

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN MONTAGUE COUNTY, TEXAS AND
MONTAGUE COUNTY ANIMAL RESCUE**

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) made the ____ day of _____, 2025 by and between Montague County, Texas (hereinafter "Montague"), a governmental entity, and Montague County Animal Rescue, 501c3 (hereinafter "Animal Rescue"), non-profit organization, for the purpose of establishing an animal shelter and providing associated animal rescue services for Montague County, Texas.

I. TERM

The term of this MOU is one (1) year. The term shall begin on the date this MOU is executed by all parties and expire one (1) year from that date. The term of this MOU may be extended for a one (1) year term with the express written agreement of each party. This MOU may be terminated by either party without cause with ninety (90) days written notice to the other party.

II. OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this MOU is to establish an animal shelter for Montague County, Texas. Said shelter shall provide services associated with animal shelters, including but not limited to housing and maintaining stray and/or abandoned animals.

III. AGREEMENT

Montague agrees to furnish real property located at 704 FM 455, Montague, TX as the facility for the shelter. Montague shall furnish the associated utilities at the shelter facility, as well as maintain the roadway for access to the shelter facility. Montague agrees to provide an Animal Control Officer employed by the Montague County Sheriff's Office, including a vehicle equipped for transporting animals.

Animal Rescue agrees to provide shelter personnel. Animal Rescue agrees to establish basic policy and procedures for shelter operations. Animal Rescue agrees to coordinate, manage and supervise shelter volunteers.

IV. LAW

The construction, validity, performance, and effect of this MOU will be governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

V. NOTICE

All notices shall be in writing and addressed to:

To Montague County:

Office of the County Judge
P.O. Box 475
Montague, Texas 76251

To Montague County Animal Rescue:

VI. AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURES

We the undersigned agree as to the terms and conditions of this Memorandum of Understanding.

Kevin Benton, County Judge
Montague County, Texas

Melody Gillespie
Montague County Animal Rescue, 501c3