

Lost, Found & Stray Animal Resources

Crestwood Animal Shelter

IMPORTANT: Crestwood Animal Shelter does not accept stray, lost, or feral/community cats or kittens. Use this guide for next steps and St. Louis-area resources. Intake policies and capacity can change, so contact an organization before transporting an animal.

If Your Pet Is Lost

Search nearby right away. Check the area where your pet was last seen, including places they could be hiding or trapped. Ask neighbors to look on their property.

Update the microchip company. Confirm that your contact information is current and report your pet as lost to the microchip registry.

Use STL Lost Pets. [Search found pets and submit a Lost Pet Report](#). The site is a collaboration of the APA, Humane Society of Missouri, and St. Louis County Animal Care & Control.

Post where local people will see it. Share a clear photo, where the pet was last seen, and a reliable way to contact you.

[Nextdoor](#) - post in your local area

[STL MO Lost & Found Paws on Facebook](#)

[APA Lost & Found](#)

If You Found a Pet

Look for identification. Check for a collar or ID tag and ask nearby neighbors whether they recognize the animal.

Have the animal scanned for a microchip. A veterinary clinic or animal welfare organization can scan the animal and help identify the microchip company if one is present.

Post a found report. Use STL Lost Pets and local neighborhood or lost-and-found groups. Check lost reports for a possible match.

If the animal needs shelter placement, call first. The organizations below have different service areas, intake rules, and available space.

St. Louis-Area Animal Resources

APA Adoption Center | [\(314\) 645-4610](#) | [Website](#)

Lost-and-found resources, shelter services, and community-cat/TNR information.

Humane Society of Missouri | [\(314\) 647-8800](#) | [Website](#)

Main St. Louis City location and animal-welfare services.

Stray Rescue of St. Louis | [\(314\) 771-6121](#) | [Website](#)

Primarily assists stray or injured dogs and cats within St. Louis City limits. It does not accept owner surrenders or drop-offs.

Open Door Animal Sanctuary | [\(636\) 671-3643](#) | [Website](#)

House Springs, Missouri. Call to ask about current intake options and availability.

If You Found a Feral or Community Cat

Crestwood Animal Shelter does not intake feral/community cats. For healthy community cats, the APA recommends Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR): the cat is humanely trapped, spayed or neutered, vaccinated, ear-tipped, and returned to the location where it was found.

[APA Community Cat / Lost & Found Information](#)

[Crestwood Animal Shelter Low-Cost Spay/Neuter & Vet Care Resources](#)

If You Found Kittens

Do not assume kittens have been abandoned. Mother cats may leave for several hours to find food. If the kittens appear safe, watch from a distance to see whether the mother returns.

If kittens are injured, ill, cold, or clearly orphaned, seek help promptly.

Very young kittens (neonates) require round-the-clock care and specialized feeding.

SNUGGLE Pet Rescue | [\(636\) 229-2796](#) | [Website](#)

Specializes in orphaned and special-needs neonatal kittens and puppies. SNUGGLE does not pick up animals; contact them before transporting a baby animal.

[APA guidance for found kittens](#) - includes what to do while determining whether the mother is still caring for them

If Shelters Are Full

Shelter capacity changes frequently, especially during kitten season. If you are able to keep the animal safely while you continue looking for the owner or an intake option, temporary care can give the animal more time.

Keep a list of the organizations you contact and follow up as directed.

Ask whether an online intake or surrender form is required and whether there is a better day or time to check for openings.

For a mother cat with kittens, keep the family safely indoors and together while you seek placement or reputable foster-care guidance.

[Low-cost spay/neuter and veterinary-care resources](#) are available on the Crestwood Animal Shelter website.

Quick Online Resources

[STL Lost Pets](#) - lost reports, found pets, and St. Louis-area resources

[APA Lost & Found](#) - lost-pet steps, found-pet steps, kittens, and community cats

[Nextdoor](#) - neighborhood posting

[STL MO Lost & Found Paws on Facebook](#) - regional lost/found community group

Please verify before you go. Phone numbers and service descriptions in this guide were checked against official organization websites on August 28, 2026. Shelter capacity, intake rules, and program availability can change without notice.

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