New pet for the holidays: Get a license and make a plan

GEORGETOWN ANIMAL SHELTER

Did your family get a new pet this holiday season? Or is it time to renew your pet license? All pets that reside in the city limits of Georgetown are required to be licensed annually with Georgetown Animal Services. The City’s pet license requirement is in place to help enforce the rabies vaccination requirements, which help keep rabies under control.

During the pandemic, pet licenses will be sold over the phone, email, or mail, whenever possible. To purchase a license, simply email or mail your pet’s proof of current rabies vaccination to the animal shelter, along with basic owner information (name, address, email, phone). For payment, call the shelter with credit card information, or mail a check.

The cost of a license is $5 for animals that are spayed or neutered or $20 for unaltered animals. For residents’ age 65 and older, the license is free if the pet is spayed or neutered. Free licenses are limited to one per person.

For more information or to use a form that will guide you through the process, visit pets.georgetown.org/overview/licensing.

Cupid’s Chase 5K and Fun Run
FEB. 13-21

The 26th annual Cupid’s Chase 5K and Fun Run is going virtual in 2021. Participants will be able to compete virtually in a 5K run/walk for ages 11 and older, or a children’s 1K Fun Run for ages 10 and younger. Learn more at cupid.georgetown.org.

Chase the Chief 5K and Fun Run
MARCH 8

The ninth annual Chase the Chief 5K and Fun Run will go virtual in 2021. Details will be announced once they have been finalized. To find more information about the Chase the Chief 5K and Fun Run, go to chasethechief.georgetown.org.

HERE ARE SOME ADDITIONAL TIPS TO CONSIDER THIS NEW YEAR TO ENSURE PETS ARE SAFE:

1. When making an emergency kit for your family, consider your pet’s needs.
2. Take a current photo of you and your pet together in case you get separated during a disaster.
3. Keep your pet’s microchip registration info up to date.
4. Put your name and contact information on your pet’s ID tag.

Learn more at ready.gov/pets.

Spring and summer program registration

The Georgetown Parks and Recreation Department will open enrollment for its spring and summer programs on Feb. 1. Information about classes and other programs can be found at parks.georgetown.org.
New murals popping up throughout Georgetown

Georgetown is now home to several new murals throughout town, including recently completed murals “Dreaming of Papaver Rhoeas” by Angela Effenberger at the Starbucks in Wolf Ranch featuring red poppies, and “Best Friends” by Jay Rivera and J. Muzacz at Wag Heaven, 206 W. Sixth St., Ste. 115, featuring K-9 heroes. The projects join “Greetings from Georgetown, Texas,” by Sarah Blankenship at Gus’s Drugs, 702 E. University Ave., also completed in 2020. Murals are also planned at the Georgetown Animal Shelter, 110 W.L. Walden Drive, and Georgetown Title, 702 S. Rock St. Visit arts.georgetown.org for more information.

Texas Disposal Systems Waste Wizard notification tool

Need a reminder to set out the trash and recycling each week? There’s an app for that! Georgetown solid waste and recycling customers can check their collection days, sign up for text or email reminders, and find out how to sort your solid waste and recycling on Texas Disposal Systems’ Waste Wizard at texasdisposal.com/waste-wizard.

2020 Employee Awards

CITY OF GEORGETOWN

EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR (PICTURED RIGHT)
Malcolm Brown (Community Services), John Fusco (Information Technology), Ethan Harwell (Planning), Arica Kolb (Parks and Recreation), Kim McAuliffe (Economic Development), and Gina Smith (Fire)

SUPERVISORS OF THE YEAR
Rachel Franks (Parks and Recreation) and Chris Fusco (Customer Care)

MANAGERS OF THE YEAR
Michael Hallmark (Engineering) and April Haughey (Community Services)

CUSTOMER SERVICE EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR
Patty Martin (Information Technology), Jonathan Morales (Engineering), Ed Rollmann Sr. (Facilities) and Adam Young (Human Resources and Organizational Development)

DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR
Shawn Bichsel (Information Technology), Mikey Braff (Fire), Dylan Burrows (Police), Mayra Cantu (City Manager’s Office), Ashlee Carmichael (Police), Cameron Currie (Water), Cindy Davis (Finance), Colleen Emerick (Customer Care), Antonio Garcia (Public Works), Keith Hehmann (Fire), Brandy Heinrich (Planning), David Herzog (Engineering), David Holloway (Fire), Chase Kluge (Water), David Lanier (Police), Keith Laughlin (Police), Erica Marroquin (Finance), Sheri Miklaski (Library), Holly Moyer (Human Resources and Organizational Development), Steven Neinast (Inspections), Richard Pajestka (Electric), Edward Ramirez (Facilities), Joshua Ratliff (Fire), Jamie Ruth (Parks and Recreation), Kait Rutherford (Community Services), Sarah Satterlee (Police), Tiffany Spicer (Public Works), Danny Thiele (Information Technology), Joseph Toomgam (Fire), Melissa Trahan Pecorino (Parks and Recreation), Ernest Vidaure (Water), and Michael Weisner (Electric)