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DICKSON HOUSING AUTHORITY MEMORANDUM

TO: All Residents
FROM: Dickson Housing Authority
DATE: August 31, 2026
RE: Feeding Stray Cats & Other Animals

Dickson Housing Authority (DHA) is asking all residents to **stop feeding stray cats or other animals on DHA property.**

Residents are specifically reminded:

- **Do not place bowls, plates, containers, or other food outside for stray cats or other animals.**
- **Do not throw food scraps, leftovers, pet food, or other food onto porches, sidewalks, grassy areas, or around buildings.**
- **Do not leave pet food outside unattended.**
- Food and water containers for approved household pets must not be left outside where they may attract stray or wild animals.

While residents may have good intentions when feeding stray cats, leaving food outside creates additional problems for the entire community. Food attracts not only cats, but also **raccoons, opossums, rodents, insects, and other pests.** It can also contribute to odors, unsanitary conditions, animal waste, increased stray animal populations, and conflicts between animals.

Food scraps thrown onto the ground also interfere with DHA's efforts to maintain clean grounds and effectively control rodents, insects, and other pests.

Effective immediately, residents must remove all outdoor food bowls, feeding containers, and food scraps from DHA property and discontinue feeding stray animals.

Please help us maintain a clean, sanitary, and safe environment for all residents. Continued violations may result in a written lease or policy violation notice.

Thank you for your immediate cooperation.

Dickson Housing Authority