Final Grant Progress Report

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Maryland Department of Agriculture

Spay and Neuter Grants Program

Contact Information

Project Title

Trap Neuter Return Project

Project Type

Feral Cat Application

Project #

22-7040

Date of Report

Jun 15, 2022

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Organization Name and Address

Organization Name

Baltimore County Department of Health

County

Baltimore County

Address Line 1

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Address Line 2

City	State	Zipcode
Baldwin	Maryland	21013

Full Address

13800 Manor Rd Baldwin Maryland 21013

Budget Expenditures

Total Grant Awarded

$24,000.00

Total Amount Spent

$24,000.00

Amount Remaining

$0.00

Surgery Information

Number of Cats Spayed	Number of Cats Neutered
306	294

Number of Dogs Spayed	Number of Dogs Neutered
0	0

Total Surgeries Proposed	Total Surgeries Completed
600	600

Project Information

Project Synopsis

Baltimore County Animal Services, BCAS, undertook this grant to sterilize 600 community cats within our jurisdiction and provide a free TNR surgery package to our clientele.

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Additional Information

Project Description

We provided a free TNR surgery package for 600 community cats, which included the following: spay/neuter, rabies vaccine, FVRCP vaccine, eartipping, microchipping and vet exam under sedation. We partnered with local trappers and community members to spread the word about this program and engage our community. We offered walk in clinics, appointments and some transportation services, along with free trap loans, to help increase participation. Our staff worked together to provide this service across the board, from our TNR Coordinator to our surgery staff, to our Animal Services Officers, to our shelter attendants. It was a group effort to make this project successful!

Summary of Approach

For majority of the grant period we offered walk-in TNR drop off service on most Fridays at our Baldwin clinic. We typically accepted between 20-50 cats each week the clinic was open. This was in addition to offering a few surgery spots the other days of the week. Towards the end of the grant period, we were able to re-open our Dundalk clinic for the first time since Covid began. We've been offering at least 15 surgery spots at that clinic each week since then. We've been successful filling most of our appointment spots. Throughout the grant we offered trap loans to clientele who did not have their own equipment. The TNR Coordinator has created a TNR focused Facebook group where trappers can connect with residents who need assistance with trapping, and transportation. This has helped tremendously to provide those connections so more residents can utilize this service.

Accomplishments

We completed this grant in only two quarters! During the course of the grant we increased our TNR surgery capacity, which allowed us to complete the grant early. We've had a very positive response from our clientele.

Lessons Learned

Our spay/neuter clinics function better with scheduled appointments, rather than a walk-in service. We are still offering large scale TNR clinics every other month or so, to fulfill the needs of our community. We've also learned that having a TNR focused Facebook group is incredibly helpful to connect caregivers, trappers and other community members with each other so they can work together to help complete 100% of the colonies.

Attachments (proof of surgeries performed)

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