



AUSTIN TEAM

Austin Partners: Animal Trustees of Austin (ATA)
Austin Humane Society (AHS)
Emancipet
Town Lake Animal Center (TLAC)



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MORE ANIMALS SAVED in 2008

4,419 Fewer animals killed in
Austin shelters

3,275 Fewer animals entering
Austin shelters

1,154 Animals transferred from
Town Lake Animal Center
to Austin Humane Society

25,328 Low-cost and free
spay/neuters

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ASPCA® MISSION: ORANGE™ IS DEDICATED TO SAVING ANIMAL LIVES. AM:O FOCUSES ON TWO STRATEGIES: REDUCING THE NUMBER OF ANIMALS ENTERING THE COMMUNITY SHELTERS AND INCREASING THE NUMBER OF ANIMALS THAT LEAVE THE SHELTERS ALIVE.

Increasing Positive Outcomes:

Return to Owner

- Town Lake Animal Center (TLAC) conducts awareness and outreach activities to assist pet owners in finding lost pets via its website, brochures, tag campaigns and Spanish language media coverage. TLAC also dedicates \$50,000 each year to fund free microchips for dogs and cats in high-intake, low-income neighborhoods. Free microchips are also provided through Emancipet and Animal Trustees of Austin (ATA). Approximately 10,000 dogs and cats leave TLAC with a microchip implanted each year.

Adoption

- Austin Humane Society (AHS) and TLAC make cats and dogs available for adoption seven days a week. AHS implemented the ASPCA's Meet Your Match® program. AHS and TLAC once again hosted a three-month special promotion and reduction of adoption fees for cats and kittens, resulting in more feline adoptions.
- Dogs and cats from TLAC and AHS are regularly made available for adoption at off-site locations throughout Austin.

Foster Placement

- AHS and TLAC provide foster homes for underage and sick/injured animals through a network of more than 170 foster families. In May 2008, AHS hired a full-time foster care coordinator to oversee a new Community Foster Care Program, which is a joint effort of the ASPCA, TLAC, Emancipet and AHS.

Transfer Out to Placement Partners

- TLAC released 3,681 animals (dogs, cats and other species) to approximately 85 approved and active rescue groups in 2008, including 1,154 to Austin Humane Society, who in turn adopt them into new homes.

Reducing Intake:

Spay/Neuter

- ATA provides more than 6,000 low-cost and 600 free spay/neuter surgeries each year.
- Emancipet provides approximately 12,500 low-cost and 4,200 free surgeries each year, which are funded in part through the City of Austin and Travis County's Free Day program – funding 120 “free days” annually to Austin residents. These free day services target neighborhoods with high intake numbers of unwanted pets and are responsible for about 3,600 of Emancipet's 4,200 free sterilizations per year.
- In addition to funding the “Free Days”, TLAC waives all reclaim fees and citations for animal ordinance violations if the pet owner agrees to sterilize the pet. In 2008, 80% of the animals returned to their owner were sterilized.

Trap-Neuter-Return

- AHS' feral cat coordinator works with more than 200 feral cat trappers in Austin and surrounding communities, and its high-volume Feral Cat Spay/Neuter Clinic provided over 5,000 free spay/neuters in 2008 and is on track to provide 5,000 more in 2009.
- TLAC provides medical support vouchers for up to 600 sick or injured feral cats each year.
- Emancipet's low-cost spay/neuter service is available for feral cats six days per week, which ensures that any time a feral cat is trapped, it can be altered at one of the partner agencies within 24 hours.

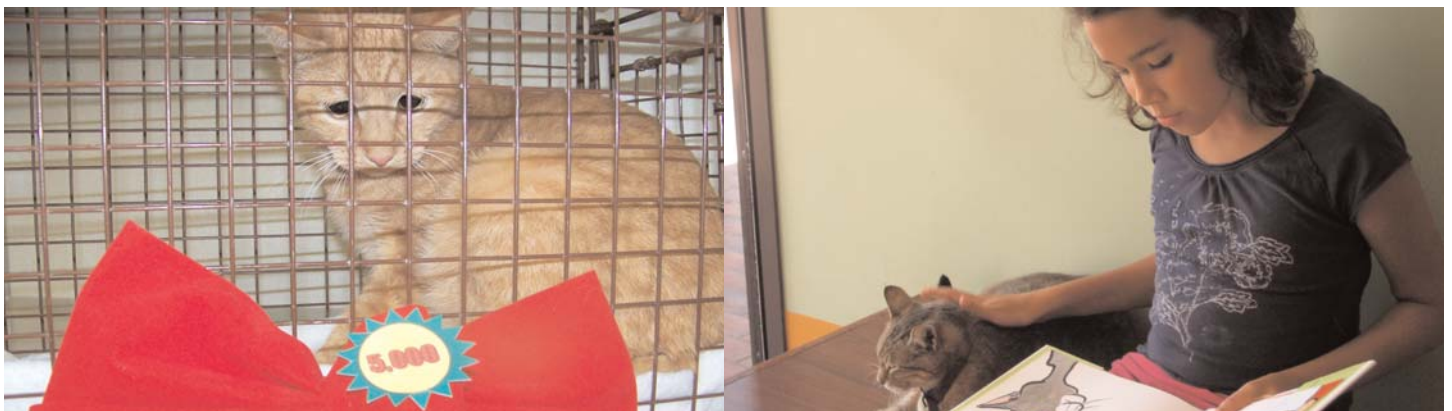
Safety Net Programs

- There are nearly 800 volunteers serving all four ASPCA Mission: Orange Austin partner agencies. These volunteers assist with all functions of animal care and customer service for a total of more than 57,000 hours of donated time, or the equivalent of 27 full-time employees.
- In 2008, ATA provided wellness services to 19,753 animals, low-cost heartworm treatment for 510 animals, dentals for 557 animals, 596 special surgeries, and provided \$88,768 in emergency care assistance for animals suffering from life threatening illnesses or injuries. Animal Trustees' 4PAWS (For People and Animals Without Shelter) provides all of the above services free to the 100-plus animals of the homeless and indigent citizens of Central Texas.
- Emancipet offers basic preventive and affordable care – including vaccinations, flea and tick control products, and heartworm preventative products – to approximately 8,500 animals per year.
- AHS' BRATT (Behavior Re-homing Assessment Training Team) program provides behavioral rehabilitation for approximately 300 dogs each year to increase adoptability and retention in the home.
- A partnership between TLAC and ATA provides orthopedic and other trauma care to shelter animals so they can be adopted or returned to their owner. TLAC also utilizes donated funds through this partnership to assist families with animals in need of trauma care, so the family will not be forced to surrender the pet.
- A newly formed Pit Bull Task Force is dedicated to reducing intake of pit bull type breeds, increasing public safety and improving the treatment and image of these dogs in the community.
- In 2007, the ASPCA and TLAC launched a new training program called "Identifying Animal Cruelty," which provides training to public service workers.
- The Hoarding Task Force – comprised of law enforcement and animal control personnel, prosecutors, code enforcement workers, health inspectors, adult and child protective services workers, mental health and victim services workers, and others – was established to review individual cases and develop prevention strategies. During the case review process, these representatives plan intervention strategies to help stop, or identify sooner, the cycle of hoarding, so fewer animals are impacted.
- The Cruelty Free Austin Initiative enhanced the Austin Police Department's response to animal cruelty complaints, which resulted in the establishment of a cruelty investigation unit consisting of two police detectives and a civilian technician.
- In 2009, the ASPCA's Humane Education curriculum will be implemented in the Austin Independent School District's (AISD) after-school and science programs. The after-school program at the 21st Century Learning Center will consist of one hour per week of humane education topics for a total of 15 weeks. In addition, science teachers in AISD will be trained to implement the ASPCA's Humane Education curriculum in their classrooms.
- In 2008, new Habitat for Humanity homeowners attended ASPCA Pet Parenting workshops, facilitated by ASPCA and TLAC staff.
- AHS reaches about 400 school children each year with educational programs that include school visits and shelter tours for elementary to high school students. In June 2008, AHS launched a "Reading to Cats" program, giving children the chance to provide stimulation and socialization to cats and kittens, while at the same time learning about animal issues and honing their own reading skills.
- On a regular basis, TLAC provides pet ownership classes, free rabies vaccinations and pet registration clinics (for 2,500 families annually), animal cruelty classes, PALS Senior Pet Days, and dog safety and bite prevention instruction at kids' camps.

TARGET COMMUNITY INDICATORS AND SUMMARY DATA

	January 07 – December 07	January 08 – December 08	Increase/ Decrease
<p>TOTAL INTAKE</p> <p>The total number of animals entering partner facilities, except transfers between partners.</p>	25,641	22,366	(3,275) (12.8%)
<p>LIVE RELEASE RATE</p> <p>The rate expresses as a percentage the number of animals returned to owner, adopted, or transferred outside the partner organizations divided by the total number of animals received (total intake).</p>	46.9%	58.4%	+11.5%
<p>TOTAL LIVE RELEASE</p> <p>The total number of animals returned to owner, adopted, or transferred outside the partner organizations.</p>	12,033	13,071	+1,038
<p>TOTAL ADOPTIONS</p> <p>This number includes final adoptions and transfers outside of partnership; it does not include animals placed in foster care.</p>	6,816	7,421	+605 +9%
<p>TOTAL TARGETED SPAY/NEUTER</p> <p>The total number of animals altered through low-cost spay/neuter services or a TNR program.*</p>	23,863	25,328	+1,465 +6.1%

*The Austin Partners also provide no-cost spay/neuter surgeries to their Community. In an effort to move animals to the adoption floor quickly, Emancipet sometimes provides surgeries to shelter animals and Austin's reported targeted spay/neuter totals do include those animals.



Austin, TX Indicators & Summary Data: Year to Date-2008

Indicators - Year to Date (YTD)	YTD Total	Rate/000 People	YTD Dogs	YTD Puppies	YTD Cats	YTD Kittens
Live Release Rate (Percent of Intake)	58.4%		61.5%	75.0%	43.8%	53.6%
Total Live Release	13,071	13.41	6,007	2,497	1,804	2,763
Total Intake	22,366	22.95	9,760	3,331	4,117	5,158
Euthanasia	8,873	9.11	3,591	789	2,317	2,176
Targeted Spay/Neuter	25,328	56.70	8,667	1,835	12,737	2,089
Financial Support (reported annually)	n/a	n/a				

Intake, Adoption, Transfer, Euthanize, Died/Lost	Dogs				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Number entering partner facilities except transfers between partners	2,455	2,393	2,477	2,435	9,760
Number entering partner facilities through partner transfers	111	59	71	89	330
Number returned to partner facilities within 30 days of adoption	36	36	35	43	150
Number returned to owner	747	636	589	692	2,664
Number adopted	484	456	494	622	2,056
Number transferred to partners	111	59	71	89	330
Number transferred out of the partnership	315	277	366	329	1,287
Number euthanized per owner request	0	0	0	0	0
Number euthanized other than owner request	841	990	977	783	3,591
Number died in care	1	2	2	3	8
Number lost in care	0	1	2	2	5

Intake, Adoption, Transfer, Euthanize, Died/Lost	Puppies				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Number entering partner facilities except transfers between partners	881	897	936	617	3331
Number entering partner facilities through partner transfers	79	92	58	47	276
Number returned to partner facilities within 30 days of adoption	10	4	8	4	26
Number returned to owner	43	42	50	40	175
Number adopted	430	409	417	344	1600
Number transferred to partners	79	92	58	47	276
Number transferred out of the partnership	105	100	323	194	722
Number euthanized per owner request	0	0	0	0	0
Number euthanized other than owner request	280	255	179	75	789
Number died in care	3	1	3	0	7
Number lost in care	0	0	2	1	3

Intake, Adoption, Transfer, Euthanize, Died/Lost	Cats				Total
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Number entering partner facilities except transfers between partners	1,060	1,135	1,006	916	4117
Number entering partner facilities through partner transfers	47	57	26	60	190
Number returned to partner facilities within 30 days of adoption	12	5	16	18	51
Number returned to owner	63	58	53	53	227
Number adopted	369	305	304	305	1283
Number transferred to partners	47	57	26	60	190
Number transferred out of the partnership	65	91	67	71	294
Number euthanized per owner request	0	0	0	0	0
Number euthanized other than owner request	562	704	597	454	2317
Number died in care	1	0	3	2	6
Number lost in care	0	1	1	0	2

Intake, Adoption, Transfer, Euthanize, Died/Lost	Kittens				Total
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Number entering partner facilities except transfers between partners	567	1,990	1,794	807	5158
Number entering partner facilities through partner transfers	48	83	117	110	358
Number returned to partner facilities within 30 days of adoption	3	10	23	7	43
Number returned to owner	4	6	29	18	57
Number adopted	366	562	950	604	2482
Number transferred to partners	48	83	117	110	358
Number transferred out of the partnership	23	96	38	67	224
Number euthanized per owner request	0	0	0	0	0
Number euthanized other than owner request	193	999	751	233	2176
Number died in care	4	4	12	21	41
Number lost in care	0	0	0	1	1

Targeted Spay/ Neuter and TNR	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
How many no/low cost S/N conducted on dogs?	2,084	2,310	2,314	1,959	8,667
How many no/low cost S/N conducted on puppies?	386	589	491	369	1,835
How many no/low cost S/N conducted on cats (other than TNR)?	2,102	1,514	1,685	1,826	7,127
How many no/low cost S/N conducted on kittens (other than TNR)?	370	271	863	585	2,089
Number of cats TNR?	1,286	1,261	1,560	1,503	5,610
Number of kittens TNR?	0	0	0	0	0
Total Spay/Neuter and TNR	6,228	5,945	6,913	6,242	25,328

ASPCA Dashboard Definitions of Indicators and Data Collected

Live Release Rate This rate expresses as a percentage the number of animals returned to owner, adopted, or transferred outside the partner organizations divided by the total number of animals received (total intake). Transfers between partners are excluded from this calculation.

Total Live Release The total number of animals returned to owner, adopted, or transferred outside the partner organizations.

Total Intake The total number of animals entering partner facilities, except transfers between partners. Partner transfers are netted out (excluded) to avoid double-counting.

Euthanasia The total number of animals in partner facilities that were euthanized, including by owner request.

Targeted Spay/Neuter The total number of animals altered through free or low-cost spay/neuter services or a TNR program. Targeted includes:

- Low-income by actual level or entitlement qualification OR
- Low-income / high-risk by zip code of residence OR
- Unlikely to have altered in the absence of low-cost program OR
- Impounded one or more times as a stray OR
- Feral animal

Note: Targeted Spay/Neuter is a program output where it will be easier to see results sooner. However, it is not a bottom-line outcome like the other indicators. A good dashboard may include both outcomes and outputs.

Financial Support For the year shown, the total dollars that partner organizations obtained through municipal funding and private fundraising.

Funding sources for nonprofits (including affiliates of municipal organizations):

- Donations excluding bequests (mail, Internet, major donors, events, etc.)
- Local corporate donations
- Foundation grants (not from the ASPCA® or ASPCA® Mission: Orange™ community partner organizations)

Funding sources for municipal organizations:

- Budget: fixed allocation and license/citation allocations

This information is collected annually and is reported in the year-end summary.

Rate per 000 For **Intake**, **Euthanasia**, and **Financial Support**, the rate is calculated by dividing the value for the total number by the human population (in thousands) for the target community. The result is the rate per thousand people.

Human population is shown on the Community Descriptors tab.

Dogs Adult dogs are over 6 months of age.

Puppies	Puppies are up to and including 6 months of age.
Cats	Adult cats are over 6 months of age.
Kittens	Kittens are up to and including 6 months of age.
Number entering partner facilities except transfers between partners	This number includes animals entering partner facilities because they are: surrendered, stray, in protective custody, or transferred in from agencies that are not ASPCA® Mission: Orange™ partners.
Number entering partner facilities through partner transfers	This number includes animals entering partner facilities from agencies or organizations that are ASPCA® Mission: Orange™ partners.
Number adopted	This number includes final adoptions only. It does not include animals placed in foster care.
Number transferred to partners	This number includes animals sent to other agencies or organizations that are ASPCA® Mission: Orange™ partners.
Number transferred out of the partnership	This number includes animals who are sent to agencies or organizations that are not ASPCA® Mission: Orange™ partners in the community.
Free or Low cost S/N ... other than TNR	This number includes only owned animals. It does not include shelter animals altered before adoption, or cats or kittens altered through a TNR program.
Cats/kittens TNR	This number includes strays and ferals, including shelter cats/kittens who will be returned to a colony. It does not include owned animals or shelter cats or kittens who will not be returned to a colony.