



FACT SHEET

- Description:** The Escondido Humane Society is an independent non-profit 503-c-3 charitable organization funded solely by fundraising events, donations and fees for services provided to the public.
- Founded:** EHS was founded by a group of concerned Escondido citizens in 1915. The group became incorporated in 1937.
- Mission:** To promote responsible pet ownership by teaching compassion, respect and caring treatment for all living creatures. The society advocates the elimination of animal abuse, pet overpopulation and homelessness among companion animals. EHS finds new homes for surrendered, stray and abandoned animals.
- Area Served:** North Inland San Diego County from as far east as Borrego Springs to Escondido, San Marcos, Valley Center, Fallbrook, Rancho Bernardo, Poway, Pauma Valley, Rancho Santa Fe, Ramona and sections of Vista.
- The Fire:** The 12,000 sq. ft. facility, located in Kit Carson Park, was completely destroyed by fire on Jan. 20, 2001. 115 animals perished and 85 survived.
- New Animal Center:** The new EHS animal care center will open in July 2003. The 15,000 sq. ft. building will accommodate more than 10,000 animals per year.
- Programs:**
- 1) *Animal Adoptions:* Placement of dogs, cats, rabbits and many other companion animals in loving, life-long homes. Two additional off-site cat adoption units are located at the Vista PETsMART store off Sycamore Drive and the San Diego PETsMART store located off Aero Drive.
 - 2) *Animal Control:* EHS provides animal control services, including dog licensing, for the cities of Escondido and San Marcos.
 - 3) *Humane Education:* Our education programs are designed to challenge adults and children to examine and renew their relationships with animals. Includes Boy and Girl Scout badge programs and outreach programs for at-risk youth.
 - 4) *Pet Therapy:* Visits to local convalescent and retirement homes.
 - 5) *Have a Heart Animal Trap Rental:* Offering a humane way to trap animals without injury.
 - 6) *Spay & Neutering Clinics:* Clinics are open to the public and held on a regularly.

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