



# COMMUNITY SPAY NEUTER PROJECT

Project #  
FY16-117

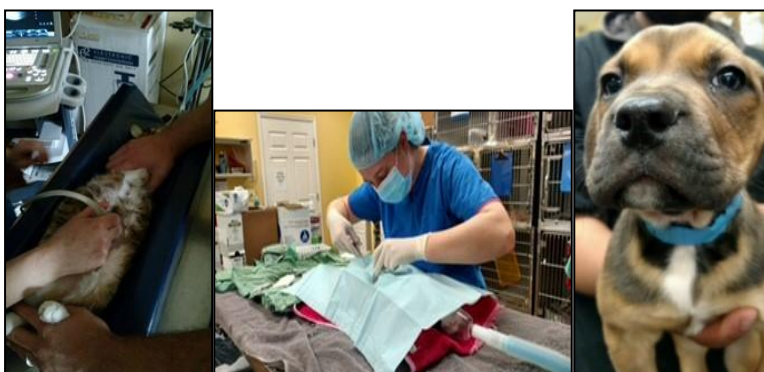
County: Charles County

<b>Number of Cats Spayed:</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>Number of Dogs Spayed:</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>Number of Cats Neutered:</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>Number of Dogs Neutered:</b>	<b>150</b>

<b>Amount Received: 37,700.00</b>	<b>Amount Remaining (to be returned to MDA): 0</b>
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### Project Synopsis:

This Community Spay and Neuter project targeted low-income pet owners in the Waldorf zip codes 20601,20602,20603 and 20604 and proposed to provide no-cost surgeries to 200 cats and 300 dogs.



### Project Description:

Last Chance Animal Rescue, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to minimize the euthanasia of homeless pets through adoption and by providing low-cost, high-quality spay/neuter for dogs and cats.

Through the Community Spay and Neuter Project we spayed/neutered pets for low income residents on public assistance within Waldorf zip codes 20601, 20602, 20603 and 20604. This geographical area was targeted due to the significant amount of impounded animals through the Tri County region served by Tri County Animal Shelter. This community was targeted to address the largest segment of the animal population that is impounded and faces euthanasia.

### Summary of Approach:

We started off 2016 by distributing flyers throughout our targeted area in any relevant office, church or store that would allow us to leave our information. We then used our adoption events to help distribute flyers into the local community. We also utilized social media to help spread awareness of the spay/neuter program.

We used our time spent in the field to raise awareness about the need to spay/neuter throughout our targeted area.

### Accomplishments:

We met our goals and exceeded expectations for our Community Spay and Neuter Grant. Our team worked tirelessly ensuring that every pet parent altered under the Community Spay and Neuter grant was educated on basic animal care and how to keep their pets healthy and happy. We educated the public and spread awareness through the the community regarding the importance of spay/neuter.



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With our community outreach we helped local residents keep their pets healthy who would have otherwise not been able to. We helped people like Mr. Walker stay on his very tight social security budget and still spay his beloved beagle "Besty".

Our greatest accomplishment is in the fact that we know we have prevented hundreds of unwanted puppies and kittens from flooding Tri County Animal Rescue in 2017.

**Lessons Learned:**

We learned several valuable lessons during the Community Spay and Neuter Grant. We learned to be prepared for the unexpected such as pyometra, cryptorchid males and heat cycles. We learned the need for continued community outreach when we discovered that people had been removing our flyers. We learned that when people are given the opportunity to do right by their pets they will do what is necessary.

**Attachments:**

See attached.

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