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LaGrange Animal Services Working Toward No Kill Status, Adoption Fees Waived for Dozens of Animals

LaGrange, Ga. August 6, 2019 – LaGrange Animal Services is working toward achieving a no kill shelter status.

LaGrange Animal Services is currently at an 80% save rate. The City must have a 90% save rate to be considered a no kill shelter.



One of the available animals eligible for waived fees

“We typically take in anywhere from two hundred to four hundred animals a month,” said LaGrange Animal Services Supervisor Chris Bussey. “By becoming a no kill shelter, we are able to show the

community that we are here at the shelter trying every day to find every single one of our animals a forever home.”

According to Bussey the main struggle is convincing pet owners to spay or neuter their animals. April through September is the busiest time of year for the shelter because people tend to bring in litters of puppies and kittens during this time.

City staff continues to work with outside agencies to help get animals adopted including the Puppy Pipeline. About 70 dogs and puppies were recently taken to the Cleveland Browns’ training camp to take part in its Puppy Pound adoption event. In 2018, the City of LaGrange was able to save nearly 1,000 animals through their partnership with the Puppy Pipeline.

The Puppy Pipeline of Georgia Rescue is a 501©3 non-profit organization that transports puppies, kittens, dogs and cats to the Northeast and Upper Midwest to no kill shelters that will find them loving forever homes. In the South, there is a low demand, high supply for animals and in the Northeast and upper Midwest there is a high demand, low supply.

The City of LaGrange Animal Services is proud to be a partner of the Puppy Pipeline since its inception in 2007.



One of the available animals eligible for waived fees

Due to current overcrowding issues at the shelter all adoption fees on animals that are spayed/neutered and current on vaccinations are waived. There are 13 dogs and 10 cats available for waived fees.

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