# Animal Intake Policy 2024

**Dogs**

1. As per state code all stray canines are picked up.
2. Severely injured or sick; follow Injured Animal Standard Operating Procedure (#12)
3. Owner dies with no family available.
4. Owner arrested with no custodian available.
5. Abandonment, neglect, or cruelty seizures.
6. Dangerous dog.
7. Owner sign- over when space available, recommend other outreach programs and education about finding homes/rescue for their dog.

**Cats**

1. Quarantine for bite, pick up and take to GMHS for holding.
2. Severely injured or sick; follow “Injured Animal Standard Operating Procedure” (#12)
3. Abandonment, neglect, or cruelty seizures
4. Kittens taken to GMHS and or other approved rescue groups.
5. Feral cats are not taken at our shelter; citizens with captured feral cats are sent to the GMHS

**Small Animals (birds, pocket pets, reptiles, Etc)**

Depending on species will take into custody.

**Livestock**

Place in a rescue or foster care. Small barn area on shelter grounds for small hoof stock and fowl.

**Wildlife**

Injured wildlife transported to either veterinarian or to a wildlife Rehabber.

Some of these policies are subject to available space, or situations presented at the time. This facility adapts the best it can to most intake situations, while staying in compliance with state code and regulations subject to public animal shelters.