



PIMA COUNTY ANIMAL CARE newsletter

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October is Adopt a Shelter Dog Month!

Pima Animal Care is celebrating Adopt a Shelter Dog month with a fun contest, a media campaign, a volunteer walk and the launch of a new fee system.

Here are five reasons to make a shelter animal your pet:

- 1) You'll save a life. Animals end up in shelters through no fault of their own. What would be nicer than giving them a second chance at happiness?
- 2) You'll fill your home with endless joy. It takes very little to make a dog happy and their happiness can be contagious.
- 3) You'll feel better. Studies have shown living with a dog can lower blood pressure, lessen anxiety and boost immunity.
- 4) You'll stay active. It's hard to resist those puppy dog eyes when your dog drops the tennis ball at your feet or runs to the dog leash to tell you it's time for a walk.
- 5) You'll always have a friend! They will never judge you, criticize you or yell at you. No matter what kind of day you've had, they're always happy to see you!

If you already have pets in your home, give them the love and attention they deserve. If you are looking to add a pet to your home, come see us! Call us at 243-5929 or visit pima.gov/animalcare for more information.



Name the Breed Contest!

Our mixed breed dogs are one-of-a-kind wonders you won't see anywhere else!

We're holding a contest from Oct. 1 through Oct. 11 for the most creative names for these unique breeds.

Just combine the breeds you think may be present in each of five dogs we've selected, along with a detail that makes this dog special. There could be a rare *Fluffy PoodleHuahua* or a *Chubby-jowled German-WeilerTriever*.

Log on to www.pima.gov/breedcontest. We're on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pimaanimalcare



"Building a better community for people and pets!"



You Can Make a Difference at PACC

Pima Animal Care Center is participating in this year's United Way Days of Caring, the largest volunteer event in Southern Arizona.

On Wednesday, Oct. 23, and Saturday, Oct. 26, individuals and groups are welcome to come help us walk our dogs and spend a little time with our cats from 8 a.m. until noon on both days.

Volunteer sign-up closes on Monday, Oct. 7, though, so please visit www.unitedwaytucson.org/daysofcaring to sign up.



Clean as a hound's tooth

To make sure our pets stay as healthy as possible, Pima Animal Care Center will be closing the last Sunday of every month for a thorough scouring.

That means the facility will be closed to the public this month on October 27 while we scrub our shelter top to bottom. It's just one way we cut down on infections. Every quarantined pet already receives a vaccine to give as much protection as possible against infections. We complete a 3-step sanitation procedure twice a day in the kennels, our air handlers recycle all of the air from the shelter every 10 minutes and we ask that guests to our facility use hand sanitizer between pet visits.

Pets that show symptoms of respiratory infection are isolated and treated to the degree feasible.



Journal Broadcast Group helps PACC Animals!

Pima Animal Care Center will receive the equivalent of a \$100,000 major media campaign as the October 2013 Journal Community Partner.

During October, folks can see Pima Animal Care Center featured on the outlets owned by Journal Broadcast Group. Or, if you just can't wait, check out our website, under "Be part of the solution."

Our funding goes to care for our animals, not for advertising, so we are deeply grateful for the opportunity. Thanks, Journal!



Upcoming PACC Adoption Events!

- **Oct. 5: La Encantada**
2905 E Skyline at Campbell
from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.
- **Oct. 11-13**
Tucson Meet Yourself
Downtown
- **Saturday, October 12**
Petco, 9640 E. 22nd Street,
from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.
- **Saturday, October 19**
PetSmart Oro Valley
10625 N. Oracle Road
from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.
- **Saturday, October 26**
Foothills Mall 7401 N. La
Cholla from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

New (simpler) Adoption fees:

Starting this month and through the rest of the year, all of our animals - no matter their breed or size, or their age - will be \$60. That includes licensing fees for our dogs, as well as vaccinations and spay/neuter surgery if needed.

If a pet has been at the shelter longer than two weeks, that pet will be free! Come see if we've got one waiting for you.