



FIXES FOR FREE GRANT

Project #
FY18-18234

County: KENT

Number of Cats Spayed:	33	Number of Dogs Spayed:	15
Number of Cats Neutered:	29	Number of Dogs Neutered:	14

Amount Received: \$8,847	Amount Remaining (to be returned to MDA): \$360
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Project Synopsis:

This project provided spay/neuter services to 91 animals owned by low income families in Kent County.



Project Description:

The Humane Society of Kent County, Maryland, is a small, rural animal shelter established in 1962. Our grant covered the period 10/1/2017 through March 2019. The purpose of the project was to assist low income pet owners by provided free spay/neuter services to their pets. Our target area was Kent County. Our goal was to spay/neuter approximatley 100 animals using the funds made available to us. We were able to spay/neuter only 91 animals because, in certain circumstances, the veterinary fee was higher than anticipated.

Summary of Approach:

Various forms of social media were used to promote the service, including the local newspapers, radio station, facebook, and word of mouth. An application was available on our website and at the shelter. The response was overwhelming and we had more applications than we had funds available to cover them. In certain cases, the veterinary expense was higher because we had to use Veterinarians who were available at times we could coordinate with the pet owner.

Accomplishments:

We are pleased at the high number of responses from low income people who were anxious to have their pets spayed/neutered but could not afford the cost. It was also an opportunity for us to educate people on the proper care of their pets and the importance of spay/neuter.

Lessons Learned:

If we were to apply for future grants, we would be certain to find the vets who would offer us a low cost fee as well as some standard appointment times so we could better coordinate the schedule between vets and pet owners.



Attachments:

List of animals altered.
Advertisements

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