

## ***A Salute to Our Animal Control Officers!***

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(Pictured – Left to Right: Chief Moericke, Animal Control Officer Keil, Animal Control Officer Perry)

It's Animal Control Officers Appreciation Week at the [Metro Animal Shelter](#) in Puyallup! While the National Animal Control Officers Appreciation Week is next week, we celebrate our local officers during the first week of April!

Our officers are the ones who help keep our shelter running (alongside our volunteers), making sure that the furry friends lost on the streets aren't lost for too long! But that's not all they do.

The team of Animal Control Officers at the Metro Animal Shelter are almost always out in the field (if they aren't at the shelter), responding to animal noise nuisance complaints, aggressive and dangerous

animals, injured animal rescue, deceased animal removal, investigating reports of animal cruelty (did you know that April is Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month?), kennel and pet shop inspections (if there's a complaint made), as well as public education. The officers employed at Metro work across the seven city service area that Metro services, and work hard to make sure that we and our furry friends stay safe.

Want to show your appreciation? The Metro Animal Shelter is hosting an Open House on April 28<sup>th</sup>! Stop by to say hi, and to thank the Animal Control Officers for all they do!

If you have any concerns about an animal or need Animal Control assistance for some other reason, the Metro Animal Shelter asks that you call the shelter at (253) 233 – PETS, and all calls will be handled on a priority basis. However, if it is an emergency to public safety, you are urged to call 911 immediately.

Want another way to show your appreciation for all that the Animal Control Officers and the Metro Animal Shelter do? [DONATE TODAY](#) and help them take care of the animals looking for their Forever Families!