

Tips To Find Your Lost Pet!

Asheville Humane Society is very concerned about your lost pet. We do all we can to help people find their missing loved ones. It is essential that you take an active role in locating your lost pet.

The holding period for a stray animal in Buncombe County is 72 hours. Positive identification of the pet is the sole responsibility of the owner. It is suggested that you visit the shelter every 2 to 3 days. AHS makes no guarantee that your pet can or will be identified with the information provided in your report.

Here is a check list of suggestions you can try from home to help:

- ✓ Make and post flyers over a one mile area from where your pet went missing. Premade flyers at www.paws.org/work/lofound/downloads/signs/index.html or can be made off the ad you place with WNC Lost pets.
- ✓ Walk the neighborhood, talk to everyone, and leave a flyer!
- ✓ Call local veterinarians during the day; after 5pm call veterinary emergency clinics! Often times if an animal is injured it will be left in their care.
- ✓ Visit your local and surrounding animal shelters! **You must come and look!** Descriptions can vary from person to person; you know your pet best! You can also keep in contact with AHS by email at lostandfound@ashevillehumane.org
- ✓ Place an ad in local newspapers and online. The iwanna.com, craigslist.org, lostpetswnc.org, and reachvet.org provide free postings for lost or found animals. Check the found Ads on these sites too!
- ✓ Check the AHS lost and found website frequently! It is updated as the animals are admitted into the shelter. It can be found here: www.ashevillehumane.org/lost-found.
- ✓ Find out if your animal has been in accident and is deceased. The department of transportation usually picks up deceased animals from the roadside and city streets within 24 hours. For city of Asheville residents you would call 828-259-5857 and for those in the county you would call 828-298-0390.