



CITY OF EL PASO

El Paso Animal Services

Animal Services Field Operations & Enforcement

Goal 8: Nurture and Promote a Healthy, Sustainable
Community

Strategic Agency Partnerships

El Paso Animal Services' Field Division serves the City of El Paso but is not the only Animal Welfare / Animal Control Division.



El Paso County Animal Welfare Department

Serves County municipalities/townships:
Horizon, Clint, Fabens, Vinton, Anthony,
San Elizario, Canutillo, Tornillo, unincorporated



Socorro Animal Control Serves City of Socorro



Tigua Animal Control Serves Tigua Tribal & Fort Bliss

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**Texas Parks & Wildlife-
Game Warden**
Wildlife reports & concerns



**El Paso Police Department
Animal Cruelty Unit**
Cruelty & neglect cases



TEXAS
Health and Human
Services
**Texas Department of
State Health Services**
Regional Zoonosis Control



We Are Public Safety



Animal Protection officers and their multifaceted roles as guardians of animal welfare, protectors of public health, responders to emergencies, and educators make them indispensable members of our communities.

Animal Protection Officer (APO)

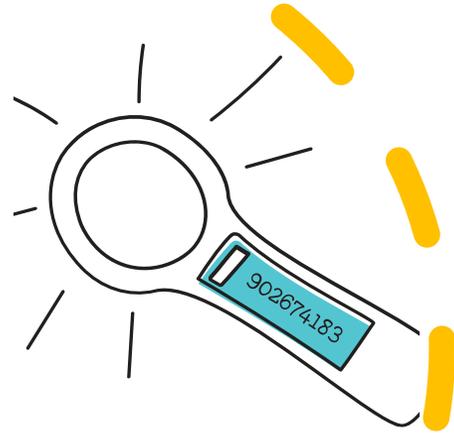
- Prior to 2016 – Known solely as a **'Dog Catcher'**
- Shelter Reform 2016 – Shifted to APO
- ACO Training – Texas Health & Safety Code Chapter 829
- Euthanasia Technician – Texas Health & Safety Code Chapter 821
- Enforce City Ordinances, Title 7 “Animals” and state laws



APO Duties

- Roadside sales
- Quarantine violations
- Seizures of cruelly treated animals
- Dangerous Dog Hearings/Appeals
- Animal to human attacks/bites
- Animal to animal attacks/bites
- Illegal dog/cat selling & breeding
- Animal neglect
- Animal running at large
- Animal abandonment
- Illegal grooming of animals
- Animals in a vehicle
- Public Education & Outreach
- EPAS Prime*
- Community Programs





PetPoint
DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

APO Tools

- El Paso Code of Ordinances – Title 7
- PetPoint & Microchip Databases
- Unit: Computer, Dispatcher Radio
- Animal Capture Devices
- Microchip Scanners
- Social Media
- The Community's Eyes & Ears!

Damien LM ► Found & Lost
Pets #ElPasoStrong, Texas
May 12 • 🌐

Found near Benito/Candeleria in Lower Valley. NO CHIP, let me know if he's yours. He'll be at the El Paso Animal Services shelter after 8pm.



May 12, 2021 at 16:42:34

fitfamelpasobackup 24h



Found this cute doggy on Zaragoza right next to the Sports park.

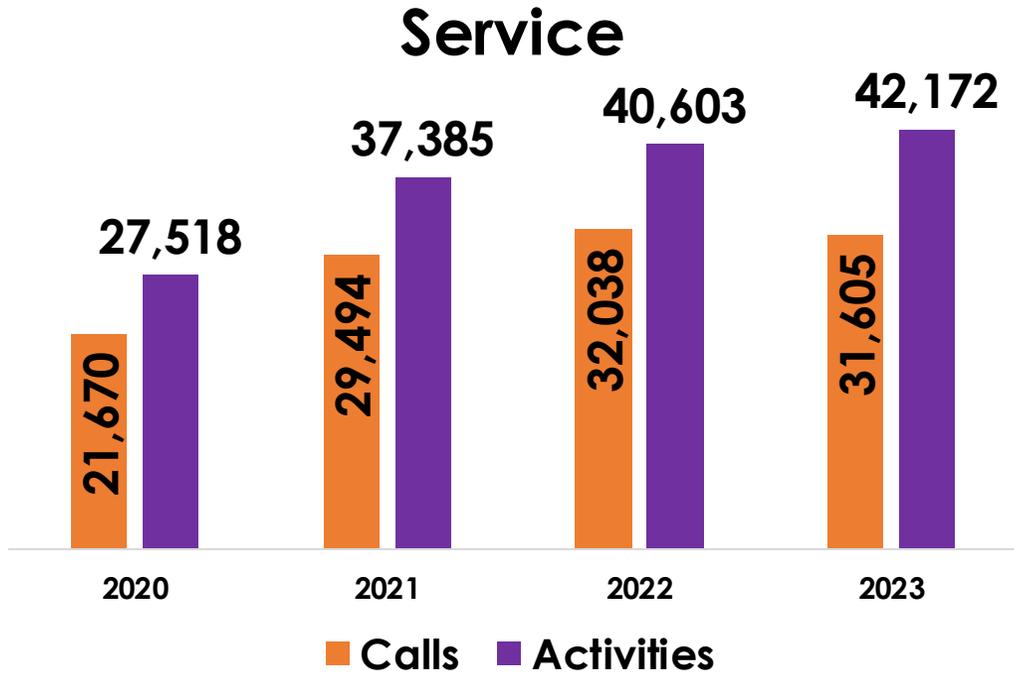
@fitfamelpasobackup

Francesca Panchie ► Lost, found and stolen pets in El Paso
Oct 11 • 📷

2 MALES found in 79905 area. Both negative for tags/microchips. DM to reclaim. After 2:30pm dogs will be at 5001 Fred Wilson 79904 for reclaim.



By the Numbers



Violations for CY 2023

- Total 7,614**

Animal Defecation	14
Animal Droppings	37
Animal Feces Removing	15
Animal In Vehicle	31
Animal Neglect	4
Animal Not Confined	995
Animal Not Restrained	38
Animal On Public Grounds	3
Animal Quarantine Violation	788
Animal Selling, No Permit	23
Groomer FTR inj. w/i 48 of DOI	2
Grooming w/o License	3
Littering	7
No Litter Permit	94
No Microchip	1046
No Registration	1767
No Vaccination	1858
Shop FTM Tracking Log 7.15.090	3
Shop FTR Injury w/i 48 of DOI	2
Shop Op. w/o Lic. Groomer	4
Shop Op. w/o Reg.	4
Title 7 Misc. Violation	842
Unlawful Advertisement	26
Unsanitary Living Condition	8
Total	7614



More Than a Dog Catcher

Animal Protection Officers do more than catch loose animals.

- Help families keep their pets
- Provide services to the community
- Reunite families
- Champion for those without a voice
- Educate for pet responsibility
- Ordinance compliance
- Inspections



APOs are at the helm of innovative animal welfare nationwide!

April – Prevention of cruelty to animals month

- Every April marks the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month, a nationwide observance dedicated to raising awareness about the mistreatment of animals and finding ways to combat animal cruelty.
- El Paso Animal Services & the El Paso Police Department Animal Cruelty Investigations Unit join forces to bring awareness on Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month and promoting this year's topic, Stand with Sunny



**STAND
WITH SUNNY
★ AGAINST
ANIMAL CRUELTY**

**EPPD ANIMAL CRUELTY INVESTIGATIONS UNIT
EL PASO ANIMAL SERVICES - ANIMAL PROTECTION**





QUESTIONS?

MISSION



Deliver exceptional services to support a high quality of life and place for our community.

VISION



Develop a vibrant regional economy, safe and beautiful neighborhoods and exceptional recreational, cultural and educational opportunities powered by a high performing government.



VALUES

Integrity, **R**espect, **E**xcellence,
Accountability, **P**eople

MISIÓN



Brindar servicios excepcionales para respaldar una vida y un lugar de alta calidad para nuestra comunidad

VISIÓN



Desarrollar una economía regional vibrante, vecindarios seguros y hermosos y oportunidades recreativas, culturales y educativas excepcionales impulsadas por un gobierno de alto desempeño



VALORES

Integridad, **R**espeto, **E**xcelencia,
Responsabilidad, **P**ersonas