



**Alley Cat Rescue Inc**  
*Cheap Fix Cat Clinic*

**Project #**  
**24-9062**

**Date of Report:** 10/2/2024

**Project Focus:** Feral Cats

**County(ies) Serviced:** Prince George's County

**Total Number of Cats Spayed:** 109

**Total Number of Cats Neutered:** 91

**Total Number of Surgeries:** 200

**Amount Received:** \$13,000.00    **Amount Spent:** \$13,000.00    **Amount Remaining (to be returned):** \$0.00

**Project Synopsis:**

This project TNR'd community cats within five target zip codes in Prince George's County: 20784, 20772, 20785, 20783, and 20712. Our goal was to close as many colonies as possible within the timeframe and with the funds granted. ACR worked with volunteers from Outlaw Kitties to trap cats, transport them to a low-cost clinic for sterilization, hold the cats for a recovery period, and then release them back to where they were trapped.

**Project Description:**

The target areas for the Cheap Fix Clinic contained low-income communities throughout an area spanning five zip codes in Prince George's County. We TNR'd 200 community cats within these zip codes. ACR and Outlaw Kitties trapped the cats and transported them low-cost clinics, as clinic availability permitted. The immediate purpose of the project was to reduce euthanasia rates at the Prince George's County Animal Shelter. The long-term goal of this program was to decrease the community cat population in Prince George's County and nearby areas by preventing countless litters of kittens from being born outdoors.

**Summary of Approach:**

Alley Cat Rescue volunteers used a combined complaint-based and targeted approach; we fielded calls from community members and based our target colony locations partly upon the zip codes from which we received the greatest number of requests for help. We also took into consideration the poverty levels of the communities requesting help. During the project, 1) trappers targeted colonies individually, working toward 100% sterilization of all colony members before moving on to another colony. 2) Trappers transported the cats, in traps, to ACR headquarters and ACR staff then transported the cats to a clinic. 3) At the clinic, cats were sterilized, eartipped, and vaccinated for rabies. They were then transported back to ACR and held overnight. 4) Our staff transported the cats back to their colonies the following day. 4) We check in with colony caretakers regularly to ensure any new cats who enter the colony are TNR'd.

**Accomplishments:**

During this grant period, we TNR'd our goal number of 200 community cats. We were also able to get medical treatment for kittens who had common but dangerous eye infections.



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**Lessons Learned:**

We learned that we are able to TNR more cats than we have been in previous years due to an increase in volunteers. We expect this to be the case for the foreseeable future.

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