County: Somerset

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Amount Received: $37,120.00  
Amount Remaining (to be returned to MDA): 0

Project Synopsis:
This very effective project targeted low income residents in Crisfield, Marion Station, Princess Anne, Westover, Deal Island and Smith Island. Pet owners were offered free Spay Neuter and rabies vaccines for their pet cats and a total of 750 cats were fixed.

Project Description:
Our goal was to spay, neuter and vaccinate 750 pet cats in Somerset County

Summary of Approach:
We used a few newspaper ads and word of mouth about the grant. Many people borrowed carriers and traps to bring us their pet cats. We conducted spay and neuter clinics twice monthly transporting cats from Somerset County to Davidsonville MD to the Spay Spa and Neuter Nook, and back to Somerset County. A total of 729 cats were sterilized at Spay Spa our partner clinic another 21 we sterilized at our local clinic Layfield Vet Services. In total, our organization (along with those cats helped under this grant) did about over 900 cats during the period and one rescued dog.

Accomplishments:
We reached our 750 cat goal in 11 months and helped many low income fainilys with a big problem. We have received accolades from many people and from county officials about our partnership with the state AG department and our success

Lessons Learned:
We needed to plan for more than 750 cats. The need and our capacity could have handled more and 900-1000 would have been more accurate target.

In our FY18 grant we asked for 600 cats again and it was approved. We also have requested 300 additional cats through Petsmart, although at this time that had not been approved, though we are confident we will
receive this additional funds, providing us with the ability to sterilize another 900-1000 cats again this coming year.

**Attachments:**
none

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