

# WHAT'S UP, DACC?

SEPTEMBER 2020

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL

LATEST NEWS FROM OUR  
ANIMAL CARE CENTERS



## FEES WAIVED FOR KITTENS AND ADULT CATS THROUGH SEPTEMBER

Thanks to a generous grant from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA), adoption fees for cats will be waived through the entire month of September. Want to schedule an appointment to adopt? Email an Animal Care Center directly using the appropriate address below:

Agoura: [agoura@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:agoura@animalcare.lacounty.gov)  
Baldwin Park: [baldwinpark@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:baldwinpark@animalcare.lacounty.gov)  
Carson: [carson@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:carson@animalcare.lacounty.gov)  
Castaic: [castaic@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:castaic@animalcare.lacounty.gov)  
Downey: [downeyctaip@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:downeyctaip@animalcare.lacounty.gov)  
Lancaster: [acclancaster@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:acclancaster@animalcare.lacounty.gov)  
Palmdale: [palmdale@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:palmdale@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

There's no better time than now to adopt a purrfect, purrmanent companion.



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*- Cristina Garcia,  
Animal Care Attendant*

## **DOWNEY ANIMAL CARE CENTER (ACC) DEEP-CLEANING**

During a time when we are all focused on sanitation and a time when fewer dogs are housed at our animal care centers, two of our DACC team members decided to expand their regular cleaning activity at our Downey Animal Care Center to include a thorough cleaning of the beams and rafters. These areas of our kennels had been popular hangouts for pigeons and were clearly in need of extra attention. Animal Care Attendant Cristina Garcia and her supervisor, Animal Control Officer Marcos Vega, undertook the daunting task. "We put a lot of hard work deep cleaning the top of everything in each building," said Cristina. "From scrubbing, scraping, rinsing, washing...everything was by hand."

For many mornings, both Cristina and Officer Vega slipped on their jumpsuits and started to work. Following many days of climbing, scrubbing, and scrupulous work, this mighty team of two had the building thoroughly cleaned and shining.





## GIRL SCOUT LIBRARY PROJECT



Back in December 2019, Girl Scout Troop 6911 began their award project by researching what they could do to support communities through their cookie sale proceeds. The troop eventually identified the Baldwin Park ACC as a potential site for their project. The troop was somewhat familiar with the ACC as they had previously toured the facility.

During the tour, the girls had listened to staff share needs for care center pets and visitors. Following some thought, the troop decided that the best way to promote animals for adoption was through education.

As a result, the concept of the mini library was devised.



The troop began the project last January and aimed to complete it by June 2020. The girls put a lot of thought into the construction process while maintaining artistic expression. Unfortunately, the project was temporarily derailed by COVID-19. Nonetheless, the troop persisted and continued working on the project while in isolation. The troop even divided the project into smaller parts which allowed some of the girls to work alone at home or in smaller, safe groups. Despite the temporary setback, the troop completed the mini library in July 2020 and presented it to the Baldwin Park ACC for display.



## CHECK OUT OUR FOSTER-GRAM!

@fosteranimalsLACo

Fostering has become crucial to the Department's operations. Animals receive the special attention and socialization they deserve, while the community is engaged in being part of the solution. Over 200 animals have been placed into foster care since March, and many continue to be placed through our expanded foster program.

We are so thankful to our generous foster care families! We launched an Instagram page dedicated to foster animals (@fosteranimalslaco) and the families who care for them.

Interested in becoming a foster caretaker? Complete an application online by clicking below!

Click [HERE!](#)

# DACC NEWS

*Animal Care Center News and Updates!*



## ADOPTION EVENT

The ASPCA has awarded the Department a grant of \$5,000 to sponsor an adoption event in partnership with Subaru Antelope Valley. Adoption fees will be waived for all animals featured. The event is currently scheduled to take place in October, 2020. Please stay tuned for updates and further details!

## FIRE RESPONSE

The Lake Fire was initially reported on August 12th near Lake Hughes in the Angeles National Forest. DACC supported fire relief efforts by ensuring that all animals, whether owned or not, received the housing and medical care they needed. All animals have since been released back to their owners.



*Holiday*  
**WISHES**  
GRANT CAMPAIGN

## HOLIDAY WISHES

Have you adopted a pet from a Los Angeles County Animal Care Center? Submit your story to the Petco Foundation for a chance to win a Petco shopping spree and BOBS shoes from Skechers. Your submission also gives our Department a chance to win up to \$100,000 in lifesaving grant funds. **Deadline to submit is September 23, 2020**, so be quick! Submit your story by clicking [HERE](#).





## A NEW HOPE

This five-month old Maltese/Poodle mix was brought to the Palmdale Animal Care Center with badly matted fur full of debris. Volunteer Groomer, Betty, and our Volunteer Bather, Jenny, went to work and gave her the love and care she needed.

Thanks to the dedicated and caring work of these volunteers, this dog has a brand-new look and a full list of potential adopters. Below, you can view Hope's before and after photos!



FIND AN ANIMAL CARE CENTER NEAR YOU!

### Baldwin Park:

4275 N. Elton Street  
Baldwin Park, CA 91706  
[baldwinpark@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:baldwinpark@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

### Carson/Gardena:

216 W. Victoria Street  
Gardena, CA 90248  
[carson@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:carson@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

### Downey:

11258 S. Garfield Ave.  
Downey, CA 90242  
[downeyctaip@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:downeyctaip@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

### Castaic:

31044 N. Charlie Canyon Rd.  
Castaic, CA 91384  
[castaic@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:castaic@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

### Agoura:

29525 Agoura Road  
Agoura Hills, CA 91303  
[agoura@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:agoura@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

### Lancaster:

5210 W. Avenue I  
Lancaster, CA 93536  
[acclancaster@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:acclancaster@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

### Palmdale:

38550 Sierra Highway  
Palmdale, CA 93550  
[palmdale@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:palmdale@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

Interested in Fostering?  
Click [HERE!](#)

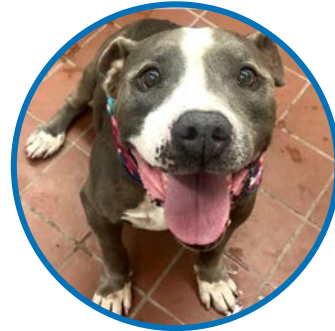
Licensing Questions?  
Call: (562) 345-0400  
Email: [licensing@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:licensing@animalcare.lacounty.gov)

Want to donate to an  
Animal Care Center?  
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## MEET JUNE

June, from the Agoura ACC, had major surgery to remove mammary tumors—an unfortunate, yet not uncommon, side effect of not being spayed. The procedure was successful but June will have to undergo regular vet check-ups to monitor her health.

June still has some recovering to do but is now ready for her new family. If you are interested in meeting June, you can email [agoura@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:agoura@animalcare.lacounty.gov) (and please include your contact number)!



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