



# !!!!!!COYOTE WARNING!!!!!!

An increased number of COYOTE sightings have been reported recently both during the day and during the night. The sightings have been reported to **THE CITY OF COSTA MESA'S COYOTE HOTLINE**, and they have asked us to remind you of the following:

Report sightings on their **HOTLINE NUMBER**, which is **714-754-4899**, and also report on the Coyote Cacher website which is [www.costamesa.gov/CoyoteCacher](http://www.costamesa.gov/CoyoteCacher) or download the Costa Mesa Connect App and click Coyote Sightings.

**Please see some COYOTE SAFETY TIPS below.**

**Also, review HAZING techniques.**

**COYOTE SAFETY**

**Tips to keep coyotes away:**

- Do not leave small pets in backyard unattended
- Feed your pets indoors and do not leave pet food outside
- Pick up fallen fruit from trees off the ground
- Protect all water sources including pools

**If you spot a coyote...**

Haze it by making yourself big and loud

**Then...**

Log onto the Coyote Cacher to report your encounter

Website: Coyote Cacher

If you want to see where encounters are in your neighborhood, please click here for an interactive coyote encounter map.

Use the following button to submit a report encounter

Report Coyote Encounter

NOTE: If you submit a report, please provide accurate information for your report. Please do not provide false information or mislead the City of Costa Mesa.

Costa Mesa Police Department

Coyote sightings and attacks on pets in Costa Mesa have been on the rise in recent months. The City offers the following tips to help curb the coyote problem.

- Do not feed coyotes.
- Eliminate sources of water, particularly in dry climates.
- Position bird feeders so that coyotes can't get to the feed. Coyotes are attracted by bread, table scraps, and even seed. Coyotes may also be attracted by birds and rodents that come to the feeders.
- Do not discard edible garbage where coyotes can get to it.
- Secure garbage containers and eliminate garbage odors.
- Feed pets indoors whenever possible. Pick up any leftovers if feeding outdoors.
- Store pet and livestock feed where it is inaccessible to wildlife.
- Trim and clean, near ground level, any shrubbery that provides hiding cover for coyotes or prey.
- Fencing your yard could deter coyotes. The fence should be at least six feet high with the bottom extending at least six inches below the ground for best results.
- Do not leave small children unattended outside if coyotes have been frequenting the area.
- Do not allow pets to run free.
- Keep pets safely confined and provide secure nighttime housing for them.
- Walk your dog on a leash and accompany your pet outside, especially at night.
- Discourage coyotes from frequenting your area. If you start seeing coyotes around your home or property, chase them away by shouting, making loud noises, or throwing rocks.