

CFA Feral Cat Program

Project # 20-524

County: Cecil County Maryland

Number of Cats Spayed: 441 Number of Dogs Spayed: 0
Number of Cats Neutered: 354 Number of Dogs Neutered: 0

Amount Received: \$44,022 Amount Remaining (to be returned to MDA): 0

Project Synopsis:

Our Feral Cat Program targeted unaltered cats living in caregiver monitored colonies.



Project Description:

Our project targeted unaltered cats living in feral colonies. The colonies are identified through Cecil County Animal Services or the Chesapeake Feline Association's hotline. This was accomplished by working alongside colony captains to trap and transport all unaltered cats to the Miss Cat Spay and Neuter Surgical Suite operated by CFA. Our goal remains 100% TNR services to all identified and targeted colonies.

Summary of Approach:

Once a complaint call has been received. A representative from CFA meets the colony Captain at the colony location. We take an estimated physical count, remove friendly cats or kittens and set up a date for the surgeries. The cats are altered, vaccinated and ear docked. Cats recover fully prior to release. Colony feeders were advised to notify CFA if an unaltered feline migrates into their colony, so it could be addressed immediately.

Accomplishments:

With the generous support from the Maryland Department of Agriculture, CFA altered a total of 672 feral cats thus preventing future unwanted litters of kittens being born within Cecil and Harford Counties. It is our belief that this was a great accomplishment since we were closed for 3 months during to the COVID 19 pandemic. In addition, CFA provided spay/neuter services to CCAS to augment their "Owned Cats" MDA grant.

Lessons Learned:

This is a revised report on total spays an neuters completed during this grant cycle. Unfortunately, our bookkeeper made transcription errors and did not tie out our quarters correctly. This hopefully will not ever be an issue again because the clinic is now using Clinic HQ. We are sorry for any extra work this may have caused on MDA's end. As good as you think your plans are, you can never anticipate a pandemic and how much your





program will be affected. We had to adjust our plans and targets. New procedures for intake and discharge had to be established and remains in effect today. We anticipate a much larger kitten season in 2021 due to the females that were missed during our shutdown.

Attachments:

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