

How to Find Your Lost Pet

Thank you for visiting our shelter to try and locate your lost pet. Act fast!!! Don't wait days hoping your pet will come home. The sooner you begin your search, the better the odds of finding him. Here are some additional steps and tips to help you recover your lost pet.

- ❖ Print flyers with a picture and description of the animal, include your name and phone number, and reward (if offered).
 - Distribute to animal shelters, veterinarians, shopping centers, pet food stores, libraries and any additional storefronts that will allow you to post it.
- ❖ Search your neighborhood (or the neighborhood your animal was last seen). Ask residents if they've seen your pet and leave a flyer with them if possible. Call your pet's name and check any places she could have become trapped, such as garages or under vehicles. A lost pet often will hide during the day, so be sure to go out again at night with a flashlight and call for her. Sometimes a can of food can lure a hungry and scared pet back to you.
- ❖ Check with the local shelter every day and surrounding animal control agencies every 2 days. Don't just call, but look through the shelter(s). Many animals are difficult to describe over the phone, and only you really know what your pet looks like.
- ❖ Call animal volunteer groups and animal rescue organizations. A partial list is included below. Again, leave your flyer if you have one.
- ❖ Check the free online resources for found animals and post an ad
 - www.petfinder.com
 - www.lostandfound.com
 - www.pets911.com
 - www.craigslist.org
- ❖ Post an ad in the local newspaper. See below for some information. Watch the found ads and respond to any that might be close to your pet's description. A week of wandering can make white pets look drab gray, and the ad's description might not exactly not fit.

Animal Shelters

Antioch Animal Shelter - Antioch	(925) 779-6989
300 L Street (at 2 nd Street)	Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 10 – 4; Tues & Thurs 10 – 8pm
County Animal Services - Martinez	(925) 798-1773
4849 Imhoff Place	Tues – Sat 10:00 – 5:00, Wed 10:00 – 7:00
County Animal Services - Pinole	(510) 724-1773
651 Pinole Shores Drive	Mon – Sat 10:00 – 5:00, Wed 10:00 – 7:00
Tracy Animal Shelter - Tracy	(209) 831-4DOG(4364)
370 Arbor Road	Tues – Sun 12:00 – 6:00
East County Animal Shelter - Dublin	(925) 803-7040
4595 Gleason Drive	Open 7 days 11:30 - 530

Advertise *(Call for further details and distribution information for the listings below)*

Contra Costa Times/Antioch Ledger classified dept.	779-9566 or 935-2522
For Lost Pets	Approximately \$32.95 for 3 lines print for 7 day run
For Found Pets	Free for 3 lines print for 7 day run
To display picture	Approximately \$39.32 for 1" x 1" for 7 days

Volunteer & Rescue Groups

Homeless Animal Lifeline Org. (HALO)		(925) 473-4642
Friends of Formerly Friendless	www.ffcattfriends.org	(925) 372-0197