Got Mice?  
**Feral Cats Will Work for Food**

County Animal Services is seeking homes for feral cats received in the three community animal shelters. Feral cats are cats that are not socialized and have reverted to a more “wild” state. These cats are not adoptable to the normal household environment.

Animal Services is looking for citizens that can provide safe ranch, warehouse, or barn homes for these working cats. All cats are spayed or neutered, up to date with their vaccines, and given an overall health check. A yard check and instructions on how to acclimate the cats to their new home will be provided.

These cats are accustomed to foraging for their food and in many cases prove to be very good at rodent control. Although feral cats are not accustomed to human contact, they can build a bond with the people who are caring for them. Ideal homes should have a barn or shelter for the cats to be protected from the elements as well as predators. Caretakers need to be willing to feed the cats’ everyday and provide them with basic needs.

The number of feral cats entering shelters increases in spring when breeding activities are at their peak. Feral cats do not do well confined in a shelter setting and must be relocated as soon as possible. Animal Services is calling on our community to help us provide for these hardworking cats.

For more information on the feral cat adoption program please contact Stacy Silva at 805-934-6981.

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