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From: Ventura County Animal Services, VCAS
Subject: Transition to online and appointment-based services.

VENTURA COUNTY, Calif.: As a precautionary measure to slow the spread of COVID-19, and to align with the closure of county buildings to the public, effective **Tuesday, January 4th, 2022**, through **Tuesday, January 25th, 2022**, the following changes will go into effect at Ventura County Animal Services:

- 1) Due to a limited workforce and the possible deployment of staff as Disaster Service Workers, the Simi Valley Animal Shelter will temporarily close. All found animals must be brought to, and reclaimed at, the Camarillo Animal Shelter at 600 Aviation Drive, Camarillo, CA 93010.
- 2) The Camarillo Animal Shelter will close to casual visits (i.e., walking around to view animals in their kennels). All animals can be viewed on our website at www.vcas.us/pets.
- 3) Although casual visits will be temporarily suspended, the main office at the Camarillo Animal Shelter remains open for business with required social distancing and face coverings.
- 4) Those interested in adopting a shelter pet are asked to sign-up using our recently launched adoption sign-up portal at www.vcas.us/adoptionprocess. Further instructions and adoption information can be found on this webpage.
- 5) Pet license payment and document submission can be done via our website, U.S. mail, or on-site drop box located at the Camarillo Animal Shelter. Please visit www.vcas.us/licensing or email VCAS_PET_LICENSE@ventura.org if you have questions and/or require further assistance with pet licensing.

These changes will be in effect for a three-week period ending on Tuesday, January 25th, 2022, at which time an assessment will be made to determine if these changes will continue.

Ventura County Animal Services remains committed to all life-saving activities and ensuring the highest quality of care is provided to our animals. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact us at (805) 388-4341 or info@vcas.us.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding during these unprecedented times.

Ventura County Animal Services