



ANNUAL REPORT OCTOBER 2015 – SEPTEMBER 2016



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A Word from the Director

The green light has been given by the five jurisdictions the shelter serves to proceed with the expansion and renovation of the existing animal shelter. The architectural and engineering contract has been approved and the architectural firm of Jackson and Ryan are beginning to prepare the construction documents.

The expansion will add an additional 85 dog kennels and cages and 93 cat cages, doubling the holding space the shelter currently has, bringing the total dog spaces to 170 and cat cages to 186. The project was designed to take the shelter through 2035 in the initial build-out however, due to costs; it was scaled back and will now be built in phases occurring about every ten years.

The new two story addition will be located to the west of the current facility and will be the adoption center with dogs on the first floor and cats and offices on the second floor. Small outside play yards will be built in the courtyard so the dogs can get exercise and a break from the kennels and potential adopters can have a safe place to get to know the dog. There will be a balcony on the second floor with opportunity for a couple of catios as well.

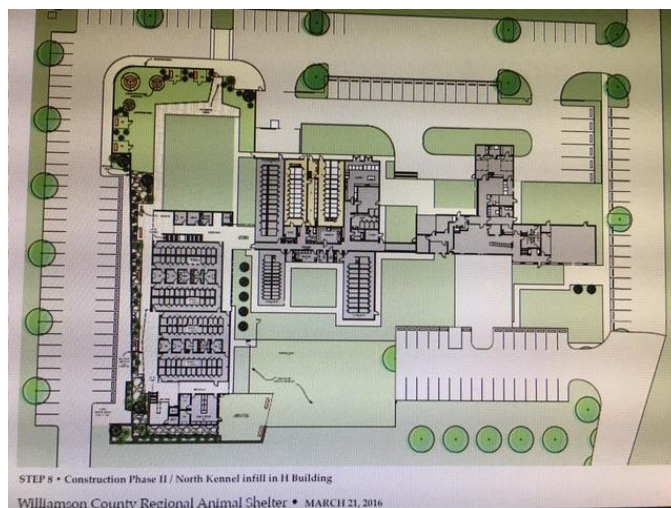
In the remodel, the air condition units will be replaced. The dog kennels were equipped with swamp coolers which have been problematic from the beginning. Shelters must maintain a temperature between 60 – 80 degrees and the relative humidity should range between 30-70% according to industry standards. This has not been achieved with the swamp coolers and traditional A/C units will be installed. The drainage in the kennels has failed with backup into the kennels being the norm. New drains will be installed in all the dog kennels as well as the protective sealant covering the floor will also be replaced. An automatic cleaning system will be installed so the cleaning solution is stored and mixed out of the animal care areas.

A new expanded surgical suite will be moved from the current location in the dog kennel area to the current administration offices in the main building. This will allow for a larger operating room as well as a room for recovery. There will be an entrance to the area for citizens dropping off community cats and foster animals scheduled for surgery.

Construction is slated to begin the summer of this year and projected to take 18 months to complete. We hope to hold a ground breaking ceremony in March to coincide with our ten-year anniversary of being open.

Staff and volunteers are so excited to see this finally come to fruition. It will be awesome to work in a shelter that has the space and functionality the number of animals we take in dictates. Thank you to the board members as well as the officials of Williamson County, Round Rock, Leander, Cedar Park and Hutto for their dedication and support they given to the homeless animals.

Cheryl Schneider, Shelter Director



Adoptions

Adoptions are so important to saving the lives of the shelter animals. Generally, the animals that come in as strays go on hold for 3-5 days and then are placed for adoption. Owner surrenders are immediately placed for adoption. All the animals adopted are neutered, vaccinated, tested for heartworms or feline leukemia and microchipped. Adoption fees vary depending on promotions. Seventy percent of the animals that enter the shelter are adopted into new homes. A free wellness exam is offered to all adopted cats and dogs through participating Veterinarians.



**Happy
Beginnings!**



Volunteers



Volunteers are an essential piece of the shelter's life-saving mission. They are a dedicated and hardworking extension of our staff. During FY 2015-2016, 776 new volunteers went through orientation. Once again, well over 8,000 hours were spent at the shelter by volunteers donating their time.

Because we are an open admission shelter, we intake dogs that do have some modifiable behavior issues. We are super proud of our team of volunteers that work specifically with these dogs, which we call our Longtime Loveables. These volunteers have had previous behavior training and/or have worked their way up through our volunteer levels.

Memorial Garden and Bricks



The Play Yards, Memorial Plaza, and Walking Trail at the Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter (WCRAS) are places for shelter dogs to participate in play groups with other shelter dogs, relax with volunteers and staff, and bond with potential adopters. The donations raised through the Play Yard and Memorial Garden Fund aid in the construction and maintenance of the site. By purchasing an item to help sustain the yard and gardens, not only are you honoring a beloved pet or family member, you are also aiding a life-saving program for the dogs of Williamson County.

Special Events and Fundraisers

6TH ANNUAL DENIM AND DIAMONDS FUR BALL OCTOBER 10, 2015



The Fur Ball is held annually at the Marriott in La Fontera in Round Rock. The money raised is funding a play yard for shelter dogs and walking path in the back of the shelter. We were incredibly honored to have Suzanne Kogut, the Executive Director of Petco Foundation speak at the event. Petco Foundation has been a great partner to the shelter. This year \$20,988 was raised at the Fur Ball (After expenses, the event netted \$13,715.27). Attendees are treated to an awesome meal prepared by the Marriott chef, a fabulous silent auction, and great company!



WOOF, WALK, AND WRUN

APRIL 30, 2016



The Woof, Walk, and Wrun raises money specifically for Jane's Fund and this year we raised \$14,357.55. It was held at the beautiful Berry Springs Park and we had 142 runners, walkers and dogs register for the event. The 2nd annual Cat Nap Challenge, for those who would rather stay in bed, had 14 participants! Jane's Fund pays for all of the medical expenses the shelter incurs at outside Veterinarians for animals that come into the shelter with injuries or

illnesses beyond our scope, such as broken bones and trauma. Without these donations, we would be euthanizing hundreds of animals every year for injuries or illnesses that are treatable. Mallory is our WWW representative this year. She came to the shelter with a broken leg, lacerations to her face and she was terrified. With the proper medical care and a lot of TLC and patience, Mallory was ready for adoption and is now happily living in a home with a couple that adores her.



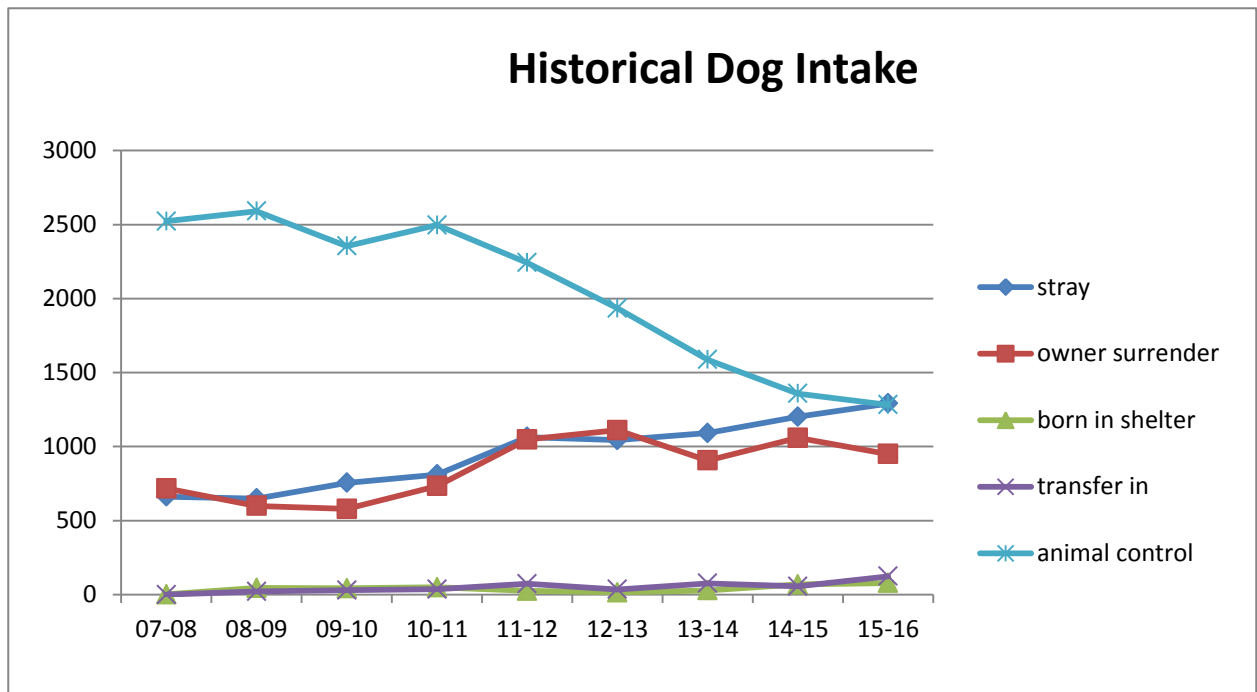
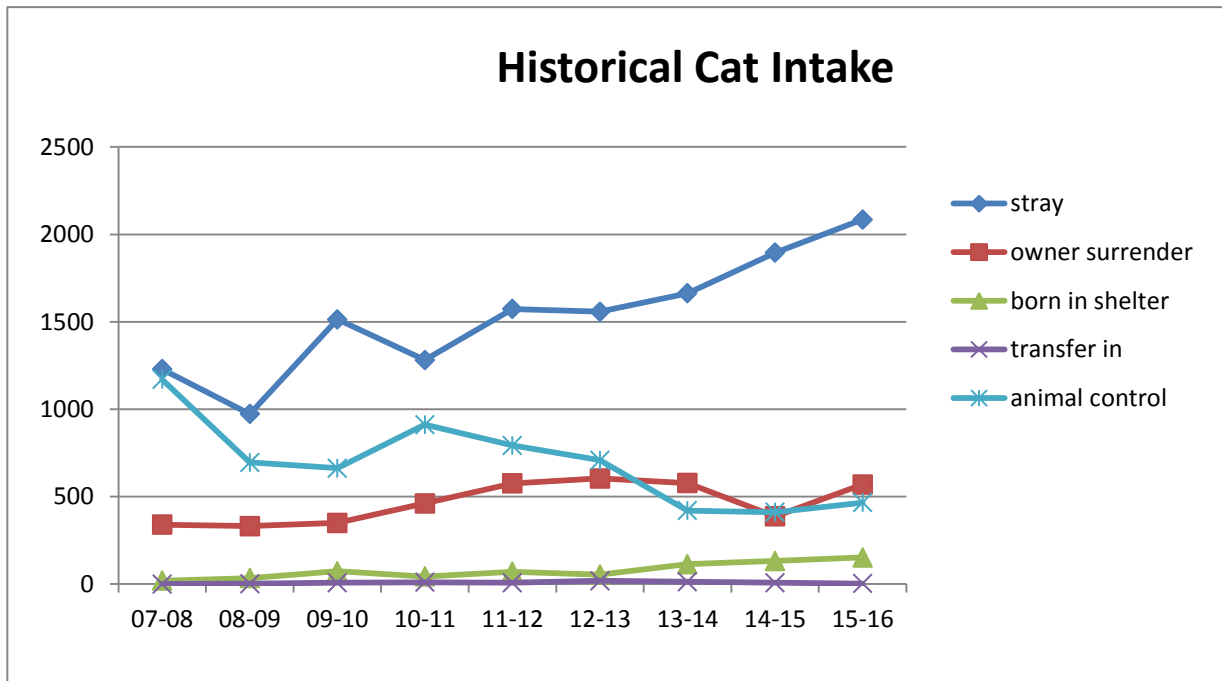
Annual Comparison - Dog and Cat Statistics

Cats

	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Stray	1514	1281	1573	1558	1663	1895	2085
Owner Surrender	350	461	576	604	578	387	464
Transfer In	7	10	7	18	13	7	3
Born in Shelter	73	43	71	54	114	132	152
ACO Agency	663	912	793	708	420	411	466
Total Incoming	2607	2707	3020	2942	2788	2832	3170
Adopted	1159	1417	1637	2014	1859	1965	2341
Reclaimed	45	71	34	44	41	82	74
Transferred	420	568	750	513	535	391	287
Died	282	278	246	219	123	176	176
Admin Missing	41	77	47	79	29	19	79
Euthanized	504	363	193	206	123	125	215
Total Outgoing	2431	2698	2907	3075	2710	2758	3172

DOGS

	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Stray	755	811	1064	1044	1091	1202	1291
Owner Surrender	579	734	1048	1111	907	1059	950
Transfer In	30	36	73	35	76	56	78
Born in Shelter	43	49	26	15	29	69	124
ACO Agency	2355	2497	2243	1934	1587	1358	1283
Total Incoming	3762	4127	4454	4139	3690	3744	3726
Adopted	1329	1710	2543	2316	2143	2462	2364
Reclaimed	943	1138	1093	1023	956	885	996
Transferred	774	955	561	620	419	349	271
Died	44	25	34	21	26	15	20
Admin Missing	6	0	15	1	8	7	9
Euthanized	672	227	203	186	106	49	77
Total Outgoing	3768	4055	4449	4167	3658	3767	3737

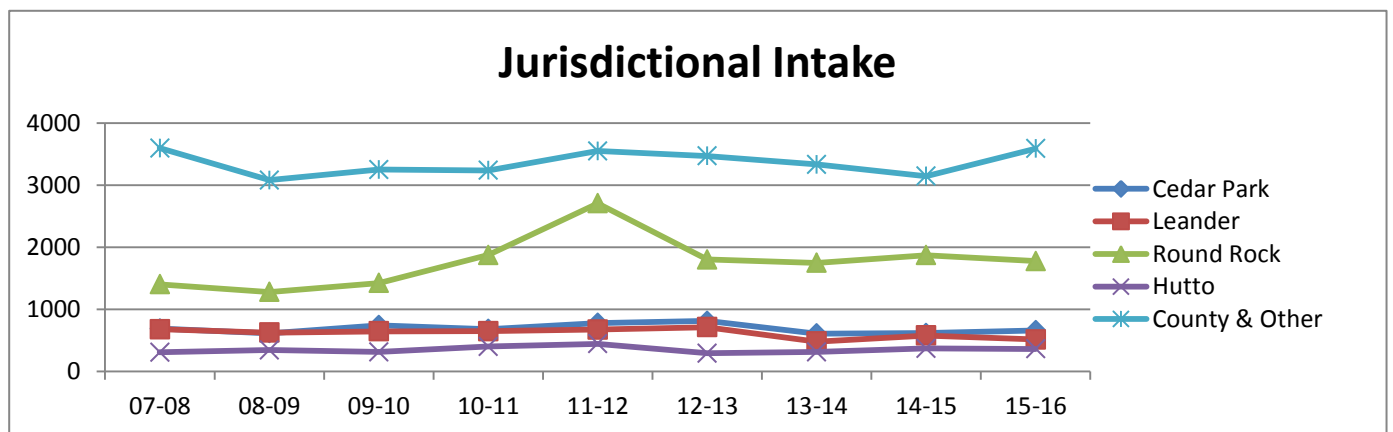


Total Intake of all Animals

Intake	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016
Cats and Kittens	2036	2607	2707	3020	2942	2788	2832	3170
Dogs and Puppies	3907	3762	4127	4454	4139	3690	3744	3726
Domestic Rabbits	0	8	18	30	47	24	16	46
Wildlife	36	25	106	106	28	103	31	58
Bats	16	55	133	114	160	32	18	24
Exotic Animals	0	5	2	1	6	17	0	3
Livestock	1	9	9	6	19	19	12	16
Wild Birds	0	9	10	9	3	0	17	24
Domestic Birds	0	2	11	10	3	8	2	9
Other Domestic Pets	7	10	7	13	29	13	22	33
Total	6003	6492	7130	7763	7376	6694	6694	7109

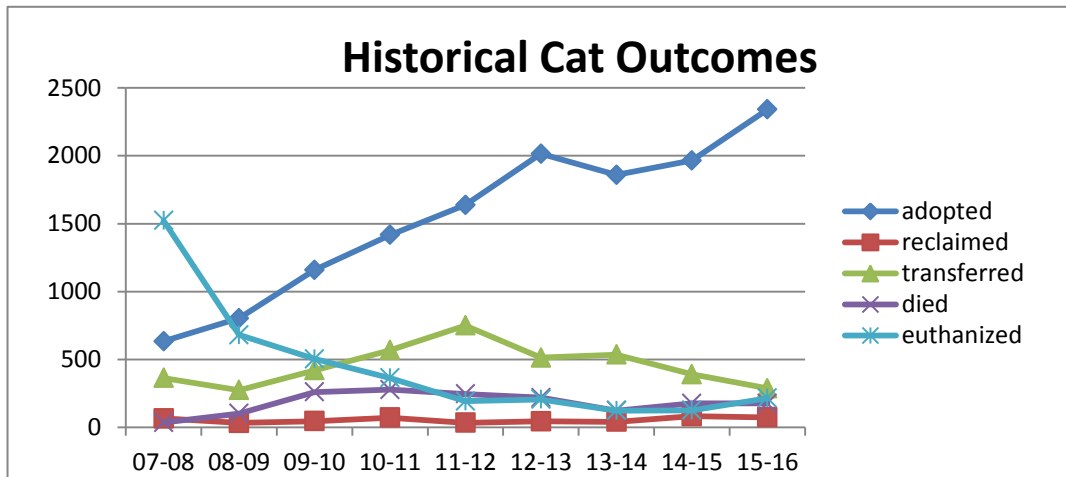
Cat and Dog Intake by Jurisdiction

	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Cedar Park	613	742	679	777	812	607	616	660
Leander	624	643	647	671	711	479	578	512
Round Rock	1280	1423	1873	2035	1800	1748	1870	1775
Hutto	343	312	398	442	290	312	369	361
WilCo	2940	3095	3095	3326	3219	3139	2875	3190
Other	141	154	142	223	249	193	268	398

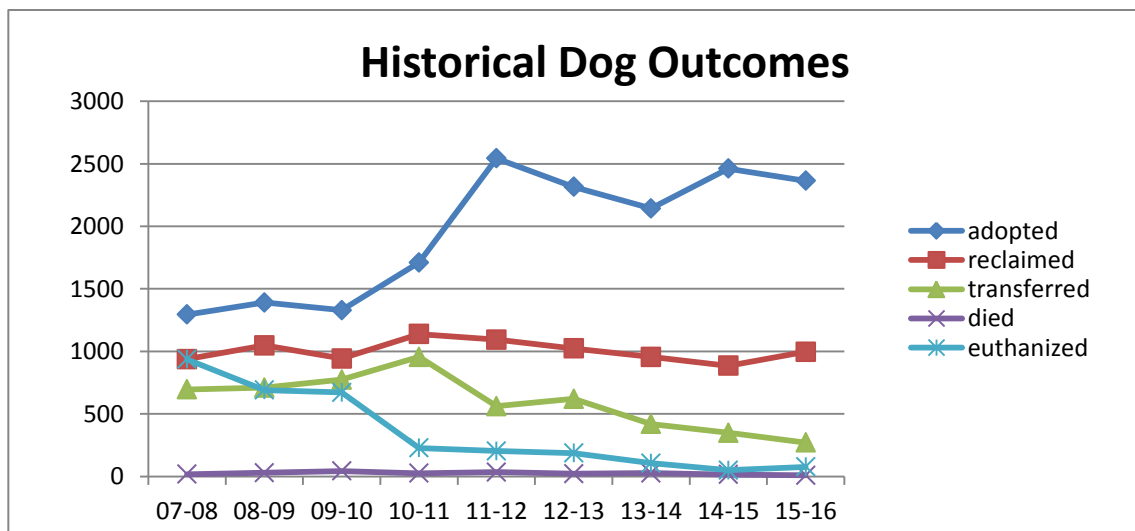


Animal Outgoing Percentages

Cats	07-08	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Adopted	23%	43%	50%	58%	59%	68%	69%	69%	75.76%
Reclaim	3%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	3%	2.39%
Transfer	18%	14%	20%	22%	27%	27%	17%	17%	9.28%
Died	2%	6%	8%	10%	10%	7%	5%	6%	5.69%
Euthanasia	53.95%	34.12%	18.86%	12.68%	6.27%	7.0%	4.54%	4.41%	6.95%



Dogs	07-08	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Adopted	33%	36%	35%	41%	57%	56%	59%	66%	63.6%
Reclaim	24%	27%	25%	28%	25%	25%	26%	24%	26.8%
Transfer	18%	18%	20%	22%	13%	15%	11%	9%	7.29%
Died	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0.5%	0.24%
Euthanasia	24.97%	17.66%	17.85%	5.53%	4.57%	4.49%	2.90%	1.31%	2.07%



Rescue Groups Pulling Animals from the Shelter

	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
Austin Pets Alive		240	339	130	85	110	61
Honorina's Cat Rescue	208	277	303	286	270	159	0
Texas Humane Heroes (WCHS)	563	537	231	136	141	68	172
Austin Humane Society	154	151	99	94	135	130	88
PAWS Shelter Kyle		162		165	75	58	14
Georgetown Animal Outreach				40	49	34	45
Breed Specific and Others	265	173	340	282	199	181	238

Other Interesting Numbers/Facts

- 🐾 1631 cats/kittens and 543 dog/puppies animals went into a foster home and there were 682 fosters.
- 🐾 1,673 dogs/puppies and 2,467 cats/kittens were spayed/neutered at the shelter before adoption.
- 🐾 398 cats/kittens were sterilized through our free-roaming spay/neuter clinics and 179 owned cats were sterilized at the shelter funded by a grant. 211 owned dogs were spayed/neutered through two different grants using a voucher system with 4 participating clinics.
- 🐾 1346 animals were licensed in Williamson County/Hutto this year. This generated \$7,105 in revenue. The shelter also licensed 202 animals for the City of Round Rock which generated \$1317.50 in revenue for them.
- 🐾 370 microchips were implanted in owned dogs and cats in community clinic events and an additional 250 chips were implanted at the shelter on owned pets funded by grants.
- 🐾 Average length of stay in the shelter for dogs was 9.1 days and 15.8 days in cats.





Budget Expenditures FY 2015-2016

(Final amounts not available at print time)

Personnel	\$1,011,971.13	Salaries and Benefits
Shelter Improvement	\$11,967.66	Small Equip and Tools, Facility Maint and Repair
Direct Animal Care	\$235,936.86	Janitorial Supplies, Professional Services, Animal Care, Medical Care, Disposal
Utilities	\$63,076.33	Telephone, Electric and Water
Office, bldg, and yard	\$29,952.93	Office Equip and Furniture, Computer, Office and Paper supplies, Extermination, Janitorial Contract, Lawn Service, Bond, Property Ins., Courier, etc
Vehicle	\$3,264.59	Gasoline, Repairs and Maintenance, Insurance
Personnel Costs	\$4,010.76	Uniforms, Membership Dues, Publications, Travel and Training
Donations	\$109,233.23	HW and Medical Treatment, other misc. subsidize budget
Purchases for Resale	\$1,158.00	Retail items for sale in Lobby

Annual Budget Comparisons

	Budgeted Amount	Revenue	Expenditures	Donations	Donation Expended
2007-2008	\$1,001,845.00	\$187,350.77	\$974,865.66	\$17,980.67	\$578.00
2008-2009	\$1,007,859.32	\$178,714.58	\$977,718.41	\$27,673.96	\$10,655.31
2009-2010	\$1,035,782.00	\$173,877.64	\$1,010,835.19	\$51,037.72	\$24,542.31
2010-2011	\$1,042,808.61	\$188,153.42	\$1,049,004.95	\$92,801.25	\$50,548.50
2011-2012	\$1,121,905.94	\$205,064.37	\$1,166,319.18	\$94,556.61	\$69,059.34
2012-2013	\$1,195,299.21	\$190,934.33	\$1,180,038.24	\$106,808.28	\$75,201.25
2013-2014	\$1,262,794.27	\$206,603.12	\$1,234,078.67	\$135,204.18	\$74,741.33
2014-2015	\$1,359,642.71	\$201,668.42	\$1,331,527.66	\$288,173.51	\$109,233.23
2015-2016	\$1,417,962.64	\$202,093.01	\$1,360,180.26	\$179,374.40	\$118,298.69

Jurisdiction Budget Percentage

	07-08	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	16-17
Cedar Park	9.5%	9.8%	10.3%	11.9%	10.4%	9.5%	12.2%	11.7%	9.63%	9.26%
Leander	9.5%	10.2%	11%	10.5%	9.1%	9.8%	9.1%	10%	7.4%	8.75%
Round Rock	30%	21.9%	21.3%	21.2%	26.3%	28%	26.6%	25.6%	27.43%	28.67%
Hutto	1%	4.7%	5.5%	5.1%	5.4%	6.5%	4.9%	4.1%	4.73%	5.81%
Williamson Co	50%	53.4%	51.9%	51.3%	48.8%	46.2%	47.2%	48.6%	50.81%	47.51%

FANS OF WCRAS

RESCUE READERS

Fans of WCRAS is a 501(c)3 non-profit group that supports activities at Williamson County Regional Shelter. Dog trainers are available through the group and classes are offered to adopters as well as other dog owners for Basic Manners class up to Canine Good Citizens classes. Assistance is offered to people that live in the shelter's jurisdiction when needed to help keep a pet in the home. This could be for a medical need, a pet deposit or temporary boarding. One program that is offered is the Rescue Readers. Children come to the shelter and read to the dogs and cats for an hour. It has been a huge success and fun for the kids and great for the animals.





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Mission:

The Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter is a collaborative effort between Williamson County and the cities of Round Rock, Cedar Park, Leander, and Hutto. It provides a safe environment for the lost, abandoned, and homeless animals of these jurisdictions and places them in a good home whenever possible.

Vision:

- To save every healthy and behaviorally sound companion animal
- To save all dogs and cats that can be medically treated and behaviorally rehabilitated and do not pose a public health and safety risk

Governing Board

Lorie Lankford, Round Rock Assistant Finance Director
Daron Butler, Cedar Park Business Services Director
Jeff Hayes, Leander Assistant Police Chief
Micah Grau, Hutto Assistant City Manager
Valerie Covey, Williamson County Commissioner

Advisory Board

Katrina Breitreiter DVM	Veterinarian
Tabitha Blewett, ACO	County/Municipal Official
Joel Hess, Chairperson	Person Involved in Operation of Shelter
Dr. Laura Hobgood	Member of a Welfare Organization
Abby Rodriguez	Resident of Participation Jurisdiction

Management Staff

Cheryl Schneider	Director of Animal Services
Linda Gunter	Administrative Supervisor
Joel Hess	Kennel Manager
Misty Valenta	Community Programs Coordinator