San Diego Animal Welfare Coalition

Who is the SDAWC:

The San Diego Animal Welfare Coalition comprises seven local animal shelters, which consistently exceeds standards of care to save more lives – making us one of the strongest animal coalitions in the nation and a leader in the humane treatment of animals. The SDAWC member organizations work together for the purpose of saving animal lives.

About Getting to Zero:

Together, the San Diego Animal Welfare Coalition has been working towards “Getting to Zero,” a movement to eliminate the need for unnecessary euthanasia of homeless pets in San Diego. These seven shelters have committed to working together to transfer homeless pets between organizations and find solutions for each individual animal. The coalition achieved zero euthanasia in July 2015, marking the first time in San Diego County’s history -- and the nation’s top 10 largest cities -- that no healthy or treatable animals will be in danger of being euthanized.

Imagine 45,000 of anything. Dollars: that’s roughly the median income of an individual in San Diego County. People: that’s nearly the capacity of Petco Park. Now imagine that every seat at Petco Park is filled with an animal—that’s the number of homeless animals that end up in shelters each year in San Diego County.

Of those 45,000, many are healthy and adoptable. Many others, however, fall into one of two other categories: treatable or unhealthy. Sadly, several thousand treatable animals used to be euthanized.

Contact SDAWC

The San Diego Animal Welfare Coalition shares a common purpose in saving animals' lives, preventing animal suffering and eliminating animal abandonment. It includes the following organizations:

- Chula Vista Animal Care Facility
- Coronado Animal Care Facility
- Friends of Cats
- Rancho Coastal Humane Society
- San Diego County Department of Animal Services
- San Diego House Rabbit Society
- San Diego Humane Society

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