

Lane County - Service Option Sheet - FY 10-11 PROPOSED BUDGET

Service:	Animal Field & Kennel Services	Service Category:	Public Safety	
Dept:	Health & Human Services	Mandate:	None	Related SHALL
Contact:	Karen Gaffney 682-3942	Leverage:	None	Some HIGH

Executive Summary

LCAS provides animal control and protection services to unincorporated Lane County, the City of Eugene and by request to all other incorporated cities. LCAS also provides progressive adoption, licensing, lost and found, and education programs. Services include enforcement of state, county and city ordinances regarding domestic animals and limited livestock situations. LCAS investigates and prosecutes animal neglect, cruelty and abuse cases and dangerous dog violations 24/7. We provide housing and basic medical services for lost, abused, and neglected animals; return animals to their owners; and transfer adoptable animals to local humane societies and rescue groups.

Measure	FY 07-08 Actual	FY 08-09 Actual	Results	FY 09-10 Target
# of animals impounded	3,341	2,188		n/a
Overall live release rate	68%	94%	Above Target	90%
# spay/neuter vouchers issued	698	326	Below Target	500
# current dog licenses	22,749	24,449	On Target	25,500

Service Level Descriptions (Read from bottom up. Level 1 = minimum viable service level.)

	Other Funds	Expense Total	General Fund	FTE
Budget Committee Request Packages		\$85,478	\$85,478	1.00
This would restore 1.0 FTE Animal Welfare Officer to serve unincorporated Lane County. The officer would respond to citizen calls for dogs that are menacing or chasing people or animals, and also provide minimal enforcement of other Lane Code provisions including annoyance, dogs at large, and enforcement of licensing.				
	\$0	\$58,809	\$58,809	1.00
This would add a 1.0 FTE Behavior and Training Coordinator position to evaluate challenging dogs, develop training plans to rehabilitate treatable animals at LCAS, coordinate training for staff and volunteers, and serve as a resource for adopters and the public to help with pet retention. This resource is critical for meeting the mission to save adoptable and treatable animals.				

	Other Funds	Expense Total	General Fund	FTE
Proposed Budget Total	\$1,453,769	\$2,027,101	\$573,332	15.00
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Current Service Level Packages	\$1,453,769	\$2,027,101	\$573,332	15.00
Level 1: Threshold - reductions to this level result in elimination of service	\$1,453,769	\$2,027,101	\$573,332	15.00
LCAS has reduced to .5 FTE of Animal Welfare Officer allocated for unincorporated Lane County, resulting in a response only to situations w/ imminent threat or where an animals has bitten a person or animal. Staff are at the minimum required to provide basic animal care and community service as directed by the BCC through the Save Adoptable and Treatable Animals Task Force recommendations. Currently LCAS has a part time, extra help veterinarian, & no permanent position for behavioral svcs necessary to effectively save adoptable & treatable animals.				

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Additional Detail

DeptIDs: 3427511

State/Federal Mandate

No Mandate. ORS 609.030 Establishing dog control district (1) The governing body of any county may declare the county a dog control district. (3) The board may issue licenses and enforce all of the county and state laws relating to the control of dogs within the county. The county could choose not to be a dog control district and rescind Lane Code Chapter 7 Animal Control.

Leverage Details

The General Fund portion of this program leverages the following:

	back to the General Fund
\$1,453,769	into other County Funds
	directly or via subcontract to community organizations
	directly to community members via service provided

For the purpose of this comparison, only include leveraged funds that are dependent on General Fund revenue. Do not include funds that would still be leveraged if the General Fund portion of the service were decreased or eliminated.

Comments

For the most part, the service level remains unchanged. The need for treatment of LCAS animals continues to outstrip the available resources. The division continues to focus efforts on increasing dog license sales in order to provide much needed revenue, in addition to improving our ability to return dogs directly to their owners.

Volunteer Information	
Advisory Committees:	# of Volunteers / # Volunteer Hours
Animal Svcs Advisory Committee and Subcommittee	7 volunteers / 216 hours
Volunteer Comments:	
Volunteer hours for FY 08/19 - 257 volunteers / 3,628 hours	

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Current Year Total	\$1,397,380	\$1,892,368	\$494,988	16.00