

## **Animal Services Increases Public Safety**

Irving Animal Services works to increase public safety by protecting both residents and animals. Staff members educate the public on animal welfare issues, impound animals, and issue citations by taking code enforcement action when applicable. The following services are provided to residents.

- Pet adoptions
- Local rabies control authority (certified quarantine facility)
- Animal bite investigations
- Animal cruelty investigations
- Dangerous animal complaints
- Microchip implantation (available for \$10 during business hours)
- Dead animal pick up
- Stray animal pick up
- Injured or sick animal pick up
- Impounded animal housing
- Live animal traps
- Urban wildlife complaints
- Barking complaints

Live humane traps are available for free to Irving residents during normal business hours to capture nuisance animals such as urban wildlife. Trained animal services officers will remove any captured animals. Residents are not advised to capture or contain potentially dangerous, wild or vicious, at-large animals.

Stray companion animals can run into traffic, scatter garbage, can be attacked by other animals, become targets of abuse, be exposed to diseases, and be declared dangerous with potentially severe penalties for both animals and the owners.

For more information, call Animal Services at (972) 721-2256. Requests for service after normal business hours left on the phone menu are checked and serviced the following business day, seven days a week, during normal operating hours. In the case of an emergency, call 911.