

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**No scaredy-cats this Halloween**

We all know how scary the ghoulish goblins and creepy critters of Halloween celebrations can be. If they scare us, imagine how our dogs and cats feel. The Humane Society of Southern Arizona would like to remind you to keep pets safe and calm for the Halloween celebrations.

Here are some tips for you to keep in mind for this All Hallows' Eve.

- **No tricks! No Treats!** Halloween candy and treats are for humans! Candy, especially chocolate, can be toxic to our pets. If you would like to include your pet on Halloween fun, be sure to have some yummy pet treats set aside.
- **Trick-or-treat safely** - If you take your pet trick-or-treating, be sure to keep them close to you on a leash and that they are wearing reflective wear.
- **Home Sweet Home** - If you are keeping your pet at home and will be getting trick-or-treaters be sure to keep your pets in a separate room. This prevents them from bolting out the door or potentially hurting a child.
- **If they're inside they thrive!** - Keep all pets indoors to prevent them from being harmed or endangered by pranksters.
- **ID for me!** - Be sure your pet has proper identification! This includes microchip and a well-fitted collar with tags.



If your pet becomes lost, immediately call the HSSA's Lost and Found Department at 327-6088, ext. 111, and Pima Animal Care Center at 743-5900 to file a lost report and obtain information on conducting an effective search. Also be sure to visit each shelter every day to look for your pet in person.