

Open Admissions Shelter

Position:

The Calgary Humane Society is an open admission shelter and never turns an animal in need away, even if the shelter is full. The CHS accepts all companion animals, including those that are ill, injured, feral, and behaviourally unsound.

Rationale:

The CHS maintains that an open admissions policy is the best way to protect animals in need. Whatever the reasons an animal may come to the CHS – for example, if it is simply not wanted anymore, or if the owner cannot afford its care – the CHS believes that turning an animal in need away subjects that animal to the risk of abandonment, neglect, abuse or other suffering.