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City Receives Two Positive Tests for Rabies

CROWLEY, Texas - Crowley Animal Services has removed two skunks from the 800 block of Meadowview Drive in the last three weeks, and both tested positive for the rabies virus.

Please ensure your pets are current on the rabies vaccine, and if they are not, get them vaccinated as soon as possible as the rabies virus is a zoonotic disease that can be transmitted from animal to person. If your pet is not currently vaccinated and comes into contact with a rabid skunk, coyote, raccoon, fox or bat then he or she is at risk of contracting the virus.

Please supervise your pets when they are outdoors as much as you can and make sure they are current on their vaccines. If there is any exposure to one of the above listed animals, please contact Crowley Animal Services immediately at 817-297-5160. If it is after hours, please call 817-297-2276 and press 1.

For information about the rabies virus, visit <https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/idcu/disease/rabies>.

You may get your pets vaccinated with any veterinarian or visit a low-cost clinic. The Texas Coalition for Animal Protection (TCAP), located at 344 SW Wilshire Blvd E, Burleson, TX 76028, provides vaccines at a lower cost Monday-Friday from 9-12 p.m., and no appointment needed. The rabies vaccine costs \$5.