

City of San Diego

Quarterly Animal Services Report



2ND QUARTER • October 1 – December 31, 2025

Total Animals Helped 9,229

STRAY ANIMALS 2,428

Dog: 1,365 Cat: 947 Other: 116

OWNER SURRENDERED ANIMALS 755

Dog: 383 Cat: 296 Other: 76

TRANSFERRED IN ANIMALS 3

Dog: 2 Cat: 1 Other: 0

HUMANE LAW ENFORCEMENT* 252

Dog: 200 Cat: 41 Other: 11

*Includes seizures, emergency boarding and abandoned animals



SAN DIEGO CAMPUS
5500 Gaines St.
San Diego, CA 92110
619-299-7012

EL CAJON CAMPUS
1373 N. Marshall Ave.
El Cajon, CA 92020
619-299-7012

ESCONDIDO CAMPUS
3500 Burnet Drive
Escondido, CA 92027
619-299-7012

OCEANSIDE CAMPUS
2905 San Luis Rey Road
572 Airport Road
Oceanside, CA 92058
619-299-7012

Disposition of San Diego Animals

ADOPTED: 2,634

Dog: 1,092 Cat: 1,400 Other: 142

TRANSFERRED OUT: 280

Dog: 161 Cat: 93 Other: 26

AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY: 21.4 days

Dog: 18.0 Cat: 23.2 Other: 40.6

LIVE RELEASE RATE: 92.7%*

*Organization wide

RECLAIMED: 711

Dog: 619 Cat: 81 Other: 11

EUTHANIZED: 270

Dog: 135 Cat: 117 Other: 18

*Includes euthanasia by offsite vets

OTHER OUTCOMES: 28

Dog: 7 Cat: 18 Other: 3

*Unassisted death, other

COMMUNITY CATS RETURNED: 777



Licensing

TOTAL LICENSE: 8,891

Average processing time: 3.8 days

NEW LICENSE: 3,495

RENEWED LICENSE: 5,396

RABIES EXEMPTION: 21

SERVICE DOG LICENSE: 5

RECENT ADOPTION: 874

REPLACEMENT TAG: 724

Medical and Community Services

MEDICAL SERVICES

SHELTER SPAY/NEUTER: 2,058

COMMUNITY SPAY/NEUTER: 1,394

VACCINATIONS AND MICROCHIPS

COMMUNITY VACCINATED/MICROCHIPPED ANIMALS: 4,048

MICROCHIPS: 571

TOTAL VACCINATIONS: 6,012

RABIES: 2,266

RABIES/FVRCP: 261

DISTEMPER/FVRCP: 2,614

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS

NUMBER OF PROGRAMS: 122

NUMBER OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS IMPACTED: 8,019

MEALS FOR PET FAMILIES IN NEED: 231,440

MEALS FOR RESCUE PARTNERS: 30,295

Field Services/Dispatch Statistics

ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Priority 1: 909

Average Response Time: 17 minutes

Priority 2: 648

Average Response Time: 3 hours

Priority 3: 101

Average Response Time: 69 hours

Priority 4: 840

Average Response Time: 222 hours

Priority 5: 1,486

Average Response Time: 31 hours

Total Calls: 3,984

CRIMINAL CASES

REFERRED TO DISTRICT ATTORNEY (FELONY): 2

REFERRED TO CITY ATTORNEY (MISDEMEANOR): 2

OTHER

DANGEROUS DOG HEARINGS: 1

Declared Dangerous: 3 Unfounded: 0

KENNEL INSPECTIONS: 7

New Kennel Inspections: 3 Renewed Kennel Inspections: 4

PARK PATROLS: 140

NOTICE OF COMPLAINTS: 278

BITE REPORTS: 294

CITATIONS: 29



Customer Service

CUSTOMER SERVICE SATISFACTION RATING: 98.5%* TOTAL: 550

Outstanding / Very Likely To Recommend: 497

Above Expectations / Likely To Recommend: 40

Met Expectations / May Recommend: 5

Below Expectations / Unlikely To Recommend: 6

Did Not Meet Expectations / Very Unlikely To Recommend: 2

*Percent of respondents satisfied that SDHS met or exceeded expectations, or that may recommend SDHS to others (organization wide)

Facilities

SAN DIEGO BUILDING MAINTENANCE

New Maintenance Requests: 98 Maintenance Requests Completed: 102

Maintenance Requests Pending, Denied or In Progress: 0

Project Wildlife

WILDLIFE INTAKE: 685

