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Press Release: Johnson County – Animal Services Request for Proposal

Johnson County is requesting proposals from all interested and qualified public, non-profit, entities or private firms, to establish a contract for animal shelter operations for 2023 with proposals due November 1, 2022.

Since 2021, the County has contracted for the administration and operation of animal care and shelter services in a joint agreement among the City of Warrensburg and Warrensburg Animal Rescue. The City of Warrensburg owns the buildings and grounds on which the animal shelter is located, and Warrensburg Animal Rescue has provided administration and operations. The current contract for these services is set to expire on December 31, 2022.

Johnson County continually reviews all contractual agreements in an ongoing effort to be good stewards of taxpayer dollars. The County has reached out to the Warrensburg Animal Rescue leadership and notified them of the current proposal process to welcome their participation.

A request for proposal or RFP process is different than a competitive bid request. The Animal Shelter Operations RFP is based on the qualifications, expertise, past performance and efficiencies of the respondents, not just low bid.

The Animal Shelter Operations RFP is available on the Johnson County website at: <u>www.jococourthouse.com/bids.html</u> For more information, please contact Johnson County Clerk, Diane Thompson at 660-747-6161 or Presiding Commissioner Allen at (660) 747-2112