

Grant ID: 2399

Title of Proposal: Daytona Beach Animal Control Services**Agency Type:** Municipal**Total Funding Requested:** \$25,000.00**Check Payable To:** City of Daytona Beach

Application Information

Demographics

Name of Applicant Agency: City of Daytona Beach Police Department**Website Address:** www.daytonabeach.gov**Person Submitting Proposal:** Karen Brunetti**Position:** Grants & Projects Specialist**Person Submitting Proposal Email Address:** brunettikaren@daytonabeach.gov**Person Submitting Proposal Cell:****Organization Head:** Jakari Young**Organization Head's Email:** dbpdchief@daytonabeach.gov**Organization Business Address:** 129 Valor Blvd**City:** Daytona Beach**State:** FL**Zip:** 32114**Organization Business Phone (xxx-xxx-xxxx):** 386-671-5119**County:** Volusia**Organization Head's Cell:**

Agency Details

EIN:0% "> EIN: 59-6000304**Date of 501(c)(3) Incorporation:****Dates of Last Fiscal Year: Begin:** 10/01/25 **End:** 09/30/26**Organization Income in Last Fiscal Year:** \$379,886.49**Organization Expenses in Last Fiscal Year:** \$379,886.49**Number of Paid Employees:** Full Time: 300 Part Time: 30**How did you learn of the 2009 Florida Animal Friend grant competition?** Through Concerned Citizens for Animal Welfare**Year(s) of previous Florida Animal Friend grants (if applicable):****Previous Florida Animal Friend Applications:** Years Funded: 0 Year(s) denied/incomplete: 0**Auto-Generated (Previous Applications):**

Grant #	Proposal Year	Proposal Title	Status
2399	2026	Daytona Beach Animal Control Services	Funded

***Type of Organization (check all that apply):**☐ **Municipal Agency with Shelter**

- ☒ **Municipal Agency without Shelter**
- ☐ **Private Animal Shelter**
- ☐ **Private Animal Shelter with Municipal Contract**
- ☐ **Public Spay/Neuter Services**
- ☐ **Other Public Veterinary Services**
- Non-profit Agency**
- ☐ **TNR Group**
- ☐ **Rescue Group**
- ☐ **Other**

List the current President of your nonprofit organization (Not required of governmental agency):

Applicant Qualifications

For your organization, in the last complete fiscal year:

0 cats and 0 dogs were admitted.

0 cats and 0 dogs were adopted, transferred, or other live outcome.

0 cats and 0 dogs were euthanized.

1059 cats and 0 dogs were sterilized.

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 capacity to carry out this program.

The Daytona Beach Police Department Animal Services Unit promotes justice, equality and uniformity in the enforcement of animal care, welfare, control and protection laws. The Unit is made up of two Animal Control Officers who are full-time sworn officers dedicated to implementing the Unit's goals and mission. These Animal Control Officers (ACOs) have more than 7-10 years of experience working as certified ACOs. Both are certified as Animal Cruelty Investigators and Dangerous Dog Investigators. One officer holds an additional certification in Exotic Animal Cruelty Investigator. These officers work diligently towards their mission and are a tremendous asset to the department, responding to approximately 20 calls for service daily. The City of Daytona Beach is committed to the humane population control of free-roaming community cats through its Trap-Neuter-Return Program. The program's goal is to reduce the number of free-roaming cats over time by humanely trapping, sterilizing and returning healthy cats to their original locations, which helps stabilize colonies and reduce nuisance behaviors. The Daytona Beach Animal Services Unit partners with the Halifax Humane Society, Volusia County and Concerned Citizens for Animal Welfare (CCFAW) on its TNR program. The Redinger Clinic, which is where the DBPD transports TNR animals, is the veterinary clinic operating as part of the Halifax Humane Society.

Florida Animal Friend grants are for low-cost and/or no-cost spay/neuter programs; If you currently have such a program, please describe

The DBPD provides a no-cost service to the citizen who reports a free-roaming community cat. However, if a citizen needs to spay or neuter their pet(s), the department will refer those individuals to a list of clinics which provide the service at a low-cost. However, the DBPD does incur a charge when the neuter/spay service is completed by HHS or other partner agency. It is this charge that the DBPD seeks funding assistance due to the large overpopulation of community cats living in Daytona Beach.

Number of animals sterilized in that program in the past year:

Cats: 1059 Dogs: 0

Target Population

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(s) of the spay/neuter project proposed for this grant:

☐ Pets in low-income families ☐ Large mixed-breed dogs ☒ Trap-Neuter-Return of free-roaming community cats. EAR-TIPPING IS REQUIRED ☐ S/N services where demand exceeds current resources. ☐ Other

Geographical target area (name of city, county, zip codes, etc. Be as specific as possible.):

Daytona Beach, FL

Please explain what you believe are the most substantial sources of dog and cat overpopulation in the target area:

The cat overpopulation in Daytona Beach can be attributed to the lack of spaying/neutering of pets by owners as well as higher than average poverty levels amid rising costs of services. Currently, 20.1% of Daytona Beach residents live below the poverty level according to 2024 census numbers. That is nearly double the Florida average at 12.1%. Additionally, the warm temperatures present in Florida allow for a longer neonate season, leaving cats to reproduce more often. Daytona Beach, with its mix of new developments and more impoverished areas with vacant properties, provides many landscapes available for cat colonies to move in and reproduce. According to census data, vacant lots account for 18% of properties in Daytona Beach, higher than the state average at 14%. When all of these instances occur, a cat overpopulation can quickly result in that area.

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?

There are many options available to the public when seeking spay/neuter services to include numerous local veterinarians. This, of course, comes at a cost. The Halifax Humane Society and the Concerned Citizens for Animal Welfare, with whom the department partners, assist citizens with spay/neuter service at a lower cost. While these agencies are able to perform these services to pet owners, there is no organization, other than the DBPD Animal Services Unit, that facilitates TNRs for free-roaming community cats. Without this necessary service, the cat overpopulation would likely continue to increase rapidly over time.

Objectives

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

The DBPD aims to provide more TNRs through this funding in order to meet the demand of the community. With \$25,000, the department can facilitate more than 300 TNRs on community cats, thereby assisting in the overall eradication of the community cat overpopulation.

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

Due to budgetary constraints, the department must turn down some TNR requests. However, with this funding, the DBPD Animal Control Officers can increase its services to the public, which in turn will aid in decreasing the community cat overpopulation in Daytona Beach.

Methods

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

The cats reported by citizens must be located within city limits in order for our officers to facilitate a TNR. Additionally, there must be some verification that the cat is indeed a community cat and not a missing pet. Officers conduct an investigation to ensure that reported cats are in fact unhomeless before removing them from the location.

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

The program has been publicized through multiple channels to include the City's website, social media sites for the City as well as the Police Department, and through press releases. Informational videos have been created by our social media team to explain the process and these videos have been distributed using social media and the website. Any future advertising would continue to be publicized using these channels.

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

The DBPD Animal Control Unit currently operates their own vehicles which enable officers to trap and transport animals when necessary. In the event that a citizen does not speak English as their first language, the dispatch center has dispatchers available who may speak other languages. In rare instances, officers use a translation device in order to communicate with citizens when necessary.

Does this project involve the transportation of animals by someone other than the client? If so, describe.

No, the Animal Control Officers will transport the animals.

Veterinary Services

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

The Daytona Beach Animal Services Unit partners with Halifax Humane Society to provide sterilization surgeries for community cats, at a cost of \$75 per cat. In turn, the Halifax Humane Society operates a veterinary clinic called the Redinger Clinic that offers these surgeries as part of their organization.

Are they: ☐ In-House Veterinarian ☒ Outside Clinic ☐ Combination

Participating veterinary practices if surgeries will not be performed in-house:

Practice Name	Address	City	State	Zip	Phone	Lead Practice
Redinger Clinic	600 Mason Avenue, Suite 150	Daytona Beach	FL	32114	386-202-6633	☒

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. This includes pain medication, ear tipping, and \$ 2 per animal for rabies vaccinations. Costs for licensing, testing, transport, etc. are not to be paid for with grant funds.

	Amount Paid by Client	Amount Paid by Project	Total Amount
Range for Male Cats	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
Range for Female Cats	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
Range for Male Dogs	\$217.00	\$0.00	\$217.00
Range for Female Dogs	\$217.00	\$0.00	\$217.00

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	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Rabies Vaccination if Due	☒ Required ☐ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Other Vaccination if Due	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Pain Medication*	☒ Required ☐ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Parasite Medication	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
HW Testing	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Feline Leuk/FIV	☐ Required ☐ Optional ☒ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
County License	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Ear tipping*	☒ Required ☐ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Microchip	☐ Required ☐ Optional ☒ Not Available	☐ No ☐ Yes
Other	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes

*** = REQUIRED by grant**

Grant funds cannot be used for the above services except for pain medication, ear tipping, and \$2 per animal for rabies vaccination.

If necessary, please explain the procedures and fees described above:

Per Halifax Humane Society's standard procedure, surgeries include rabies vaccine, ear-tipping and pain medication. These three services are at no additional cost and are included in the \$75 overall fee per cat.

Is this a voucher program? No

If so, how will you assure utilization of the program?

For your voucher program, how have you determined the capacity of the veterinarians listed above to handle the projected capacity?

Will you have the ability to report the number of vouchers issued and the number redeemed for spay/neuter surgeries?

Community Collaboration

Florida Animal Friend values community/inter-agency collaboration. Are there any local groups (such as rescue groups, animal control agencies, TNR groups, local businesses, local media, social service agencies, etc.) other than your organization and your cooperating veterinarians who are committed to assist?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Please list them and detail their level of involvement with the proposed effort.

Name	Level of Involvement
Concerned Citizens for Animal Welfare (CCFAW)	The DBPD partners with Halifax Humane Society as well as Concerned Citizens for Animal Welfare (CCFAW). While the Halifax Humane Society performs spay and neuter surgeries for the department at a cost, CCFAW works with low-income families and individuals to schedule TNRs for their pets through Halifax Humane Society.

Other Information

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

The Daytona Beach Animal Services Unit remains committed to the justice, equality and uniformity in the overall care, welfare and control of its animal population. Officers work diligently with the public to minimize the risk on domesticated cats by sterilizing the free-roaming cat colonies seen throughout Daytona Beach. In doing so, our cat population can prosper in a healthy manner and we can reduce the neglectful spread of common cat diseases. By working through the barriers of high service costs, the DBPD can continue this vital TNR program for its citizens. Our officers are well trained and certified, and have the desire to care for animals in as humane a way as possible. Through the funding support of this opportunity, the DBPD can continue to reduce the community cat population that overruns portions of the city by meeting the demands head-on.

Budget

Total number of sterilization surgeries projected:

Cats: 333 **Dogs:** 0

Total budget requested (Budget should not exceed \$25,000): \$25,000.00

Average cost/surgery projected: \$76.00

Describe any other funding sources for this program, i.e. other grants, targeted fundraising efforts, budget allocation, etc.

The Daytona Beach Police Department currently budgets \$36,000/year to implement the TNR Program for free roaming community cats. However, that budget does not cover the demand seen through calls for service that come in daily for community cats. Due to budgetary constraints, this budget line item was significantly reduced from years prior, in which TNR expenses totaled approximately \$60,000. The \$25,000 grant proposed here will allow the department to maintain the same level of service and operation as previous years, even with the reduced budget.

What percent of the total cost of the program would this projected grant cover?

41.67

If not 100%, please elaborate.**Timeline****PROJECTS CANNOT BEGIN UNTIL GRANT FUNDS ARE RECEIVED, usually before September 1.****All projects must be completed within 12 months of receipt of funding, with the final report submitted no later than September 1 of the following year.****Projected start date:** 09/01/26/ **Projected end date:** 08/31/27**Unexpended funds**

Any unexpended funds must be refunded to Florida Animal Friend within 30 days of the end of the project.

Requests for extensions

Requests for time extensions are discouraged and not often granted. If it is imperative to request an extension, such request must be made in writing at least 30 days prior to the end of the project. It is FAF's policy to seldom grant more than a 30-60 day extension.

Failure to submit reports and requests within the required time period will impact your agency's future grant applications.**Future Funding to Sustain Public Spay/Neuter*****Explain how the organization plans to fund this program in the future. Having sustainable plans including other grants, local donations and other services generating revenue enhances the chances of receiving this grant.**

Due to the rising costs of TNR with our partnering agency as well as budgetary constraints, the DBPD will issue a Request for Proposals for TNR services within the next fiscal year. The department is committed to maintaining the same level of service despite these budgetary constraints and therefore, will strive to reduce the individual cost of each spay/neuter surgery overall. Additionally, the City has begun conversations with neighboring municipalities to work in collaboration and implement a regional solution to animal control needs, which will include TNR programs. It is the goal that this regional solution could aid in reducing costs while still maintaining an exceptional level of service.

Promotion of Florida Animal Friend Spay/Neuter License Plate***Applicants selected for funding are expected to actively publicize their grant in support of their spay/neuter program and promote the sale of the Animal Friend license plate. Publicity efforts should include press releases, newsletters, website links, and social media posts, among other strategies. Florida Animal Friend's marketing firm will provide assistance and advice, and partner with your organization to achieve coverage. Please describe your plan to promote the Florida Animal Friend Spay/Neuter License Plate. Grantees are required to submit documentation of promotional endeavors with their final report as part of their reporting obligations.**

The DBPD will issue a press release acknowledging the acceptance of the grant. Additionally, the PD Public Information Office and the City's Communications Team will use social media, the Animal Services website, newsletters and press releases to reach the public audience. Flyers can also be developed through the communication team and distributed as needed either virtually or in print form at select events and locations.

Number of FAF specialty plates on vehicles of staff and/or volunteers:

Unknown