

## LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

TREASURER & ANIMAL SHELTER 200 E. Grand River Ave. / 418 S. Highlander Way, Howell MI 48843

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## Livingston County's Treasurer's Office And Animal Shelter Team Up To Encourage Residents To Trick-or-Treat Their Dogs To A License

HOWELL, Mich. – "Getting your dog a license this year is one of the best treats you can give them," says Treasurer, Jennifer Nash. Livingston County's Treasurer's Office and Animal Shelter have once again teamed up to encourage residents to make sure their dogs are licensed through their annual "License To Love" campaign and photo contest. This year the campaign is aimed to spread awareness that dog licenses not only keep our dogs safe, but that all funds raised from the purchase of licenses benefit the Animal Shelter. That means that when residents protect their dog with an annual \$10/\$25 license, they also help the Shelter care for animals who need help. "I think it's important to know that when you purchase a license, every dollar of that goes directly to supporting our Animal Shelter," Treasurer Nash explains.

Wondering about how to get your dog licensed? You've got a few options. The Treasurer's Office has made getting a dog license as easy as possible with their online option. Simply visit <u>https://milivcounty.gov/treasurer/dog-licenses/</u>. You'll need to provide proof of your pet's current rabies vaccination and proof of their spay/neuter (if applicable.) You can also apply for a license with these same documents by stopping by the Treasurer's Office on the first floor of the Historic Livingston County Courthouse at 200 E. Grand River Ave. or the Animal Shelter at 418 S. Highlander Way in Howell. The cost of a license is available in the table below.

To spread the word about dog licenses and to celebrate our local pups this spooky season, the Treasurer's Office and Animal Shelter are running their "Top Dog Contest" now through October 30th. "Halloween presents more than its' fair share of potentially scary situations for our companion animals," said Christy Peterson, the Livingston County Animal Shelter Director. "One guaranteed way to have fun and enjoy the holiday with your pup is to dress them up and have a mini photo shoot for their chance to be our next Top Dog!" Residents can submit a photo of their dog in costume to the County's Facebook (@LivCoGov), or via email to analepa@livgov.com. On October 31<sup>st</sup>, the County's Facebook page will run a post asking residents to vote for their favorite photo. The photo of the dog with the most "likes" will be named the County's Top Dog and their photo will be used in dog licensing materials for 2025.

Dog License Fees	1 Year	3 Years*
Current Spayed/Neutered	\$10.00	\$25.00
Current Male/Female	\$25.00	\$60.00

\*The rabies vaccination must be valid for the entire 3 year period

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