

Final Grant Progress Report

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Maryland Department of Agriculture
Spay and Neuter Grants Program

Contact Information

Project Title

Spay and Neuter Somerset

Project Type

Pet Focused Application

Project

24-9105

Date of Report

Aug 8, 2025

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Organization Name

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County

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City

Westover

State

Maryland

Zipcode

21871

Full Address

Budget Expenditures

Total Grant Awarded

\$10,500.00

Total Amount Spent

Amount Remaining

\$0.00

Surgery Information

Number of Cats Spayed

0

Number of Cats Neutered

0

Number of Dogs Spayed

30

Number of Dogs Neutered

20

Total Surgeries Proposed

50

Total Surgeries Completed

50

Project Information

Project Synopsis

We were able to spay and neuter a total of fifty dogs this year with this grant. All applicants were low income families and were very grateful to have this done for their dogs. With the assistance of Dr. Reed and his staff at Somerset Regional Animal Hospital, this year was a complete success.

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Additional Information

Project Description

Somerset County Dog Control was able to assist low-income families that reside in Somerset County with no cost spay/neuter of their dogs. Each dog was given a rabies vaccination as well. The dogs were brought to the clinic the morning of the clinic and paperwork was filled out by the owners. Once all the dogs arrived that day, each dog was evaluated by the vet before surgery was performed. Once each dog was evaluated, the procedures were started. Once all surgeries were completed, the dogs were placed in recovery, where they were closely monitored until they were awake and deemed able to go home by Dr. Reed. Each dog was sent home late in the afternoon with instructions for after care.

Summary of Approach

We shared on our social media page that we were awarded a grant to spay/neuter dogs for low-income families that reside in Somerset County, Maryland. This was also shared on local radio stations, news stations as well as being featured in local newspapers. Residents would call the Dog Control office and schedule a time to fill out an application and show proof of income. If they met the criteria, they were scheduled to a clinic.

Accomplishments

Somerset County Dog Control was able to meet our goal of spaying 30 female dogs and neutering 20 male dogs for low income families that reside in Somerset County, Maryland. We were able to complete this with the assistance of Dr. Reed and his staff at Somerset Regional Animal Hospital.

Lessons Learned

We learned to be mindful of the weather when scheduling clinics. Extreme heat or extreme cold can cause issues for families when trying to transport dogs to and from the clinic, as well as after care.

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