

**Resources for Animal & Pet Services in Arizona**

Animals can make our lives better in many ways. A strong human-animal relationship helps to reduce isolation, maintain good health, and cope with stress.

The links below are to services found in the 2-1-1 Arizona database. Select a link and then enter your area in the Add a Location field under the Custom Search.

**Animals can provide assistance.** The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) defines a service animal as an animal trained to provide assistance to a person with a disability, such as a seeing eye dog.

* [Service Animals](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=LR-7950&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)

**Animals can provide healing.** Animal assisted therapy involves animals as a form of treatment. It’s designed to improve social and emotional functioning.

# [Animal Assisted Therapy](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=RP-8000.6400&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)

**Animals can also be fun.** Pets can be good company and a great source of entertainment.

**PET ADOPTION RESOURCES:**

* [Animal Adoption](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-7600.0100&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)

**ANIMAL CARE RESOURCES:**

* [Pet Care Information](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-6250.6350&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)
* [Pet Training](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-6250.0750&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)
* [Animal Lost and Found](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-7600.0300&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)

**ANIMAL HEALTH RESOURCES:**

* [Low Cost Neuter/Spay Services](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-9000.6000&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)
* It’s cheaper to fix/sterilize your pet than it is to care for a litter of puppies or kittens.
* Your pet may live a longer, healthier life and be better behaved if they are spayed or neutered.
* It’s kinder. The ASPCA estimates that every year 1.5 million dogs and cats are put to sleep in this country due to overpopulation.
* [Animal Poison Information](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-9000.0150&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)
* [First Aid for Pets Training](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-6250.2000&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)

**GRIEF RESOURCES:**

* [Pet Loss Support Groups](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PN-8100.1000-650&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)

**RESOURCES FOR PET OWNERS IN NEED:**

* [Free Pet Food](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-6250.6600&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)
* [Veterinary Care Expense Assistance](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-9000.9000&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)

**RESOURCES TO HELP OUR ANIMAL FRIENDS:**

* [Animal Food/Supplies Donation Programs](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=TI-1800.0700&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)
* [Animal Services Volunteer Opportunities](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PX-0500&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)

**PETS IN THE ARIZONA SUMMER SUN:**

* Never leave your pets alone in the car. It’s:
	+ Illegal - In Arizona, it’s a class 1 misdemeanor according to [ARS 13-2910](https://www.azleg.gov/ars/13/02910.htm), subsection A, paragraph 7.
	+ Dangerous - The American Veterinary Medical Association [estimates](http://www.avma.org/public/PetCare/Pages/pets-in-vehicles.aspx) that when it’s 85° outside, in just ten minutes it can get to 104° in the car. When it’s 95°, it can get to 114° in that same time. Because cats and dogs do not sweat the way people do, that puts your pet at risk of serious illness and even death.
* At home and about:
	+ **Make sure there is plenty of clean, fresh water.**
	+ **Give them shade.**
	+ Don’t walk or stand with your dog on hot asphalt. If it’s too hot for your hand, it’s too hot for their paws.
* Look for snakes. They are most active from March through October, but can be out at any time.
	+ The best treatment is prevention. Watch where you walk and where you lead your dog to walk. Stay away from brush which could be hiding snakes or other desert creatures.
	+ If you are bitten, get to a hospital.
	+ If your pet is bitten, get them to the veterinarian.

**RESOURCES FOR DIFFICULT ANIMALS:**

* [Snake & Wildlife Rescue/Relocation](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=JD-1500.9600-960&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)
* [Animal Control](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-0700.0400&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)
* [Feral Cat Management Programs](https://arizona.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/component/cpx/index.php?option=com_cpx&task=search.query&advanced=true&search_history_id=-1&all=&any=&none=&zipcode=&range=50&city=&county=&state=&geo_zipcode=&geo_city=&geo_county=&geo_state=&volunteer_query=&wishlist_query=&code=PD-7600.2050&submit=Search&source=eLibrary)

For more information on:

* Animal assisted therapy: [here](http://www.americanhumane.org/publication/therapy-animals-supporting-kids-task-program-manual/), [here](https://www.limaohio.com/news/334293/therapy-dogs-provide-comfort-in-challenging-times?fbclid=IwAR2nRpHmT7WClljMu2QvEV097bPPiNis2_ZL7P_hBdU2oF0KAqONVDe9CB4), and [here](http://www.therapydogs.com/therapy-dogs-2/).
* **Service animals:** [Working Animals or Pets?](https://adata.org/faq/how-can-i-tell-if-animal-really-service-animal-and-not-just-pet)
* Responsible pet [ownership](http://www.avma.org/KB/Policies/Pages/Guidelines-for-Responsible-Pet-Ownership.aspx).
* Hot weather safety tips from: the [Adventure Sports Network](https://www.adventuresportsnetwork.com/outdoor/hiking/5-tips-to-keep-you-and-your-dog-safe-from-snakes-on-the-trail-this-summer/), [ASPCA](https://www.aspca.org/pet-care/general-pet-care/hot-weather-safety-tips), and the [Pet Health Network](http://www.pethealthnetwork.com/dog-health/dog-checkups-preventive-care/our-top-10-summer-safety-tips-dogs).
* Snakes [here](https://www.fs.fed.us/visit/know-before-you-go/snakes) and [here](https://tucson.com/news/science/environment/rattlesnakes-out-and-about-in-southern-arizona-time-to-stay/article_91254955-4df0-584d-bcb5-d245531b882e.html).

SOURCES: ADA National Network; Alliance of Therapy Dogs; American Humane Association; American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA); American Veterinary Medical Association; Arizona Department of Health Services; Arizona State Legislature; Humane Society of the United States; Pet Health Network; Pet Partners; Tucson.Com; United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service; United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Disability Rights Section

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