



Take proactive measures to prevent the attraction of wildlife, such as coyotes, skunks, opossums, bobcats and feral cats by following these safety tips:

- **Set out trash the morning of collection.**
- **Store pet food and feed pets indoors. Bring in or discard leftover pet food if feeding pets outside.**
- **Don't feed wild animals including birds, squirrels, feral cats and coyotes.**
- **Pick ripe fruit from trees and gardens. Remove fallen fruit from the ground.**
- **Use noise-making devices if a coyote is seen.**
- **Keep pets inside. Walk pets on a leash and accompany them outside, especially at night.**
- **Remove wood piles and brush. Trim overgrown landscaping.**
- **Cap chimneys and repair any holes in attics.**

Following these simple tips will allow residents and urban wildlife to co-exist. For more information regarding urban wildlife, visit DFW Wildlife Coalition at dfwwildlife.org or call (972) 234-9453.



Call Irving Animal Services if a wild animal is ill, injured, in distress or shows aggression to humans at (972) 721-2256.

