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Shelter Animals Count Coalition: Information for Shelter Partners

Join our Shelter Animals Count Coalition and the American Pets Alive! mission to end the needless killing of dogs and cats in animal shelters. Help us to create a world where every homeless animal counts.

What is a SAC coalition?

Shelter Animals Count is the only centralized animal shelter statistics reporting platform. SAC Coalitions are used by funders, state federations, and local coalitions to provide access to data from organizations with which they have a relationship. In this case, we utilize the SAC platform to gain access to data you submit to Shelter Animals Count, saving you time in reporting to multiple places. We require that if you are a student of the Maddie's Lifesaving Academy that you join our SAC coalition.

How do I sign up for the AmPA SAC Coalition?

Follow these simple steps and you'll be a part of the American Pets Alive! Shelter Animals Count Coalition, in no time:

1. If you are not yet signed up for Shelter Animals Count visit **shelteranimalscount.org/register**
2. Once you register your organization, or if you are already registered, log in to your account, select Manage Coalitions, and search for American Pets Alive!
3. If you get stumped, you're in good hands, Shelter Animals Count has some of the most helpful how-to videos, ever. Here is a video that will walk you through the simple steps to register your organization.
4. For more information about data entry, watch this how-to video on data reporting.
5. If you have any other questions email us at inquiries@americanpetsalive.org

Why does AmPA! think this is important?

Data collection and sharing has quickly become an animal sheltering best practice.

Here are a few good reasons to collect and analyze your data using Shelter Animals Count:
- Grant and community funders ask for this information, and many ask for you to be a SAC participant
- Track lifesaving progress and success in your organization and community
- Build trust and ask for help by engaging your community through transparent shelter practices
- Help us in our efforts to ensure that every animal that enters into a shelter is counted
- AmPA! requires that you sign up if you attend an apprenticeship or a masterclass

Does everyone at a shelter get a username?

Shelter's can have multiple users for their shelters. Their ED or CEO has to complete registration and will be prompted to do so with an email from SAC, once a shelter employee signs up for the first time.

What type of data will I have to share?:

You will be asked to share monthly data of all intake and outcomes for cats and dogs, across your organization. For more information on the type of data and entering your data each month, watch this how-to video on data reporting.

How much time will this take each month?

We recognize your time is valuable. We anticipate that our coalition partners will spend **10-20 minutes per month** reporting their shelter statistics on Shelter Animals Count.

Additional Resources

SAC has some very helpful answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Software instructions created by Shelter Animals Count:

For Animal Shelter Manager users: Click here to sign into your account, then you can find the Shelter Animals Count report available under the Reports menu. For detailed instructions and screenshots, please visit the FAQ section of the manual.

For PetPoint users: From any PetPoint screen, select the Report menu and click Report Website. Click to expand the Asilomar/Shelter Animals Count section then click to select the Shelter Animals Count: Data Export report. Select the dates you wish to run the report for and click Submit to download the CSV file. More information can be found by logging in to PetPoint and visiting Support > Pethealth Community. Use the search term "Shelter Animals Count reports" to read setup instructions.

For Petstablished users: Click here to sign into your account, then navigate to Reports section, click "Create New Report," then select "Shelter Animals Count" from the Report Type drop down. For further instructions, Petstablished users can go to the Tutorials and FAQ section of their account and search for "Shelter Animals Count."

For ShelterBuddy users: Click here for an easy to follow guide on how to run the data matrix report, including a detailed version of the report which details the animals that are included in the report for each section.

For Shelterluv users: Click here to sign into your account, then navigate to Reports section, then "External Reports" and then select "Shelter Animals Count."

For Sparkie users: Sign into your account, go to the Animals section, click the 'Reports' button and choose the Shelter Animals Count report. It will automatically download almost instantly!

For Chameleon users: If you are a Chameleon user and an HLP, Inc client, click here to sign into your account and get access to Shelter Animals Count report templates and technical assistance for manual data entry.