

## General Information

Through a contractual agreement, Larimer Humane Society provides animal control services for Fort Collins, Loveland, Unincorporated Larimer County, Wellington, Timnath and Berthoud. Our contract for service includes providing the Animal Protection & Control Officers, transportation, a licensed animal shelter and trained animal welfare staff as well as caring for the stray animals found in these communities. Animal Protection & Control Officers provide a valuable public safety service by keeping our community safe from aggressive animals and enforcing animal ordinances. In 2008 Animal Protection & Control personnel responded to 24,572 calls for service.

An important component of Animal Control is the Licensing Program. Ensuring that domestic animals are vaccinated against rabies protects our community from this deadly virus. Larimer Humane Society administers the License programs for the jurisdictions. The cost of operating animal control for a city or county is not covered by the contract payments. Fees collected from license sales and animal impoundments also support the Animal Protection & Control services.

Funding Larimer Humane Society receives from the jurisdictions is for animal control-only. Contractual income does not fund vital animal care programs such as adoptions, medical rehabilitation, or foster care. These programs are funded solely through donations from individuals, fundraising and bequests.