Did you know?

- There are over 35 parks on Mercer Island
- Mercer Island has approximately 476 acres of parks and open space, over 300+ acres of which is open space
- The City offers two designated off-leash areas (OLA’s), located at Luther Burbank Park and Wildwood Park
- 1,358 = # of licensed dogs on Mercer Island (2005)
- 27% = % of licensed dogs of all estimated dogs on Mercer Island
- $25,830 = 2005 Mercer Island dog license revenue to King County
- 275 = Approximate number of pooper scooper bags used per day (over 100,000 per year) in Mercer Island’s park system.
- 1988 = Year the City of Mercer Island’s current Animal Control Ordinance was adopted
- 1980 = Year the City contracted with King County for Animal Control services

Each day 7 King County field officers and 1 sergeant patrol a service area that includes over 34 cities and extends over 2,200 square miles. The service area population is over 1 million residents. Field services are provided 24 hours, 7 days per week. Officers are on duty from 7am to 7pm daily with emergency services provided at other times by 2 on-call officers.

King County Animal Control provides the following services to over 34 cities:

Field Services:

- vicious animal complaints
- cruelty investigations
- animal bites
- injured animal rescues
- "Dead-on-arrival"
  - wildlife/livestock/cats/dogs
- pet license sales
- police department calls for assistance options

Shelter Services:

- shelter and care of lost dogs and cats
- shelter of owner released animals
- coordination of shelter foster/rescue program
- pet adoptions
- care/behavior
- Domestic Violence Agencies Assistance
- owner requested euthanasias of pets
- redemption of impounded pets to owners

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