



City of Monterey Park News Release

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Field Enforcement of Pet Licenses Begins April 29

To avoid penalties, residents should license dogs with LA County Animal Care and Control. Monterey Park residents can attend a convenient licensing clinic on Saturday, April 11 at George Elder Park

Monterey Park, Calif. – April 7, 2015 - Officers from the County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control (DACC) will be conducting field licensing enforcement in the [City of Monterey Park](#) beginning on Wednesday, April 29, 2015. Field enforcement efforts are designed to ensure that residents' dogs (mandatory) and cats (voluntary) are in compliance with licensing requirements. California State law requires that all dogs over the age of four months be vaccinated against rabies and be licensed. Beginning January 1, 2014, puppies may be vaccinated at three months old, but still are not required to be vaccinated until four months of age. Securing a dog or cat license is essential to assisting animal control agencies if a pet becomes lost.

The licensing fees for Monterey Park residents are as follows:

- Unaltered dog: \$40
- Altered dog: \$20
- Altered dog belonging to a senior citizen (60+): \$0 (one altered dog per household) City Police Department will assist with the registration of altered dogs belonging to senior citizens.
- Unaltered cat: \$10 (Voluntary registration)
- Altered cat: \$5 (Voluntary registration)
- Penalty fee: Equal to the license fee.

To assist Monterey Park residents in obtaining licenses, MPPD will be holding a low cost licensing, vaccination and microchip clinic on Saturday, April 11 from 8-11 a.m. at George Elder Park. Please see the [calendar section of the city website](#) for details

Pet owners are advised to be in compliance with the licensing ordinance. Residents not in compliance will be subject to license fees and delinquency charges, including a \$40 field enforcement fee, to offset the cost of the Department's field services. In order to avoid penalties, be sure to license your dog. You can secure a new dog license by printing the application online at <http://animalcare.lacounty.gov>, or visiting your local County animal care center. If your license is not delinquent, you can also renew it through the Internet.

There are six Los Angeles County Animal Care Centers with locations in Downey, Baldwin Park, Carson, Castaic, Lancaster and Agoura Hills, plus the Antelope Valley Adoption Center, located in Lancaster. For many Monterey Park residents, the closest center is Downey at 11258 South Garfield Avenue, Downey, CA 90242.

For more information about LA County animal control field enforcement please call their general information line at 562-728-4882; visit www.animalcare.lacounty.gov or www.facebook.com/CountyofLosAngelesAnimalCare; or contact Monterey Park Police Lt. Steve Coday at 626-307-1243.

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