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Pasco Animal Services Named National ‘Agency of the Year’

~~Top recognition for progressive approach to animal care and control~~

LAND O’ LAKES, FL ---- [Pasco County Animal Services](#) (PCAS) is proud to be named **Outstanding Animal Care & Control Agency for 2021** by the [National Animal Care & Control Association](#) (NACA). This award comes as PCAS continues to have one of the highest save rates for dogs in Florida at 97%!

“PCAS has come a long way over the years, and we are proud to see our many achievements recognized on the national level,” said PCAS Director Mike Shumate. “We’re thankful to NACA for this award, which was made possible through the dedication, compassion, hard work and talent of our team, including volunteers and community partners.”

The selection criteria for this award includes:

- Personnel Training
- Public Education
- Community Involvement
- Animal Control Response Times



This year, PCAS progressively shifted our focus to keeping more people with their pets. We are now a Tier 1 Shelter with the [Human Animal Support Services](#) coalition and have developed several new programs, including a public pet food pantry, one-time medical expense fund and boarding for pets of people facing housing insecurity.

The Pasco County Animal Services Department is dedicated to promoting and protecting the health, safety and welfare of animals and people. For more information, including a full list of programs and services, please visit our website at: MyPasco.net/PAS.

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