

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES



TO: The Honorable Saud Anwar, Chair
The Honorable Liz Linehan, Chair
The Honorable Henri Martin, Ranking Member
The Honorable Anne Dauphinais, Ranking Member
Distinguished Members of the Committee on Children

FROM: Vanessa Dorantes, Commissioner
Department of Children and Families

DATE: January 7, 2020

SUBJECT: Annual Report Concerning Actual or Suspected Instance of Animal Neglect or Cruelty, C.G.S. § 17a-110c

I am pleased to submit the 2020 Annual Report Concerning Actual or Suspected Instance of Animal Neglect or Cruelty as required under C.G.S. section 17a-110c.

Between January 1, 2020, and December 31, 2020, The Department of Children and Families has received a total of one hundred and twenty (120) written reports from the Department of Agriculture. Of the one hundred and twenty (120) reports received, thirty (30) had histories with DCF and two (2) reports met the standard for an abuse/neglect investigation based on the initial information provided in the written report.

In addition, I'm attaching a de-identified summary of the reports received, by month, for your review.

Should you need any additional information, please feel free to contact Lisa Daymonde, Director of Careline Operations at: 860-560-7001 or Lisa.Daymonde@CT.GOV.

cc: Commissioner Bryan P. Hurlburt, Department of Agriculture
Lisa Daymonde
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| Month | Reports Received | Open Case | Prior DCF History | Reports that Met Standard for Investigation |
|--------------|------------------|-----------|-------------------|---|
| January | 11 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| February | 7 | 1 | 2 | |
| March | 3 | 1 | 1 | |
| April | 15 | 1 | 4 | |
| May | 12 | 1 | 3 | |
| June | 14 | 2 | 2 | |
| July | 17 | 7 | 2 | 1 |
| August | 13 | | 4 | |
| September | 9 | 2 | 1 | |
| October | 8 | | 5 | |
| November | 7 | | 4 | |
| December | 4 | 1 | 1 | |
| TOTAL | 120 | 17 | 30 | 2 |