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2013 Urban Deer Archery Hunt Numbers Top Prior Years

Another safe season aids City homeless.

MORGANTOWN – Excitement surrounding Urban Archery grew again this year, with more successful participants than ever.



This truckload of venison was donated to the Bartlett House early in the season on September 26.

The Third Annual Morgantown Urban Deer Archery Hunt ended on December 31, 2013, and the program's organizer is happy to announce the results of the city's harvest.

Rick Bebout, Volunteer Coordinator for the UDAH, reported to City Manager Jeff Mikorski that 137 deer were taken during the four-month hunt – up 19 from last year's numbers.

While the most popular spot in 2012 had 21 deer, this year, there were more locations in which the archers could hunt. All of 22 properties had at least one deer taken.

Some of the most popular and fruitful properties included:

- Norwood Area property, 15
- BOPARC's Dorsey's Knob Park, 14
- Green Bag Road Hillside Property, 13
- WVU Farm Woodlot, 10
- WVU Motor Pool Property, 10

Donated numbers also rose this year, with 74 of the 137 deer donated, netting local shelters and kitchens 1,831 pounds of fresh venison to prepare in their meals for Morgantown's hungry.

Year	Hunters	Deer Taken	Donated Venison
2011	67	45	400 lbs.
2012	77	118	1,617 lbs.
2013	90	137	1,831 lbs.

Early planning for the 2014 Urban Deer Archery Hunt will take place soon. The City Manager's secretary says that requests for information for the Hunt are coming year-round now, and more properties are continuing to be identified that could benefit from the city's deer management efforts. The Upcoming 2014 UDAH Registration will be announced in February.

A presentation of the 2013 UDAH results will be given at the January 28, 2014 City Council Committee of the Whole meeting.

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More Information

Urban Deer page on MorgantownWV.gov

<http://www.morgantownwv.gov/residents/urban-deer/>

