

## The Pet Surrender Process

- The pet surrender process, called managed intake, went in to effect in 2017.
- An appointment is required for all pet surrenders; citizens cannot just bring their animals to the shelter for surrender at any time.
- Through this process appointments with citizens are set as needed.
- Through this process, we can maintain a safer shelter, free from overcrowding.
- When we operate over our capacity for care, the number of pets that can receive our full attention decreases. The animals are subjected to more stress, leading to a greater likelihood of disease, and higher potential for negative outcomes.

## The process

- The citizen completes the surrender request form located on our website at the following page; <u>https://www.osceolacountypets.com/our-services/pet-</u>retention/
- Through the form, you will send us information on the animal or animals that you would wish to surrender.
- The shelter will receive a copy of the form and someone will contact you for further details.
- If it is decided that the pet must be surrendered, an appointment will be set. Appointment dates vary.

## Rehome attempt request

We request that you attempt to rehome the animal yourself, if possible. We have assembled a Pet Rehome Resource page to help you with this task. Please click here to visit that resource page.