

Baltimore Humane Society's FY23 Spay/Neuter Grant

Grant ID FY23-8005 Owned Pets

County(ies) Served: Baltimore County, Carroll County, Harford County

Date of Final Report: 2/2/2024

Number of Cats Spayed Total: 82

Number of Dogs Spayed Total: 56

Number of Cats Neutered Total: 138

Number of Dogs Neutered Total: 50

Number of Cat Surgeries Total: 220

Number of Dog Surgeries Total: 106

Total Number of Surgeries Completed: 326

Grant Amount Awarded: \$23,940.00 Amount Remaining (to be returned to MDA): \$0.00

Project Synopsis:

Due to having the majority of the surgeries being cats we were able to exceed our expectation for number of surgeries completed. We were almost able to complete our grant within the year and only needed an extra month. I'm hopeful that with all our implementations on making sure the schedule has designated spots for these surgeries that we will be able to complete next years grant on time.

Project Description:

This project will continue targeting low-income pet owners in an effort to reduce overpopulation and prevent other issues associated with unaltered pets. Target populations are low-income, underserved communities located in Baltimore County (Reisterstown, 21136; Owings Mills, 21117; Randallstown, 21133; Windsor Mills, 21244; Pikesville, 21208; and Gwynn Oak, 21207), a large portion of Carroll County (Westminster, 21157 and 21158; Taneytown, 21787; Finksburg, 21048; Manchester, 21102; and Hampstead, 21074), and four zip codes in Harford County (Havre de Grace, 21078; Edgewood, 21040; Joppatowne, 21085; and Aberdeen, 21001). Most areas in the targeted zip codes have poverty levels greater than eight percent. This program will be advertised on our website and via social media channels as well as publicized by our partner organizations (see partners section below) and printed flyers posted throughout communities. Demand for surgeries continues to be high and we anticipate the need to continue.

Summary of Approach:

Flyers will also be distributed to our program partners and by volunteers to other community resources in the targeted zip codes like churches, libraries, pet stores, etc. We will be advertising our services in both English and Spanish to reach a wider audience and will re-distribute information quarterly. Surgeries will be performed as requests are processed, Monday-Friday over the length of the grant. Typically, we perform between 8-15 surgeries per day, so grant recipients should be able to easily schedule appointments with no restrictions. To qualify for this grant, recipients must provide proof of residence and low-income status or government assistance. Their pets must meet our regular surgery guidelines of size, age, and breed in order to qualify for this program.





Accomplishments:

We were able to perform 326. We worked through minor complications on the way and were able to finish the grant just a little over our goal

Lessons Learned:

We learned that saving spots specifically for DAG clients helped us schedule more surgeries from these low income areas.

Project Photos:







For More Information Contact:

Baltimore Humane Society Lisa Poland 410-833-8848 ext 202 lpoland@bmorehumane.org



