



**March 19, 2020**

Due to the recent instances of community spreading of the Covid-19 virus in neighboring counties, and now at least one confirmed case in Mendocino County, a shelter-in-place order has been implemented in our area. We are taking necessary steps to keep our staff, volunteers, community and the animals safe. The shelter will be providing services only on a limited basis until further notice. We deeply appreciate your support and want to assure you that the animals in our care and the people who rely on our services remain our top priority.

According to the World Health Organization, there is [no evidence that companion animals have been infected or could spread coronavirus \(Covid-19\)](#). While our doors will be shut to the public, our staff will continue doing our best to keep our shelter functioning as normally as possible, and focus our efforts on keeping everyone happy, healthy and safe.

At this time, all volunteers are asked to remain at home. Our greatest need will be financial [donations](#) to help offset the loss of adoption fees, clinic revenue, and retail proceeds during this temporary shut-down.

Limited services will be available by appointment only. Appointments can be made between Noon and 4:00 PM Tuesday through Saturday by calling 707-964-7729. Details on these appointment-only services are listed below. We will be taking extra precautions to minimize contact,

adhere to safe social distancing, and sanitizing public areas between appointments.

**We ask members of the public to please not attempt to set appointments if you are showing signs or have been exposed to any illness. The health and safety of our animals depends on the health and safety of our staff.**

### **Adoptions**

Adoptions will continue on an appointment-only basis. Please make appointments only for serious adoption inquiries.

### **Lost and Found Pets**

LOST reports can be filed via phone at 707-964-7729. If you FOUND a stray pet in the City of Fort Bragg, please call FBPD at (707)964-0200. In the County call (707)961-2491). Stray animals may be reclaimed by their owner by appointment only.

### **Owner Surrenders**

During this time, owner surrendered animals will be accepted by emergency case ONLY to allow the shelter to maintain a healthy capacity level. Please call ahead to verify capacity and schedule an appointment if available.

For any other questions during this time, please contact us at 707-964-7729. We will do our best to keep you updated of any changes in our operations going forward. Thank you for your support, and please stay safe.