



# CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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With the warm weather months comes an increase in the number of cats and kittens brought to the City of Chico Animal Shelter. While the Butte Humane Society tries to find homes for as many as they can, that still leaves quite a few at the shelter. Currently there are over 100 cats and kittens at the shelter, and the City of Chico has many cats and kittens available for adoption right now.

“Adopting from the City of Chico Animal Shelter makes a difference for two animals,” says Animal Services Manager Tracy Mohr, “the one you adopt, and the one you’ve just made room for. We don’t euthanize for space, and we have been successful in treating minor illnesses like upper respiratory, minimizing the number of cats euthanized for illness. We’ve even had success finding homes for what might be considered more difficult to place animals. What this means is that animals stay at the shelter longer than the required five day hold period, which in turn means more animals at the shelter at any given time. But there is only so much room. Right now I am sharing my office with 13 cats and a rabbit!”

The adoption fee for a cat or kitten is \$37.50 and includes first vaccinations, a health screening, FELV test, worming (kittens), flea treatment when necessary, and a microchip. The adopter is responsible for having the pet spayed/neutered and a Rabies vaccination if needed. There are several adult cats that came into the shelter already spayed or neutered that are available for adoption as well.

To see just a small sample of animals available for adoption at the City of Chico Animal Shelter, please visit the City of Chico Animal Shelter’s website at [www.chicoanimalshelter.org](http://www.chicoanimalshelter.org) and click on the Adoptable Animals tab.

To see the available animals in person, visit the City of Chico Animal Shelter seven days a week. The shelter opens at 12:00 Noon and is open until 6:00 PM every day, except Monday and Thursday, when it is open until 7:00 PM.

For more information, please visit our website or call 530-894-5630.

See our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/ChicoAnimalShelter>.

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