
Veterinary Operations

- Spay/Neuter
- Treatment of injured and sick animals
- Rabies and other vaccines
- End-of-life services
- Animal cruelty investigations



TNVR – Trap, Neuter, Vaccinate, Return

- Controlling the community cat population
- Trapped by a resident/community cat caregiver
- Adoption candidacy assessment
- Rabies / Vaccines
- Sterilization
- Barn/Warehouse cat program



Adoptions

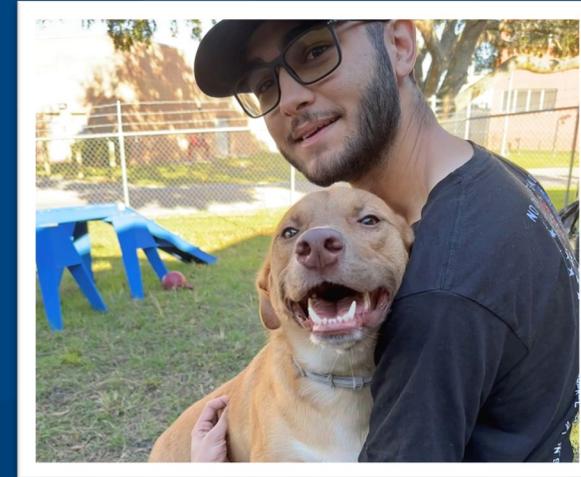
Our Goal: To ensure every animal in our care finds a safe and loving forever home

No-Kill Commitment: Since 2016, Seminole County Animal Services has been a no-kill shelter, never euthanizing pets due to **space, breed, capacity, or length of stay.**

Adoption Pathways: Animals available for adoption may arrive as:

- Strays
- Owner Surrenders
- Protective Custody Cases

Outcomes Planning: We create individualized outcome plans for every animal to ensure the best possible match and long-term success



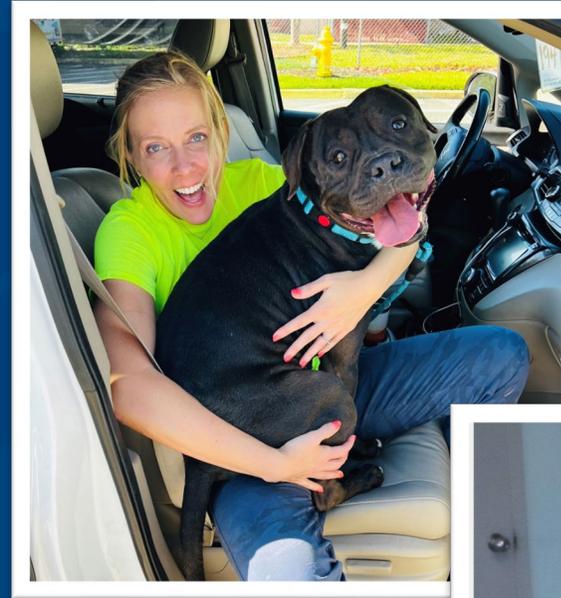
Special Programs

- Seniors for Seniors
- Pets for Patriots
- Pet Pals
- Service Animal – Requests/Partnerships
- Partnerships and Transfers (TEARS, Pet Alliance of Greater Orlando, etc.)



Volunteer Management

- Paw Partners
- Hounds around Town
- Office Partners
- Project Partners
- Foster Homes
- Bright Future Fosters (BFF) 100



Donations

- Donations of gently used/new items
- Boutique
- Monetary donations



Projects Funded with Donations

- Catio / Free Roaming Cat Area
- Livestock Barn
- Dog Enrichment Equipment



- Adoption Trailer
- Dog Play Yard Shelters
- Meet and Greet Yard
- Specialized Surgeries
- X-ray Machine



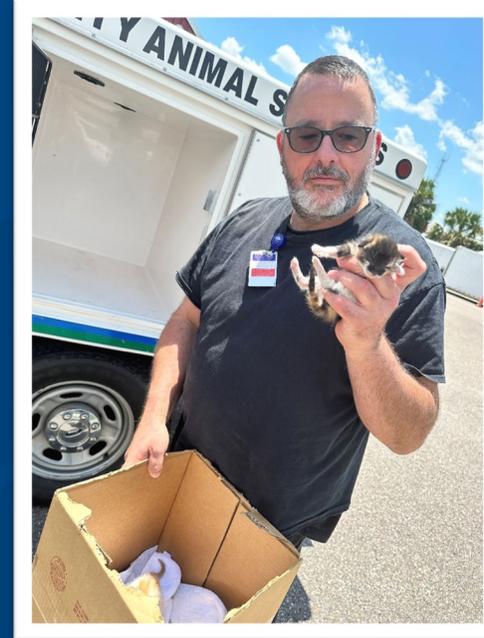
Field Services

- Anti-Hoarding Ordinance
- Puppy Mill Ordinance
- 'Reese Law' Aggressive Dog Ordinance
- Standards of Care (Kennel Inspections)
- Leash Law
- Noise Complaints
- Animal Cruelty Investigation
- Bite Investigation



Field Services

- Stray Animals
- Livestock/Exotics – Lost
- Injured Domestic Animals / Wildlife
- Protective Custody / Welfare
- 24-7 Schedule averaging 1,400 calls monthly
- 8 Animal Control Officers



Future Opportunities

- Injured Animals on Roadway/Private Property
- Protected Animals (Bear, Eagle, etc)
- Deceased domestic animals/notifications
- Deceased livestock, equine
- Deceased medium to large animals - includes but is not limited to deer, panthers, bobcats, coyotes, or boar.
- Change: Deceased small animals (under 30 pounds)

Future Opportunities

- The shelter operates at an overcapacity of 130% on average
- Renovation of Surgical Suite
- New Kennel Gates
- New Doors/Frames
- Repair Canine Behavioral Areas
- Fence renovations/repairs
- HVAC / Heaters
- Fan/Air movement system
- Renovated Roof Structure
- Paint – entire campus
- Adoption/Administration Building