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## City of Yucaipa canvassing program begins May 22



San Bernardino County Animal Care and Control (ACC) will conduct a door-to-door canvass of neighborhoods in Yucaipa to ensure that all dogs have current licenses and rabies vaccinations. The program will start May 22 and end July 13.



"The goal of this canvassing is to inform residents about the benefits of responsible pet ownership and pet licensure, and to ensure that dogs are currently vaccinated to protect them from rabies," said Nishalet Wilson, captain of Administrative Services for ACC.



State law requires all dogs to be licensed and vaccinated at four months of age. A license also identifies the owner and helps them to be quickly reunited with their pet in case they ever get lost. Additionally, all pit bull and pit bull-type dogs are required to be spayed or neutered.

Pet owners can prepare by having current pet licenses, vaccination records, and spay/neuter certificates available to avoid possible citations. Owners of unlicensed dogs may obtain a license before visits from animal license checkers. Licenses can be purchased or renewed online at <a href="https://www.sbcounty.gov/acc">www.sbcounty.gov/acc</a> or at the following locations:

- Yucaipa City Hall
   34272 Yucaipa Blvd., Yucaipa
   Monday Thursday, 7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.
   Friday, 8 a.m. 5 p.m. (closed every other Friday)
- San Bernardino County Animal Care and Control 351 N. Mountain View, San Bernardino Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Licenses can also be purchased at the 8th Annual Homeward Bound Mega Pet Adoption Event at Yucaipa Community Park on Saturday, May 18 and Sunday, May 19, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. A vaccine and microchip clinic will be available at the adoption event from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on Sunday.

A dog license costs \$24 for an altered dog, \$12 for disabled residents or seniors (65 years and older) with an altered dog, and \$96 for an unaltered dog. An additional \$20 late fee applies if the license application is determined to be late.

Animal Care and Control is doing its part to help the community achieve the Countywide Vision by ensuring residents have the resources they need to provide the necessities of life to their families. Information on the Countywide Vision can be found at <a href="https://www.sbcounty.gov">www.sbcounty.gov</a>.