

Animal Services Analysis Updates

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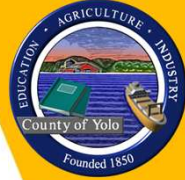


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Legal Mandates



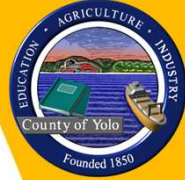
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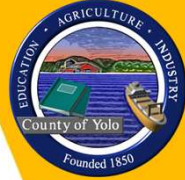
Health and Safety §121575-121710	Provide a rabies control shelter system and a rabies control program, including immunization and licensing; stray animal control; reporting, investigation, and isolation of animals involved in bite incidents; and public education
Food and Agricultural Code §31105	The taking up and impounding (sheltering) of all dogs which are found running at large
Food and Ag §31101-31109 & §31752	Required holding period for a stray dog/cat: usually six business days, not including the day of impoundment (can be shorter or longer depending on circumstances and is typically four business days locally); owner redemption rights; release to rescue group; adoption practices generally
Penal Code §597/§597.1	Crimes against animals: seizure of abused and neglected animals; investigation for animal cruelty and referral for prosecution; care for injured stray animals and owner (if known) liability for costs
Food and Ag §31108.3 & §31752.1	Microchip dogs and cats prior to release from shelters
Food and Ag §30503 & §31751.3	Spay and neuter of cats/dogs prior to adoption
Food and Ag §31625	Seizure of dogs pending a dangerous/vicious determination; hearing rights
Health and Safety §121690	Rabies vaccination requirements and exemptions; provision of public dog vaccination clinics by local government

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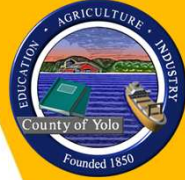
Section 6-1.202	To operate and maintain the Animal Control Center and to administer and enforce the Animal Control Center provisions
Section 6-1.202	To cooperate with the Health Officer in the administration and enforcement of the rabid and dangerous animal provisions
Section 6-1.202	To remove and dispose of the carcass of any dog found in or on any street, alley, or other public place, except State highways
Section 6-1.202	To receive applications for dog licenses, to issue dog licenses, to collect dog license fees in advance, and to enforce the dog licensing provisions
Sec. 6-1.901.	Every owner of a dog over four (4) months in age shall have such dog vaccinated with such canine anti-rabies vaccine and at such intervals as prescribed by the State Department of Health
Sec. 6-1.803.	Animals voluntarily surrendered shall not be deemed to be impounded and need not be kept or retained for any minimum period of time
Sec. 6-1.804.1.	Provide euthanasia services on animals whose owners request it





Request for Information (RFI)

- To determine the feasibility of a private/public partnership governance model, the County issued a RFI on September 1, 2025 to study operational and program options to serve the Yolo County community.
- The RFI is strictly for information gathering and information on costs is not being collected.
- Interested organizations are encouraged to respond with their experience in shelter management, animal intake, rescue and foster programs, spay/neuter, and field services.
- The RFI closes on October 23rd, 2025.
- List of organizations will be part of the animal services governance/organizational analysis.



Request for Information

EXHIBIT A
Vendor Response Form

Organization Name:
Contact Person, Title:
Phone Number:
Email Address:
Federal Tax ID Number:

Yolo County appreciates your assistance in answering the below questions regarding services your company may offer.

Note: If your company does not currently offer a feature or area of interest but may be interested in adding it (or are currently working to add), please note that in the comments section. Please include how your company will be able to provide the service in the future and if applicable, an estimated start date.

1.1 Organizational Background and Experience

	Comments/Description
Operations: Describe the size of your organization, the locations it serves, and how it can manage a workload like the County's.	
History: Outline your organization's history, including the number of years it has provided animal services.	
Structure and Leadership: Detail your organizational structure, incorporation information, and names of directors.	

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Future Plans: Explain the plans for continuing services over the next five years.

1.2 Readiness

Services	Yes	No	Comments/Description
Physical Facilities: Does the organization have the infrastructure needed for servicing and housing animals? Describe the facilities available for animal housing, as well as those available for staff and volunteers (e.g., modular units, restrooms), if any. Specify the maximum capacity for housing and servicing animals.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Licenses: Does the organization currently have necessary licensing and credentialing (business, Department of Consumer Affairs, Internal Revenue Service, veterinary license, etc.)? Please affirm that your organization meets these eligibility criteria.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Insurance: Does the organization currently carry all necessary insurance, including Yolo County insurance requirements (See Attachment 1)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Staffing: Would the organization need to hire additional staff to furnish these services?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Interested organizations must complete the Exhibit A – Vendor Response Form and submit electronically through Beacon or by email at Proposals@yolocounty.gov.

Marketing Efforts

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Yolo County is seeking interested organizations including local nonprofits to respond to a Request for Information (RFI) to provide professional services for animal care operations within Yolo County. The County is exploring opportunities to strengthen and enhance animal services, including shelter management, animal intake and care, redemption and adoption services, rescue and foster programs, spay/neuter and vaccination clinics, veterinary services for small and large animals, humane law enforcement, community education, volunteer coordination, fundraising, and special event production. Read more here www.yolocounty.gov/Home/Components/News/News/14029/4918



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Yolo County invites qualified organizations to respond to a Request for Information (RFI) to provide professional services for animal care operations in the County. Organizations who can provide the following are encouraged to respond:

- Management of shelter operations
- Tracking of animal intake
- Adoptions and foster programs
- Spay/neuter and rabies vaccine services
- Humane law enforcement and related field services

The purpose of the RFI is to gain knowledge of current animal services partners available in the county and no contract will result from any responses to this RFI. If your organization is interested, please review the RFI at <https://tinyurl.com/YoloAS>. Questions and responses may also be sent to Proposals@yolocounty.gov. Submissions are due Thursday, October 23rd at 2:00pm PST.

Please see press release with vendor form attachment:
www.yolocounty.gov/Home/Components/News/News/14029/4918



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Yolo County seeks input on animal services

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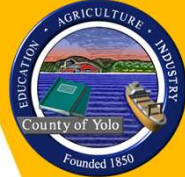
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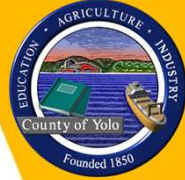
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"This exploratory process will help us identify qualified organizations that may be strong partners in promoting and protecting the health and welfare of both animals and residents within Yolo County," said Angel Barajas, Yolo County Board of Supervisors and the County's representative on the Animal Services IPA committee. "We look forward to better understanding what opportunities may exist to enhance animal services in Yolo County."

This RFI is intended strictly for information-gathering purposes. It will help the county and its partner cities of





Meetings with Animal Services Agencies within California

- Sonoma County Animal Services
- Contra Costa County
- Animal Resource Center of the Inland Empire
- Stanislaus Animal Services Agency
- Staff also reached out to Marin County Animal Services/Marin Humane, Santa Cruz County Animal Shelter & City of Alameda/Friends of the Alameda Animal Shelter.



Next Steps

- Compile RFI Responses
- Finalize Governance Models Analysis
- Present to the Yolo County Board of Supervisors