

Memorandum



Date: October 14, 2015

To: Chief Administrators

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor 

Subject: Anti-Animal Cruelty Task Force

As Mayor of Miami-Dade County, one of my priorities is the welfare of pets. The County has expanded its commitment to community pets over the last few years through the expansion of shelter services, increased funding, and investment in a new shelter that is expected to be completed in early 2016. These services have focused on programs for increasing the amount of pets saved, low-cost spay/neuter services, and programs to keep people and pets together.

I ask you to join the Anti-Animal Cruelty Task Force to help us improve our efforts by supporting the investigation of animal cruelty in your municipality. Miami-Dade County Animal Services Department (ASD) is also coordinating cruelty efforts with the Office of the State Attorney, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and local agencies to further improve its services. These organizations are being invited to participate in the task force as well.

An organizational meeting will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2015, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Training Center, located at 9300 NW 41 Street, Room 2-002, Doral. I invite you to send a representative(s) to partake in this meeting. Please provide the name(s) of your representative(s) to Ms. Alba Vargas by calling (305)418-7188 or via email at vargasa@miamidade.gov.

If you have any questions, please contact ASD Director Alex Muñoz at (305)418-7188, or me directly.

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