

## CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## City of Chico Breaks Ground on New Kennel Facility

*Chico, CA – April 25, 2012* Long awaited and much anticipated, the City of Chico broke ground on its new 38-run kennel facility on Wednesday. When completed, this facility will house dogs available for adoption, and help alleviate crowding at the City of Chico Animal Shelter.

The outer shell is a prefabricated metal building which will be insulated, heated and cooled. Runs will be indoors, but are designed so that dogs won't face each other across the aisle. This will help reduce stress, disease transmission, and barking. The design is based on the kennels at the North West SPCA in Oroville.

"This is very exciting," said Tracy Mohr, Animal Services Manager for the City of Chico. "This will give both the City and our adoption partner, Butte Humane Society, more room for staff and animals, as well as a nice place for the public to come look for a new pet."

The Chico Animal Shelter is owned and operated by the City of Chico, under the Chico Animal Services Section of the Chico Police Department. Construction is estimated to last about three months, and is being done by Modern Building of Chico.

For more information, contact Tracy Mohr, City of Chico Animal Services Manager at 530-894-5630.

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