

Jackson County Animal Shelter 2016 Statistics



DOGS

Total Intake: 1,149 Dogs

Dog Adoptions: 347

**Live Dog Release Rate:
85.6%**

90% live release
is considered
"No Kill"

CATS

Total Intake: 1,707 Cats

Cat Adoptions: 615

**Live Cat Release Rate:
68.2%**

**Total Intake #
includes:**



- ◆ Stray Animals
- ◆ Owner Surrender Animals
- ◆ Community Sterilization Program Animals (321 Total)
- ◆ Owner Requested Euthanasia (326 Total)



**Live
Release
Rate:**

- ◆ Adoptions (962 Total)
- ◆ Animals Transferred to other Shelters (339 Total)
- ◆ Animals Returned to their Owner (371 Total)

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◆ Temporary Housing for Stray

Cats & Dogs at JCAS:

- ⇒ Vaccinations
- ⇒ Behavioral Training
- ⇒ Spay or Neuter Animals Prior to Adoption
- ⇒ Treatment of Medical Issues
- ⇒ Surgical Interventions such as stone removal, amputation, laceration repair, tumor removal, etc



◆ Return Pets to Owner

◆ Run Community Cat Project & Pit Bull Dog Project Spay & Neuter Clinic

◆ Serves as Host & Provides Support for Jackson Cat Project

◆ Medical Examinations for Cruelty and Neglect Cases, including providing expert testimony in court cases.

◆ Submit Specimen Samples for Rabies Testing, work with JCHD Communicable Disease

◆ Kennel Inspections throughout Jackson County

◆ Euthanasia of Animals Per Request of Owner

Wow, JCAS
does a lot!



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In addition to all the services we already provide to the animals of JCAS and the community of Jackson County, we are always trying to do more. One of our top priorities is to make the environment for our cats and dogs the best we can and offer enrichment opportunities to these animals until they find their forever home. All of these opportunities would not be possible without our dedicated volunteers and donations we receive from the community and partners.



♦ **Cat Habitat Addition:** A state of the art natural living space for our cats provided by The Friends of the Animals of the Jackson Area, Inc

- ♦ **Animal Anti-Cruelty Task Force:** Consists of County Prosecutor and key stakeholders to help with cruelty cases of animals in Jackson County
- ♦ **Law Enforcement Training:** In 2014, Animal Control Officers (ACO) were eliminated. Now, Law Enforcement act as ACOs. We are trying to provide training to help them recognize and handle animal situations.
- ♦ **Animal Enrichment:** Such as Play Yard Fence to be added to front yard, living room space upstairs, patio area outside, kitty portals for larger individual kennel cages, additional cat condos, new cage fronts, and more.
- ♦ **Education in Schools:** Education about JCAS & caring for animals in school classrooms
- ♦ **Community Events:** Outreach, Education and On-Site Adoptions



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No Kill.

What does it mean? No Kill means that 90% or more of animals in a facility leave with a live outcome. No Kill does not mean that the facility does not euthanize animals. Most No Kill Facilities are also limited intake facilities. What is a limited intake facility? This is where the facility can pick and choose which animals they will accept and help. All others, they will turn away...

OPEN ADMISSION.

What does it mean? Open Admission means that the facility will take any and all animals. They do not get to pick and choose what comes in based on look, breed, behavior, age, and health.

JCAS IS AN OPEN-ADMISSION SHELTER FOR STRAY DOGS! This means we take every sick dog, every aggressive dog, every injured dog and every unpretty dog that no one else will take. We hold stray dogs for 7 days as an opportunity for their owners to claim them. After the 7-day stray hold, **THE ANIMAL GOES UP FOR ADOPTION!** The entire time the animal is in our care, we provide medical care, rehabilitation, and behavioral training if necessary. We do not encourage euthanasia for any animal that walks through the door but sometimes a sick or old animal will not get better, no matter how much medical care we provide; or the animal is so aggressive that we cannot train it to change the behavior. This is when we would choose to euthanize. We will not allow an animal to suffer or the public to be in danger! Quality of life and safety of people are a huge concern for JCAS! For this reason, even if we reach the 90% live outcome rate, we will never classify ourselves as a “No Kill Shelter”.



WHAT WE DO ENCOURAGE DAILY IS:

Adoption. Sterilization. Responsible Pet Ownership. Rehabilitation.