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YOU ARE IN RED FOX COUNTRY

This neighborhood is experiencing an increase in red fox sightings and red fox-pet interactions.



Red foxes are part of your local ecosystem. They have an important role in controlling populations of mice, voles, snakes, insects, pigeons and more. Red fox behavior is shaped by its natural instinct and by human opportunity created in its environment.

The best way to avoid negative interactions with red foxes is to:
KEEP YOUR LOCAL RED FOXES WILD.

NEVER feed foxes, either purposefully or indirectly:

- **NEVER** feed a red fox—foxes that are fed by humans lose their fear of humans. If you see or suspect someone is feeding foxes, immediately contact Open Space and Natural Resources Naturalist staff at 303-326-8435.
- Do not leave pet food outside, day or night. Period.
- Do not leave trash uncovered or out on the curb overnight.

NEVER encourage foxes to come near you or into your yard:

- Remove backyard attractants such as fallen fruit, bird seed, pet food and unenclosed compost.
- Haze red foxes out of your yard by shouting, banging on pots and pans, or tossing objects (not food) adjacent to the fox.
- Repel foxes from areas using ammonia soaked rags or mothballs. Wildlife regulations prohibit the trapping and relocation of red foxes.

PROTECT pets from foxes:

- **NEVER** allow pets to play with foxes. Keep pet immunizations current.
- Do not allow cats to roam freely; foxes occasionally prey on cats at large.
- **ALWAYS** walk your dog on a leash. In areas where there have been interactions with red foxes, use a shorter lead.

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SUPERVISE SMALL PETS**
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