

Project # 23-8001

County: Anne Arundel County

Number of Cats Spayed: 199

Number of Cats Neutered: 179

Amount Received: \$28,040

Number of Dogs Spayed: 12 Number of Dogs Neutered: 28 Amount Remaining (to be returned to MDA): \$0.00

Project Synopsis:

This project set out to provide low-income pet-owning families in select areas of Anne Arundel county access to free spay/neuter and rabies vaccinations.





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Project Description:

The goal of this project was to reduce the number of homeless and unwanted animals turned into the Anne Arundel County Animal Care and Control facility in Anne Arundel County MD. Working with boots on the ground volunteers and social workers, we targeted three targeted area/zip codes of Anne Arundel County that have high owner surrender and abandonment rates and the majority of the residents are on some form of public assistance (zip codes 21225, 21060, 21061). This grant funded spay/neuter surgeries and rabies vaccinations.

Summary of Approach:

Working with boots on the ground volunteers and social workers, we targeted three targeted area/zip codes of Anne Arundel County that have high owner surrender and abandonment rates and the majority of the residents are on some form of public assistance (zip codes 21225, 21060, 21061). Transportation of pets was provided by pet owners in cases where they had transportation, by volunteers who worked with low-income apartment residents and social works to coordinate and schedule animal appointments. Once at our clinic, low-income animals were checked in, examined, underwent surgery, recovered, and then checked out.

Accomplishments:

We were able to help 418 animals overall and were able to get done with the project almost a full 3 months ahead of schedule!



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Lessons Learned:

We took advantage of social media, word-of-mouth, and local newsletters to get the word out about the free services to low-income pet

owners in 21225, 21601, and 21060.

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