

Residents are encouraged to telephone Animal Control Officer Jim Wang, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., with questions or concerns. Any other time of day or night the Westlake Police Department will assist residents with lost or stray animal concerns.

Call 440-871-3311 anytime for assistance. We want to help you find your pet.



All dogs must wear a current rabies tag and a Cuyahoga County Dog License on its collar. Licenses can be obtained online www.auditor.cuyahogacounty.us/doglicense or at the following Westlake locations: Drug Mart, Landmark, Detroit-Dover Animal Hospital and Pet Supplies Plus.

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A WORD about TNR
(Trap, Neuter & Release)

Although some feel that TNR works in managing the wild cat population, the city of Westlake does not support the policy. Wild cats cannot be released in a highly populated area as Westlake. The city must consider the health and safety of its citizens.

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With the assistance of local rescue organizations, stray dogs and cats are adopted out after a waiting period of at least 3 days. During that waiting time, the animal's picture is posted on signage around Westlake in hope of finding its owner. A picture of the animal is often posted at www.petfinders.com. Any animal that is adopted from the Westlake City Kennel is first fully examined by the Westlake Animal Hospital.



Westlake City Kennel
27300 Hilliard Blvd.
(440) 871-3311 (ext. 263)



The Westlake City Kennel is located in the Westlake Police Department. It is a 72-hour kennel facility for lost and stray pets. The kennel has been completely remodeled with the newest and most modern equipment for the comfort and safe-keeping of the animals that visit the kennel.

The Westlake City Kennel is a member of Petfinders.com.

Summertime Tips for Safe & Health Pet Care

- Most dogs love to ride in the car, but leaving a dog in a closed vehicle for even a few minutes could cause major heat stroke and dehydration.
- Remember that dogs and cats cannot be permitted to roam outside of their own yard.
- Protect your dogs and cats by having them wear a collar with ID tags.
- The Westlake Codified Ordinances state that you must keep your dogs on a leash when going for walks.
- The Westlake Codified Ordinances also state: be kind to your neighbor and pick up any droppings.
- Take your pet for yearly exams with his vet. Keep vaccinations current.

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All household dogs and cats should wear an identification tag on their collar in case they get lost. Pet owners are notified immediately when a pet is found roaming a neighborhood.

Animal Control Officer Jim Wang is working with a group of Westlake residents in programs that will educate the children and adults of Westlake in the best ways to care for pets. Subjects include spaying and neutering animals, ensuring vaccinations, and safe practices when encountering a stray animal.

ALWAYS CONTACT ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER WANG WHEN ENCOUNTERING A STRAY ANIMAL

Please call the Westlake Police Department when your pet gets lost. We want to help you find your pet as soon as possible.



Some animals will appear to be docile, but when approached by a human could possibly bite or scratch. Wild cats (also known as feral cats) can spread diseases to people and pets. Their feces create sight, smell, and contact nuisance. Do not attempt to approach any strange or stray animals. Call the Animal Control Officer immediately. A feral cat must be treated like any other wild animal. Staff at the Lake Erie Nature & Science Center note, "The number one cause of injury to animals in our rehab center is free-roaming cat attacks."