



Spay and Neuter Grant Program Advisory Board ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

August 19, 2022

9:30a.m. – 4:30p.m. via Google Meet

Type of Meeting:

The Spay and Neuter Advisory Board (SNAB) will meet Friday, August 19, 2022 via Google Meet, to discuss and approve funding for FY23 grant applications.

Meeting Facilitator:

Jen Swanson, Program Coordinator

Invitees:

Caroline Griffin (SNAB Chair), Morgan Beach (PFI), Nathaniel Boan (MDA), Patricia Crankshaw-Quimby (Talbot Humane/Talbot County Animal Control), Emily Hovermale (Humane Rescue Alliance), Dr. Michelle Quigley (Veterinarian), Lisa Radov (MD Votes for Animals), and public.

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- I) Welcome and Introductions (C. Griffin)
 - II) Motion to Approve 2020 and 2021 SNAB Annual Meeting Minutes (N. Boan)
 - III) Program Business
 - a) Brief overview regarding how applications will be discussed (C. Griffin, N. Boan)
 - b) Discuss applications submitted for FY23 funding
 - IV) New Business
 - V) Adjournment

Agenda may be subject to change



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SPAY AND NEUTER GRANT PROGRAM Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

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Board Members Present

- Caroline Griffin, Esq. (Chair): President, Animal Welfare Institute, and Co-Founder, Show Your Soft Side; representing a private animal shelter
- Nathaniel Boan: Executive Director, Maryland State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners; representing the Maryland Department of Agriculture
- Emily Hovermale: Director of Government Affairs, Humane Rescue Alliance; one of two members representing an animal welfare advocacy organization;
- Dr. Michelle Quigley, DVM: Small animal veterinarian; representing veterinarians
- Patty Crankshaw-Quimby, CAWA: Administrator, Talbot County Animal Control/Executive Director, Talbot Humane, and President of the Professional Animal Workers of Maryland (PAWS); representing a local animal control agency
- Lisa G. Radov: President and Chairman of the Board for Maryland Votes for Animals; one of two members representing an animal welfare advocacy organization
- Jen Swanson: Program Coordinator, MDA Spay and Neuter Grants Program

Guests

- None

I. Welcome

- a. Meeting called to order by Caroline at 9:33am on Friday, August 19, 2022
- b. Introductions

II. Approval of the 2020 Minutes

- a. Caroline moved to approve
- b. Lisa seconded
- c. Motion passed
- d. All in favor

III. Approval of the 2021 Minutes

- a. Lisa moved to approve
- b. Patty seconded
- c. Motion passed
- d. All in favor

IV. Overview of meeting structure and review process – Caroline

V. Proposal Reviews – *Discussed in order of highest to lowest average weighted score*

- a. 23-8086A Forgotten Cats (Worcester County) – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fully fund, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- b. 23-8086B Forgotten Cats (Wicomico County) – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fully fund, by Lisa
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- c. 23-8013 Maryland SPCA – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 75%, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion regarding MDSPCA’s ask being a large percentage of the program’s total budget; general overfunding of Baltimore City programs; MDSPCA’s available resources per their Form 990; the need for more subsidized dog surgeries in Baltimore City; other cat programs in the area; program cost-effectiveness when compared to other Baltimore City programs
 - 3. Motion withdrawn by Emily
 - ii. Motion to fully fund dog surgeries requested and 65% of cat surgeries requested, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Motion passed
 - a. Five in favor
 - b. Caroline opposed – citing resources could be better utilized
- d. 23-8012 BARCS – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 70%, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion regarding a math/data entry error on both of BARCS’ applications which did not account for the additional cost of rabies vaccinations; the cost-effectiveness of their program; the positive impact of their program; this is their priority grant application
 - 3. Motion amended by Nate, to increase funding to 80%
 - a. Amendment seconded by Lisa
 - b. Discussion
 - ii. Motion to fund at 87.5% (which would fully fund their program if the math/data entry error was not present), by Patty
 - 1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- e. 23-8011 BARCS – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund 75% of proposed cat surgeries and 60% of proposed dog surgeries, by Emily

1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 2. Discussion regarding the same math/data entry error this application which did not account for the additional cost of rabies vaccinations; this is not BARCS' priority grant application
 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- f. 23-8050 Sunshine's Friends Cat & Dog Rescue – Feral Application
- i. Motion to fund at 85%, by Nate
 1. Motion seconded by Emily
 2. Discussion
 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- g. 23-8049 Sunshine's Friends Cat & Dog Rescue – Pet Application
- i. Motion to fund at 85%, by Nate
 1. Motion seconded by Michelle
 2. Discussion
 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- h. 23-8001 Rude Ranch Animal Rescue – Pet Application
- i. Motion to fund at 75% while removing travel and brochure expenses, by Emily
 1. Motion seconded by Michelle
 2. Discussion
 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- i. 23-8038 Tip Me Frederick – Feral Application
- i. Motion to fund at 70% and allowing travel expenses, by Nate
 1. Motion seconded by Emily
 2. Discussion
 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- j. 23-8027 Talbot Humane – Pet Application (*Patty recused herself from discussion and voting*)
- i. Motion to fully fund, by Lisa
 1. Motion not seconded
 2. Motion retracted by Lisa
 - ii. Motion to fund at 85%, by Nate
 1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 2. Discussion
 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- k. 23-8002 Rude Ranch Animal Rescue – Feral Application
- i. Motion to fund at 85% of proposed surgeries and travel expenses, while removing coordinator position and Facebook advertising, by Emily
 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 2. Discussion
 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor

- I. 23-8078 Shadow Cats TNR – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 90%, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- m. 23-8101 Linda L. Kelley Animal Shelter – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 90%, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion regarding this being their first application; their new in-house clinic opening this past June; exciting to see their programs develop; were smart to start small, shows foresight
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- n. 23-8010 Laurel Cats, Inc. – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 70%, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Nate
 - 2. Discussion regarding this being their best application yet; costs seem very high, but may be out of their control; ask is a very high percentage of total program budget; one of four feral projects in PG County this year, this is the top-rated application of those
 - ii. Motion amended by Emily, to reduce funding to 60%
 - 1. Amendment seconded by Nate
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- o. 23-8062 Alley Cat Rescue – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 60%, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Emily
 - 2. Discussion regarding the size and reach of this organization, and their capacity; one of four feral projects in PG County this year, second rated application of those
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. Five in favor
 - b. Caroline opposed – would like to see more funding for this grant
- p. 23-8094 A Cat’s Life Rescue – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 60%, by Patty
 - 1. Motion seconded by Michelle
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- q. 23-8005 Baltimore Humane Society – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 70%, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed

- a. All in favor
- r. 23-8040 Baltimore County Animal Services – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 50%, by Patty
 - 1. Motion seconded by Michelle
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- s. 23-8073 Cecil County Animal Services – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 50%, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- t. 23-8020 Prince George’s County Animal Services – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 40% and allowing travel expenses, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion regarding this being their first feral application; one of four feral projects in the county, this application is lowest rated
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- u. 23-8059 Anne Arundel County Animal Services – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 35%, by Patty
 - 1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion regarding their focus on bully breeds, which is needed; didn’t apply last year as they are still working on completing their FY21 grant, which is at 60% complete as of July 2022
 - ii. Motion amended by Patty, to increase funding to 50%
 - 1. Amendment seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- v. 23-8083 Worcester County Humane Society – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 75%, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- w. 23-8046 Chesapeake Feline Association – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 60% and removing coordinator position and postcard expense, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Michelle
 - 2. Discussion regarding decline in results in terms of shelter intake/euthanasia; large amount of funding to county versus the return on investment
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- x. 23-8092 February Star Sanctuary – Feral Application

- i. Motion to fund at 60% and removing flyer/brochure expenses, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- y. 23-8092 February Star Sanctuary – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 60% and removing flyer/brochure expenses, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- z. 23-8007 HART for Animals – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 50%, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion regarding their grant application being sparse, unclear about target area, and need for much more detail and information; the only project (feral or pet) serving this part of Maryland
 - ii. Motion amended by Emily, to increase funding to 70%
 - 1. Amendment seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- aa. 23-8065 Caroline County Humane Society – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 70%, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion regarding the great need in this area; this is the only project in the county
 - 3. Motion retracted by Nate
 - ii. Motion to fund at 75%, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- bb. 23-8098 Montgomery County Community Cat Coalition (MCC3) – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 65%, by Michelle
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- cc. 23-8025 Humane Society of Wicomico County – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 70%, by Emily
 - 1. Motion seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion regarding the lack of detail in this application, especially in the work plan; only pet program in this county; need is great
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor

- dd. 23-8099 Queen Anne’s County Animal Services – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 50%, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion regarding the high costs, especially for dog spays; only pet program in this county
 - ii. Motion amended by Nate, to increase funding to 70%
 - 1. Amendment seconded by Lisa
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
 - ee. 23-8032 Humane Society of Somerset County – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 30%, by Michelle
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion regarding the fragmented nature of this application, missing detail and difficult to follow; only pet program in this very poor county; need is great
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. Five in favor
 - b. Emily opposed – would like to see more funding for this grant
 - ff. 23-8057 Humane Society of Kent County – Feral Application
 - i. Motion to remove from consideration, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Emily
 - 2. Discussion regarding the removal of this application due to concerns involving TNR best practices, similar to last year
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
 - gg. 23-8079 St. Mary’s County Animal Welfare League (SMAWL) – Pet Application
 - i. Motion to fund at 20%, by Nate
 - 1. Motion seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion regarding the high costs, especially for dog spays, not a good use of program resources; only program (pet or feral) in this county; need is great
 - ii. Motion amended by Nate, to fund proposed cat surgeries at 60% and eliminate all proposed dog surgeries
 - 1. Amendment seconded by Patty
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Motion passed
 - a. All in favor
- VI. Balancing of Remaining Funding
- a. Discussion
 - b. Motion by Lisa, to add back:
 - i. 15% to application 23-8050 Sunshine’s Friends Cat & Dog Rescue – Feral (100%)
 - ii. 15% to application 23-8049 Sunshine’s Friends Cat & Dog Rescue – Pet (100%)
 - iii. 5% to application 23-8001 Rude Ranch Animal Rescue – Pet (80%)
 - iv. 15% to application 23-8038 Tip Me Frederick – Feral (85%)
 - v. 10% to application 23-8027 Talbot Humane – Pet (95%)
 - vi. 5% to application 23-8002 Rude Ranch Animal Rescue – Feral (85%)
 - vii. 10% to application 23-8078 Shadow Cats TNR – Feral (100%)

- viii. 10% to application 23-8101 Linda L. Kelley Animal Shelter – Pet (100%)
- ix. 20% to application 23-8010 Laurel Cats, Inc. – Feral (80%)
- x. 20% to application 23-8062 Alley Cat Rescue, Inc. – Feral (80%)
- xi. 20% to application 23-8094 A Cat’s Life Rescue – Feral (80%)
- xii. 5% to application 23-8040 Baltimore County Animal Services – Feral (55%)
- xiii. 25% to application 23-8059 Anne Arundel County Animal Services – Pet (75%)
- xiv. 5% to application 23-8083 Worcester County Humane Society – Pet (80%)
- xv. 15% to application 23-8092 February Star Sanctuary – Feral (75%)
- xvi. 25% to application 23-8083 HART for Animals – Pet (75%)
- xvii. 10% to application 23-8065 Caroline County Humane Society – Pet (80%)
- xviii. 5% to application 23-8098 Montgomery County Community Cat Coalition – Feral (70%)
- xix. 20% to application 23-8099 Queen Anne’s County Animal Services – Pet (70%)
- xx. 10% to application 23-8032 Humane Society of Somerset County – Pet (40%)
- xxi. 10% to application 23-8032 Humane Society of Somerset County – Pet (40%)
- xxii. 40% cats, 25% dogs to application 23-8079 St. Mary’s Animal Welfare League – Pet (100% cats, 25% dogs)

c. Motion seconded by Patty

1. Motion Passed

a. All in favor

VII. Discussion regarding Charm City Companions 2020 grant

VIII. Congratulations to Patty for obtaining her Certified Animal Welfare Administrator designation from the Association for Animal Welfare Administrators

IX. Closing

a. Motion to adjourn meeting made by Caroline

b. Motion seconded by Lisa

c. Motion passed

i. All in favor

X. Meeting adjourned at 3:47pm on Friday, August 19, 2022