

Grant ID: 56

Title of Proposal: Jacksonville Pit Bull Program

Agency Type: Municipal

Total Funding Requested: \$20,000.00

Check Payable To: City of Jacksonville Animal Care & Control

Application Information

Demographics

Name of Applicant Agency:	City of Jacksonville Animal Care & Control	Website Address:	http://inside.coj.net/C4/Animal%20Care%20and%20Control%20Division/default.aspx
Person Submitting Proposal:	Scott Trebatoski	Position:	Division Chief
Organization Business Address:	2580 West 1st Street	City:	Jacksonville
State:	FL	Zip:	32254
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Agency Details

Dates of Last Fiscal Year: Begin: 10/01/07 **End:** 09/30/08

Organization Income in Last Fiscal Year: \$3,550,000.00

Organization Expenses in Last Fiscal Year: \$3,550,000.00

Number of Paid Employees: Full Time: 62 Part Time: 4

Number of Active Volunteers: 20

Total Volunteer Hours per Week: 240.00

How did you learn of the 2009 Florida Animal Friend grant competition? through FACA

Year(s) of previous Florida Animal Friend grants (if applicable): none

Describe your agency:

Services Provided

Organization Structure:

- Unlimited Intake Shelter
- Limited Intake Shelter
- Foster Network
- Animal Control
- Spay/Neuter Services
- Other

- City, county, or tribal agency
- Private nonprofit agency
- Other

List your current board of directors:

Applicant Qualifications

For your organization, in the last complete fiscal year:

12880 cats and 10798 dogs were admitted.

2776 cats and 4134 dogs were adopted.

9709 cats and 6500 dogs were euthanized.

3800 cats and 5300 dogs were sterilized.

Briefly describe your animal programs:

Active pet placement partnerships, agreement with humane society for placement, adoption program, off site store front (7 days/week) adoption facility (storefront), return programs including sterilization incentives, education program, special promotions/adoption deals, work with private TNR program as a pilot test program for the city

If your program performs adoptions, are all animals sterilized before adoption?

No

If not all, what percentage of animals are not currently sterilized before adoption?

10

If not all, how are animals selected for sterilization before adoption?

all animals are sterilized except those taken by the humane society - they sterilize them at their location before adoption

If not all, describe your sterilization policies and procedures for assuring sterilization after adoption:

Jacksonville Humane Society has an agreement to take animals from our shelter, vaccinate, sterilize, microchip, and adopt a certain number of animals

Give additional background information on your organization's programs as they relate to this application and the qualifications of the personnel who will be in charge of this program. Show that you have the ability to carry out this program.

We have a number of progressive programs for feral cats, outplacement of adoptable animals, but we do not have any program directed specifically to pit bulls. We have a large number of pit bulls and people asked us to start a program. we do not have funding for the start up of the pit bull sterilization program due to budget constraints and our current investment in TNR. We would like to target a specific area and try to get as many pitbulls in that area sterilized to show the positive benefits to sell the program citywide,

If you currently have a program for sterilization of cats and/or dogs, describe your current level of funding and productivity and why additional resources are needed?

This is a new area for concentration and think we might stimulate additional private funding if we can show results.

Target Population

Geographical target area (name of city, county, etc.):	Jacksonville, FL 32254
Total human population in target area:	14969
Percent of residents living below poverty in target area:	17
Estimated number of pet cats in target area (human population divided by 3.3):	4537
Estimated number of pet dogs in target area (human population divided by 4.0):	3743
Estimated number of feral cats in target area (human population divided by 6.0):	2495
Number of cats admitted to animal control shelters in the target area last year (if known)	500
Number of dogs admitted to animal control shelters in the target area last year (if known)	650
Number of cats euthanized in animal control shelters in the target area last year (if known)	280
Number of dogs euthanized in animal control shelters in the target area last year (if known)	595
Please explain if you believe your target area animal population is significantly different than above. believe above is accurate	
Please explain what you believe are the most substantial sources of dog and cat overpopulation in the target area: Feral cats & Pit bulls - many pitbulls seen in neighborhood, signs for free puppies, etc on most corners	
What kinds of spay/neuter services are currently available in the target area and in what ways are these resources currently insufficient to meet community needs? Citywide low cost spay neuter but transportation is an issue. Would like to contract with the local veterinary clinic (only 1 in this area code) to do surgeries for this area.	
Florida Animal Friend is highly supportive of proposals that are focused on animal populations that are identified as substantial sources of dog or cat overpopulation rather than being diluted over too broad of a geographic area or diverse animal populations. Describe the specific target animal population of the spay/neuter project proposed for this grant:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pets in low-income families <input type="checkbox"/> Especially difficult or unique animal overpopulation sources <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pit bull dogs <input type="checkbox"/> Feral cats <input type="checkbox"/> Special spay/neuter event <input type="checkbox"/> Other	

Objectives

What do you hope to accomplish with these funds (objectives should be specific and quantifiable)?

Show a decrease in puppy intake in this area & an overall reduction in dog euthanasia for zipcode

How does this program increase the number of sterilization surgeries above the existing baseline?

no current target program for area or breed

Methods

What criteria will you use to determine eligibility for the program?

geographic location of residence

How will you advertise the program? Explain how the advertising will reach the target audience.

door to door flyers/mailing within zipcode

How will you address barriers to full use of the program such as transportation, illiteracy, and cultural hurdles?

try to contract with local veterinarian for convenience of location & use volunteers for transport if needed

Does this project involve the transportation of animals by someone other than the client? If so, describe the vehicles, methods for confinement, personnel training, liability releases used to assure the safety of the animals and handlers.

would use city vehicles

Veterinary Services

Objectives

What arrangements have you made with veterinarians to perform the surgeries?

Currently we have 2 staff veterinarians operating in the zipcode & are working on contract with the one private veterinarian in the area

Veterinary Practices

Practice Name	Address	City	State	Zip	Phone	Lead Practice
Edison Avenue Veterinary Hospital	2893 Edison Avenue	Jacksonville	FL	32254	904-387-4641	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Fee Range

What is the fee range to be paid for spay and neuter and what is the distribution to be paid by the client vs. the grant program? Keep in mind that Florida Animal Friend grant funds may only be used for costs directly associated with sterilization surgery (including anesthesia and pain control) and not for other items such as vaccines, testing, licensing, and capital purchases.

	Amount Paid by Client	Amount Paid by Project	Total Amount
Range for Male Cats	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>

Range for Female Cats	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Range for Male Dogs	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Range for Female Dogs	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00

Please check each item below to indicate additional services offered at the time of surgery, whether the client is required to pay for them, and if so what the fee is. For example, if an examination is required for surgery but is not charged to the client it

would be marked: Required Yes, Fee to client No

	Required, Optional, or Not Offered			Fee to Client?	
Examination	<input type="radio"/> Required	<input type="radio"/> Optional	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Not Available	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Rabbies Vaccination if Due	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Required	<input type="radio"/> Optional	<input type="radio"/> Not Available	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Other Vaccination if Due	<input type="radio"/> Required	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Optional	<input type="radio"/> Not Available	<input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="text" value="\$25.00"/>
Pain Medication	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Required	<input type="radio"/> Optional	<input type="radio"/> Not Available	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Parasite Medication	<input type="radio"/> Required	<input type="radio"/> Optional	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Not Available	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Testing	<input type="radio"/> Required	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Optional	<input type="radio"/> Not Available	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Licensing	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Required	<input type="radio"/> Optional	<input type="radio"/> Not Available	<input type="radio"/> No	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="text" value="\$15.00"/>
Ear tipping	<input type="radio"/> Required	<input type="radio"/> Optional	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Not Available	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes
Other	<input type="radio"/> Required	<input type="radio"/> Optional	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Not Available	<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes

If necessary, please explain the procedures and fees described above:
 Rabies vaccination and pain medication are included in the contract fees. The owner will have to pay a licensing fee if their pet is not already licensed. Other vaccines are available as a package for \$25 but the owner would have to pay the costs

Is this a voucher program? If so, how will you assure compliance with the program?
 No, we are going to have the entire amount paid directly to the veterinarian upon adequate proof of sterilization and proof of residency within the target neighborhood

Other Information

Provide any additional information that will help the grant selection committee understand how the program will operate to achieve its goals.

Our goal for this program would be to target a very specific area and sterilize pit bulls. Using this as a pilot program, if we can show reduction in intake and euthanasia in the target zone we would then like to proposed to the city that at least one zip code be targeted each year for similar programs.

Budget

Total number of sterilization surgeries projected:
 Cats: 0 Dogs: 300
Total budget requested (Budget should not exceed \$25,000): \$20,000.00
Average cost/surgery projected: \$67.00

Describe any expenses that are not included in the grant and how they will be paid for:
 No other expenses other than steilization will come from the grant money all administrative fees, etc will be paid by the City of Jacksonville

Timeline

All projects must be completed within 12 months of receipt of funding. Any unexpended funds must be refunded to Florida Animal Friend within 30 days of the end of the project. Requests for time extensions must be made in writing at least 30 days prior to the end of the project. Funding for accepted projects will be available after August 1, 2009.

Projected start date: 10/01/09/ **Projected end date:** 03/30/10

Future Funding

Explain how the organization plans to fund this program in the future. Having plans beyond "seeking funds from other funders" enhances the chances of receiving this grant.

If we can show numerical results with benefits to the city we will seek a program for one city zip code each year paid for the by the City of Jacksonville

Promotion of Florida Animal Friend Spay/Neuter License Plate

Applicants selected for funding are expected to publicize their grant in support of their spay/neuter program via press releases, newsletters, website links, etc. In addition, they are expected to promote the sales of license plates so that additional spay/neuter grants can be funded. Please describe your plan to promote the Florida Animal Friend Spay/Neuter License Plate.

We will use the logo on all flyers, newsletters, publications related to the program. Will will issue press releases at the time of receipt of the grant, during the program and announcing the final results. We also would like to place brochures in the lobby available for the public. We will provide a link to the website from our website and with any online story as well.