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February 2, 2023

To: NECCOG Animal Services Participants  
From: John Filchak, NECCOG Executive Director

**RE: FY 24 Animal Services Program Assessments**

Attached please find the 2023 - 2024 assessments for NECCOG's Animal Services program. As you will see, the assessment has been raised from \$3.30 per capita to \$3.75 per capita - a 13.63% increase. While we try to avoid any increase, circumstances dictate otherwise. Our veterinarian costs, fuel for vehicles, electricity for our kennels, heating costs and personnel costs have all exceeded our forecasts - driving the need for this increase. Of all of these costs, our veterinarian costs have been the most unanticipated increase and we now see no evidence that those costs will diminish. The NECCOG board did review this increase at their most recent meeting on January 27th and while no formal vote was taken - no objection as raised to the increase.

I do want to add that our commitment to making this 247/365 program work for you in an effective (for people and animals) cost-efficient manner remains strong. Last year we conducted nearly 1,500 investigations and adopted or repatriated more than 850 animals - which takes our total to more than 12,500 since we began this program - placing 100% of the animals that could be placed.

Should you wish to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

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## Animal Services Program Assessments

Program Participant	2021 Est. Population	Current	Proposed Change	
		Per Capita Assessment @ \$3.30	Per Capita Assessment @ \$3.75/13.63% Increase	\$ Increase
Andover	3,133	\$10,339	\$11,749	\$1,410
Bozrah	2,417	\$7,976	\$9,064	\$1,088
Brooklyn	8,488	\$28,010	\$31,830	\$3,820
Canterbury	5,060	\$16,698	\$18,975	\$2,277
Chaplin	2,143	\$7,072	\$8,036	\$964
Colchester	15,501	\$51,153	\$58,129	\$6,976
Franklin	1,862	\$6,145	\$6,983	\$838
Griswold	11,407	\$37,643	\$42,776	\$5,133
Hampton	1,728	\$5,702	\$6,480	\$778
Killingly	17,742	\$58,549	\$66,533	\$7,984
Lebanon	7,108	\$23,456	\$26,655	\$3,199
Lisbon	4,198	\$13,853	\$15,743	\$1,890
Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation	238	\$785	\$893	\$108
Norwich	40,014	\$132,046	\$150,053	\$18,007
Pomfret	4,271	\$14,094	\$16,016	\$1,922
Putnam	9,227	\$30,449	\$34,601	\$4,152
Scotland	1,568	\$5,174	\$5,880	\$706
Sprague	2,950	\$9,735	\$11,063	\$1,328
Sterling	3,577	\$11,804	\$13,414	\$1,610
Union	781	\$2,577	\$2,929	\$352
Voluntown	2,554	\$8,428	\$9,578	\$1,150
Woodstock	8,221	\$27,129	\$30,829	\$3,700
<b>Total</b>	<b>154,188</b>	<b>\$508,820</b>	<b>\$578,206</b>	<b>\$69,392</b>