

Animal Protection and Control 2016 Year-End Report

Animal rescues and investigations



Animal Protection and Control provides animal care seven days a week nearly county wide, handling citizens' calls concerning dog, cat, reptile, cow, horse, snake, otter, falcon, and nearly any other animal-related issue you can imagine. Averaging just two field officers per day in 2016, covering 600 square miles, equated to a very busy program.

Expenses and revenue

	2015/2016
Total revenue	\$1,465,349
Total expenses	\$2,287,307
Actual loss	-\$813,701
Projected loss	-\$821,958

Significant changes for 2016 include: new multi-year contracts for domestic animal shelter services; a new animal control truck with a hydraulic cage lift; comprehensive changes to animal codes; and approval of a pet licensing fee increase that will result in a much needed fifth Animal Control Officer beginning in 2017.

The program had a particularly gruesome year with three criminal cases in our court system:

- An owner beating his dogs as shown on elevator video footage
- A dog drug behind its owner's pickup truck
- A cattlemen allowing extreme cruelty and neglect of his herd

We also had a horrific unsolved skinning of a dog requiring forensics analysis by the Oregon State University School of Veterinary Medicine's diagnostic laboratory.



Social media has become a powerful tool to which we cautiously participate. It can provide insight and even answers but can also cause the uninformed public to draw quick, unfounded, and potentially dangerous conclusions. We are learning how best to navigate this new medium.

Three staff members attended the 2016 National Animal Control Association's national conference in Seattle, participating in many unique and insightful classes. They learned what trends are happening

nationally and how other agencies respond to similar types of calls we field locally.



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Total County / City

Non-staff expenses

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Shelter	\$463,313	\$490,382	\$600,041	\$652,375
After hours	\$12,016	\$14,590	\$17,269	\$13,908
Equine	\$248	\$211	\$1,023	\$7,596
USDA	\$5,982	\$7,179	\$4,400	\$6,002
Coyotes/Locations	13/5	12/10	5/1	6/12
Veterinary	\$13,434	\$13,940	\$15,188	\$11,953
Total	\$494,993	\$526,302	\$637,921	\$691,834

License units and revenue

	2013	2014	2015	2016	Percent change 2015 to 2016
City	13,004	13,368	13,305	12,791	-3.9%
County	17,876	18,025	18,512	18,612	0.5%
Total	30,880	31,393	31,817	31,403	-1.3%
Revenue	\$427,805	\$430,431	\$438,107	\$431,699	-1.5%

Shelter statistics

	2013	2014	2015	2016	Percent change 2015 to 2016
Dollars per pet	\$132.50	\$170	\$200	\$215	7.5%
Number of pets	3,732	3,951	3,670	3,490	-5.3%
Expense	\$463,313	\$490,382	\$600,041	\$652,375	8.7%
Difference from previous year	\$30,754	\$31,309	\$111,619	\$51,334	

Staffing patrol levels

This table shows the number of days in each month during which the corresponding number of officers were on duty. For example, in January there were no days that all officers were on duty.

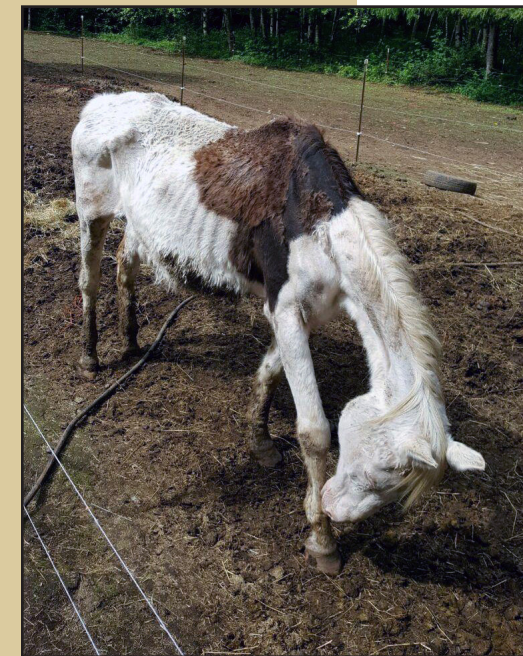
Number of officers on duty	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Total	%
Five	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	4	13	4%
Four	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	6	3	5	18	5%
Three	5	7	10	6	8	5	3	0	8	6	7	8	73	21%
Two	11	15	13	14	8	18	17	13	8	11	5	8	129	38%
One	13	7	8	10	13	4	10	16	13	5	6	4	109	32%
Zero													2	1%
Average officers/day	1.7	2.0	2.1	1.9	1.8	2.2	1.7	1.4	1.8	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.0	100

Favorite pet names

Dogs	Cats
Bella	Lucy
Lucy	Sophie
Buddy	Max
Molly	Bella
Max	Smokey

Animal cruelty

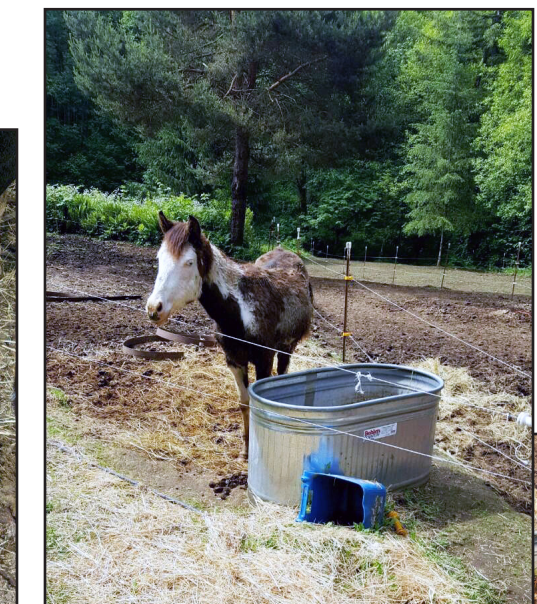
Fees from pet licenses help pay for investigating cruelty cases, like this one.



Horses are found starving

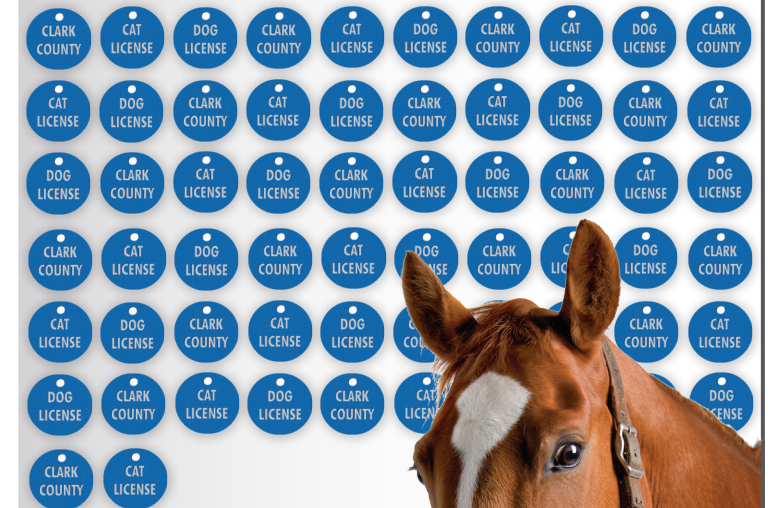


Hooves have not been trimmed, hoof is broken



Water in trough is undrinkable

62 pet licenses...



... pay for **ONE** local animal control horse-related case

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