



JAN 2026 Monthly Report



TOTAL MONTHLY INTAKES

538

That's 17 animals per day.

In 2025: 506 or 16 per day.

ANIMAL INTAKES

398 Lost/Stray	260 <small>In 2025: 256</small> 98 <small>89</small> 19 <small>12</small> 21 <small>17</small> 46 Surrendered	28 <small>In 2025: 9</small> 10 <small>7</small> 4 <small>12</small> 4 <small>17</small> 4 <small>45</small>	45 Adoption Returns	38 <small>In 2025: 27</small> 7 <small>6</small> 0 <small>2</small> 0 <small>0</small> 28 Confiscated	1 <small>In 2025: 0</small> 0 <small>2</small> 1 <small>0</small> 1 <small>0</small> 3 <small>0</small> 22 <small>2</small> 1 Bit Someone 0 Cruelty 1 Owner Hospital 1 Ordinance 3 Owner Died 22 Police
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ANIMAL OUTCOMES

317 Pet Adoptions	215 <small>In 2025: 192</small> 77 <small>55</small> 9 <small>11</small> 16 <small>3</small> 97 Reunited with their Family	31 <small>In 2025: 52</small> 2 <small>1</small> 2 <small>6</small> 6 <small>25</small> 15 Spay Neuter Return & Working Whiskers	15 SNR 0 WW <small>In 2025: 3 SNR 1 WW 4</small>	28 Humane Euthanasia* (For Medical)	4 <small>In 2025: 10</small> 19 <small>21</small> 0 <small>2</small> 5 <small>3</small> 1 Humane Euthanasia* (For Behavior)
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ADDITIONAL STATISTICS

36 <small>27 0 </small> Animals Going into Foster 4,717 <small>3,839 in 2025</small> Volunteer Hours Donated 3,783 <small>3,229 in 2025</small> Phone Calls Received 2,791 <small>3,077 in 2025</small> Pet Licenses Processed 94.7 % Average Live Release Rate 98.5% <small>In 2025: 95.6%</small> 83.6% <small>92.5% 75.0%</small>	XXX Spay & Neuter Surgeries XXX Microchips Implanted XXX Pounds of Food Distributed XXX <small>XXXX in 2025</small> Exams XXX <small>XXXX in 2025</small> General Surgeries XXX <small>XXXX in 2025</small> Vaccinations	690 <small>815 in 2025</small> OFFICER-RESPONDED CALLS 2025 2026 196 139 Rabies Quarantine 57 71 Deceased Animal Pickup 0 1 Cruelty Investigations 65 40 Nuisance Investigations 61 47 Leash Law Patrols 64 51 Welfare Checks 39 38 Aggressive Dog Pick Up 18 18 Nuisance/Barking Complaints 315 285 Other Calls for Assistance <small>Public Assistance, Settling Traps, Compliance Checks, Animal Bite Reports, Aggressive Dog Pick-up, Calteasing Pick-up, etc.</small> 487 <small>885 in 2025</small> Total Citations Issued 27 <small>64 in 2025</small> Spay/Neuter Citations
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NEW SECTION COMING SOON...

Ventura County Animal Services (VCAS) provides medical care to thousands of animals every year. And while our goal is always to treat, heal, and rehabilitate, some animals arrive in such critical condition that humane euthanasia may be the most compassionate course of action to end suffering. These decisions are never easy, but we will not allow an animal to suffer when there is little to no quality of life.

When an animal displays dangerous or unsafe behavior, VCAS convenes a Shelter Review Committee to ensure

decisions are made thoughtfully and with public safety as a top priority. This committee includes shelter managers and seasoned Animal Care professionals who review detailed notes made by staff, volunteers, fosters, and previous owners before reaching any decision.

Euthanasia for behavior-related reasons represents about 5% of animals euthanized at VCAS, which is approximately 0.4% of the total animals we care for each year.

The euthanasia of cats tends to increase during the warmer months when seasonal breeding leads to a rise in orphaned neonatal kittens. Sadly, many arrive in extremely fragile condition with poor prognoses, and humane euthanasia may be the most compassionate course of action.

NOTE: VCAS ended the euthanasia of healthy or treatable animals in 2012. No animals are euthanized due to length-of-stay or lack-of-space.