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Cambridge and District Humane Society Takes on Animal Control for the City of Cambridge

Cambridge, Ontario. March 18, 2011...The Cambridge and District Humane Society (CDHS), 1650 Dunbar Road, will offer animal control services on behalf of the city beginning Monday, March 28th.

The fee for service agreement, with a term of five years, is expected to save the city a significant amount per annum.

The new 'Animal Services' operations at CDHS will operate between 8:00 am and 5:30 pm and offer all of the services that the city currently provides such as patrol services, dog tags and data collection. Members of the public can call (519) 623-6323 for more information and to report things like animals running at large or to arrange for trap rentals, for example.

"There were already significant historical linkages with CDHS and through our corporate services review we were able to bring forward ideas that would result in trimming the budget while enhancing the animal control services for the public," says George Elliott, Commissioner of Transportation and Public Works, the department responsible for current service delivery.

The Cambridge and District Humane Society is already under contract with the city to provide dangerous/potentially dangerous dog support, tags and pound services. The new 'Animal Services' operations will bring together all of these related needs under one umbrella for the convenience of the public.

Dog Tags Changes

The city and humane society currently partner on the delivery of the dog tag program and this will continue until October 31, 2011 to finish up with the current year services. Currently citizens may purchase dog tags at Cambridge City Hall, 50 Dickson Street; The Public Works main offices, 1310 Bishop Street; and the Cambridge City Pound, 1660 Dunbar Road. As of November 5th, all dog tag sales will move over to the 'Animal Services' operations and will only be available for purchase through the Cambridge City Pound.

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The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in Southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2010, the population was over 130,000 people with a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services. Cambridge has a diverse economic base with leading industries in manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. It's about choice, options and value when you become part of the community.

You meet the nicest people in Cambridge. It's a place that understands all about coming together. There is so much more to Cambridge than the beautiful lands created at the convergence of two rivers or its logistically perfect location in the heart of Ontario's economic corridor. Cambridge is the coming together of people from diverse, close-knit and proud communities. The people of Cambridge 'do the right thing' by respecting history, family values, a sound work ethic, the arts, environment and advancement. A young city, Cambridge is a master of balancing the excitement and promise of the new with the historical significance and stability of the old. A place where coming together is just the start. Uniting together is what sets Cambridge apart. Undiscovered-Cambridge families and entrepreneurs get more for less, and sacrifice nothing.

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