

NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 27, 2014

Media Contact:

Scott Packard, Public Information Officer

(830) 386-2590 (o)

(830)560-6270 (c)

SPackard@seguintexas.gov



Two New Trucks Benefit Seguin Animal Services ***Animal Control Units Include Improved Features***

SEGUIN, Texas – Two new animal control units will allow Seguin Animal Services to better answer calls for service and provide more comfortable transportation for animals.

“It’s important that we have reliable, fully-equipped vehicles in order to properly respond to calls for service in the field,” Seguin Animal Services Supervisor Leah Lewis said. “These two new trucks include several features that benefit us and the animals.”

Each ¾ ton Ford truck has six animal compartments, a pull-out ramp, ventilation system, sloped floor drainage and LED compartment lighting.

“The ventilation system helps keep the animals cool by having a constant flow of air moving through the compartments,” Lewis continued. “The pull-out ramp is great for loading and unloading animals. It allows us to walk the animal in and out of compartments instead of having to physically lift them.”

The floors of the animal control units slope toward the center of the vehicles, allowing waste and fresh water to collect at the rear of the compartments. A drain channel carries the waste out of the compartments to a drain under the rear of the vehicle.

“The sloped drainage system makes cleaning the vehicles much easier,” Lewis continued. “The compartmental lighting is also very beneficial for emergency calls in the dark.”

The first truck went into service this week and the other is being fitted with accessories and will be in use soon. Seguin Animal Services will continue to use two of its older trucks.



About the City of Seguin

Seguin, Texas is located off Interstate 10, about 35 miles east of San Antonio. Seguin is big enough to boast a top-rated university and a state-of-the-art hospital. More than 25,000 residents enjoy a range of cultural, recreational and employment opportunities. Seguin's robust diversified economy features a steelmaker, a manufacturer of automotive parts and plants making roadside mowing equipment and building materials. In 2009, Seguin was proud to be selected by Caterpillar as the site of a major new engine manufacturing facility.

###