

Jurisdictional Scan: Mill Rate Support & Licensing Fees 2017

	Vancouver	Edmonton	Regina*	Calgary**	Toronto	Hamilton***	Mississauga	Winnipeg****
Municipal animal services organization	Vancouver Animal Services	Edmonton Animal Care & Control	Regina Animal Protection Services	Calgary Animal Services	Toronto Animal Services	Hamilton Animal Control	Mississauga Animal Services	Animal Services Agency
Number of Dog Parks	36 off-leash dog areas	41 off-leash Parks for Paws (1 closed indefinitely due to slumping)	1 year-round off-leash park & 5 seasonal off-leash dog areas (May 1-September 30, 4pm-11pm schooldays, 6am-11pm non schooldays)	150 off-leash dog areas	64 off-leash dog areas	6 off-leash dog parks and 5 free running areas	8 leash-free dog parks Note: Leash-Free Mississauga, a volunteer-run, member-funded organization, is responsible for costs associated with maintaining and overseeing the day to day operations of the leash-free dog parks, as well as capital costs of establishing any new leash-free parks. Membership is optional and cost \$15 for one dog and \$20 for 2 or more dogs.	10 off-leash dog areas
Governmental veterinary clinic?	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Governmental animal shelter?	Yes; houses dogs only. Cats are housed by BC SPCA.	Yes; houses stray dogs and cats	Yes; houses stray dogs and cats	Yes; houses stray dogs and cats	Yes; houses stray animals including cats, dogs, rabbits, birds, rodents, reptiles, and injured wildlife.		Yes; houses dogs, cats, and other animals (rabbits, birds, reptiles, etc.)	Yes; houses dogs, exotics, commercial animals.
Annual licensing fee: Dogs (spayed / neutered)	\$42	\$36	\$25 (reduced fee also applies to puppies under 6 months and show dogs)	\$38	\$25	\$33 (fee subsidies available for seniors or those on government disability pension)	\$20 (fee subsidies available for seniors)	\$37
Annual licensing fee: Dogs (non-S/N)	\$42	\$76	\$100	\$62	\$60	\$69	\$45	\$72
Annual licensing fee: Cats (spayed / neutered)	no program	\$21	\$20 (reduced fee also applies to kittens under 6 months and show cats)	\$18	\$15	no program (Owners are encouraged to register cats for one-time \$13 fee)	\$20	\$15
Annual licensing fee: Cats (non-S/N)	no program	\$76	\$100	\$36	\$50	no program	\$45	\$50
Annual mill rate support for animal sheltering operations		\$2,900,000 43.3%		-\$1,479,000 \$1.479M net mill rate contribution	\$3,841,300 53.1%		\$1,244,500 50.0%	
Annual mill rate support for all other animal services-related operations (licensing, compliance, etc.)		\$3,800,000 56.7%		\$5,000,000	\$3,382,400 46.8%		\$1,244,500 50.0%	
Total annual mill rate support for Animal Services operations ¹	\$2,000,000	\$6,700,001		\$3,521,000	\$7,233,600	\$2,618,050	\$2,489,000	\$1,319,574
Grants reducing total annual mill rate support	\$11,700 Aminal Welfare grant; all non-profit rescues can apply	\$650,000 Grant to Edmonton Humane Society to rehome animals not claimed by owners at governmental shelter; \$4 from every dog license and \$2 from every cat license	\$1,356,116 Funding in a number of areas i.e. subsidized spay/neuter program, animal services (impound/animal control), education grant and licensing.	Grant to the Calgary Humane Society (1 year agreement)	None		None	\$652,273 Grant to Winnipeg Humane Society * An additional \$176,665 was awarded for cat s/n programming. These funds were from cat licensing revenues.

Net annual mill rate support for Animal Services operations ²	\$1,988,300	\$6,050,001	\$2,082,475	\$3,521,000	\$7,233,600	\$2,618,050	\$2,489,000	\$667,301
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1. Mill rate support identified here represents net support dollars. Amounts shown reflect the balance of mill rate support left for municipal-based operations once operational funding has been distributed directly from the mill rate support base to local, non-municipal animal services departments/agencies.

* 100% of the Regina Animal Services budget is provided to the Regina Humane Society, who is the contracted external service provide for animal control and protection in Regina. 35% of funding is allocated towards capital projects; 65% is for operations.

** Due to lack of response, Calgary amounts drawn from Calgary Action Plan 2015-2018 and media accounts.

*** Due to lack of response, Hamilton budget numbers pulled from previous year's review (2016).

**Winnipeg amount includes funding for enforcement portion of operation.

