My Pet is LOST, what should I do?

Bulverde Area Humane Society understands how upsetting this can be, and we want to help you reunite with your pet.

Please do the following:

1. Start your search immediately. Do not wait:

Drive the neighborhood, talk to neighbors, and prepare flyers. Lost Dogs of Texas of a free template at freetexasflyer.com. Give the flyer to your mail carrier, as well as UPS and FedEx drivers. Post the flyer in shopping centers, on telephone pole, in veterinary offices, pet stores and groomers in your area. Include a detailed description and the name of your pet. Your pet will be more likely to approach a stranger if called by name.

- 2. **Contact your pet's microchip company** and let them know he is lost. Check to make sure your contact information is current.
- 3. **Check with animal Shelters.** Call us and leave a complete message. Then email a description and photo to us and Animal Rescue Connections, as well as the following:

Bulverde Area Humane Society 830-980-2247 <u>BAHShelter@yahoo.com</u>

Animal Rescue Connections (210) 474-0083 <u>AnimalRescueConnections@gmail.com</u>
Canyon Lake Animal Shelter 830-899-2527 <u>CanyonLakeAnimalShelter@gmail.com</u>

Humane Society of New Braunfels 830-629-5287 generalinfo@hsnba.org
San Antonio Humane Society 210-226-7461 website@SAHumane.org
Animal Defense League 210-655-1481 intake@ADLtexas.org

Leave a complete description of your pet in case he/she is brought to them. You should also visit the shelters and continue to visit regularly as they receive new animal daily and only you know exactly what your pet looks like.

4. Send/post a picture, description, specific area found, and your contact information to (phone # is important):

BAHShelter@yahoo.com - Bulverde Area Humane Society

rescue@gvtc.com - Animal Rescue Connections

Facebook Pages:

Comal County Lost and Found Pets Bulverde Area Lost and Found Pets Timberwood Park Pets

Stone Oak Pets

NextDoor app

www.Craigslist.org

Ask your HOA if they have a neighborhood contact list and if they will send your flyer.

Comal County Animal Control: 830-608-2016 Bexar County Animal Control: 210-207-6650

City of San Antonio Animal Care Services wants you to go online and look over their photos:

www.sanantonio.gov/Animal-Care/What-We-Do-Services

- 5. Check with local Veterinary clinics in case your pet has been injured and transported to the clinic by a passerby.
- 6. **Place a free ad in the San Antonio Express News**: 210-250-2345. Also, watch the 'Found' ads and respond to any that may possibly be your pet. After a week of wandering, your white poodle may look like a "gray mixed breed'.

Above all, **don't give up searching** for your lost pet after just a few days or even weeks. Your pet may wander for some time before being turned in to a shelter.

Lastly, **microchipping is your first defense** so when you get your pet home have them microchipped. Keep the info current.