

## Resources - Lost & Found Animals

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The issue of what to do with found animals comes up regularly in neighborhood discussions.

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### Tips

- Post signs with big letters reading FOUND DOG/CAT/PUPPY/KITTEN. Post them at the corner of RR 12 and Skyline Drive. Photos, large phone numbers, and date found/lost are helpful.
- Post a notice to SRE Yahoo Groups mail list. If you are a subscriber, email [skylineranch@yahoo.com](mailto:skylineranch@yahoo.com). Otherwise, send email to [info@skylineranch.org](mailto:info@skylineranch.org), and we will forward your announcement to the mail list. Mail list distribution is an immediate method of getting in touch with Skyline Ranch neighbors.
- Other places to post signs: grocery store, Ace Hardware, local banks, post office, and all along RR 12. Our drive-thru bank teller posted a sign for us, and the pet's owner saw it. Success!
- Call the local vets and post a flyer at their offices. They're very helpful and can scan an animal for microchip IDs too.
- Some of the shelters are no-kill facilities, but if they're full up, they won't accept new pets.
- If the pet you find has a collar, chances are someone is looking for it, so please keep reaching out in as many public ways as possible. Pets are family.
- Feral or found cats: Feral cats can be spayed/neutered for low cost by Emancipet, which regularly brings mobile services to the local area. Once the cats are "fixed" and can't reproduce, they can be released into the wild again.

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### Orphaned & Injured Wildlife

Skyline Ranch residents also regularly come across non-domesticated animals in the Hill Country. Many of us have had encounters with wild animals - deer, birds, rabbits, foxes, raccoons, skunks, etc. - which have appeared lost or in distress. Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPWD) maintains a web page re: dealing with orphaned and injured animals, as well as a listing of wildlife rehabilitators for Hays County.

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### Animal Referral Information

If you find a stray pet, you should consider avoiding to contact Hays County Animal Control. They will euthanize the pet within three (3) days if not claimed.

Instead, please consider contacting one of the Wimberley area animal referral/rescue services:

[ARF - Wimberley Animal Referral Services](#)

P.O. Box 2435, Wimberley, Texas 78676  
512-847-2878

ARF is a completely private, non-profit community service, a 501(c)(3) organization, that provides a central number for lost and found pets, rescue for those pets in need, and adoption service for people who must find their pet a new home. We operate with our personal funds and donations from animal lovers all over. We are always caring for a number of wonderful pets to place in loving homes. *(Taken from their Web site)*

#### PAWS Shelter

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 695, Dripping Springs, Texas 78620  
Physical address: 500 FM 150 East, Kyle, Texas 78640  
512-268-1611

<http://pawsshelter.org/>

PAWS was founded in 1986 as a non-profit organization, and has been providing care and love to all those who enter our doors in continuous service ever since. PAWS is a NO-KILL shelter serving Central Texas that believes in second chances! At PAWS, companion animals who enter our doors, through no fault of their own, are given medical attention, care, and love for however long it takes for us to find them a loving home. *(Taken from their Web site)*

#### [Thundering Paws - Central Texas Animal Sanctuary](#)

P.O. Box 1555, Dripping Springs, Texas 78620-1555  
512-402-9725

<http://thunderingpaws.org/>

Thundering Paws is a no-kill, non-profit animal sanctuary located near Austin in Dripping Springs, Texas. We are home to an ever-changing number of animals, mostly cats, a few dogs and rabbits. We provide our residents shelter, food, water, spaying/neutering, vaccinations, veterinary care, and a lot of love and attention. All cats are tested for FIV and feline leukemia. *(Taken from their Web site)*

#### [WAG - Wimberley Adoption Group and Rescue](#)

P.O. Box 2603, Wimberley, Texas 78676  
512-394-8619

<https://www.wimberleywagrescue.org/>

WAG Rescue is the temporary guardian of our rescued dogs. We make every effort to ensure our dogs receive Veterinary care, preventive medications & treatments, behavior assessment and Canine Good Citizen training in addition to the loving environment of a foster home. Our goal is to help you find the right dog for your family. *(Taken from their Web site)*

