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*****Englewood Code Enforcement State Animal Control Agency of the Year*****

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Englewood, CO - The Englewood Police Department is pleased to announce that the Colorado Association of Animal Control Officers (CAACO) has awarded the Englewood Code Enforcement and Animal Welfare Division the prestigious honor as the 2019 Colorado State Animal Control Agency of the Year.

Endorsed by the Colorado Association of Animal Control Officers, the week of April 14 – 20, 2019 celebrates and promotes professionalism amongst animal care and control professionals. This week, the Englewood Police Department gives special recognition to our Code Enforcement Officers. In addition to their code enforcement duties, Englewood Police Code Enforcement Officers handle animal control for the City of Englewood. They protect and educate the public, while ensuring the welfare of animals and wildlife.

In 2018, Englewood Police Code Enforcement Officers responded to approximately 1,093 calls for animal-related service in our city. The Englewood Police Department recognizes the important role of these team members and their dedication to protecting the health and welfare of our community members and their animal friends.

The Englewood Police Department also recognizes the hard-working staff and volunteers of the Humane Society of the South Platte Valley. The HSSPV team provides continued support and quality care to Englewood animals through essential rescue, shelter, and adoption services to include low cost spay/neuter clinics along with low cost vaccinations.

The Englewood Police Department is honored to work with the Humane Society of the South Platte Valley, and we thank them for their contributions to our community. The Code Enforcement Division is being recognized for their outstanding commitment to collaboration with not only the community but with multiple Colorado state and local agencies. The Code Enforcement Division exemplifies what it means to be a professional animal law enforcement agency with improved training, enhanced community outreach, excellence in officer response for service and overall positive promotion of the industry.

“The Code Enforcement Division strives to find new creative and improved ways to support citizens and their animals. This is a team achievement that spans multiple Englewood City Departments and outside agencies. Our success is because of our strong collaborative partnerships.” **Dave Lewis, Code Enforcement Supervisor**

“The best thing about working with the Englewood Code Enforcement team is their willingness to always be available. Their strong commitment to the wellbeing of animals along with the health and safety of the community is a huge benefit to Englewood. The high level of follow-up and personal involvement with every animal speaks to the amazingly kind and companionate character each member of the Code Enforcement team embodies. We are so proud to call them our partner.” **Stephanie Arms, Operations Director of the Humane Society of the South Platte Valley**

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