

Grant ID: 2387

Title of Proposal: Community Low Cost Spay and Neuter Clinics**Agency Type:** Non-Profit**Total Funding Requested:** \$25,000.00**Check Payable To:** Edgewater Animal Shelter

Application Information

Demographics

Name of Applicant Agency:	Edgewater Animal Shelter Inc	Website Address:	edgewateranimalshelter.org
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State:	Florida	Zip:	32132
Organization Business Phone (xxx-xxx-xxxx):	386-402-7476	County:	Volusia
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Agency Details

EIN:0% "> EIN: 83-2642132**Date of 501(c)(3) Incorporation:** 01/01/2019**Dates of Last Fiscal Year: Begin:** 01/01/25 **End:** 12/31/25**Organization Income in Last Fiscal Year:** \$553,141.32**Organization Expenses in Last Fiscal Year:** \$571,206.70**Number of Paid Employees:** Full Time: 2 Part Time: 19**How did you learn of the 2009 Florida Animal Friend grant competition?** 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
2387	2026	Community Low Cost Spay and Neuter Clinics	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:

472 cats and 319 dogs were admitted.

371 cats and 274 dogs were adopted, transferred, or other live outcome.

78 cats and 38 dogs were euthanized.

525 cats and 386 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.

We currently spay and neuter and vaccinate all intact animals under care and offer a low cost wellness clinic that offers vaccinations, spay and neutering to the community. We have a surgical suite located in our shelter. Dr. Kayla Kurtz, DVM has been our on staff veterinarian and clinic veterinarian since 2018 and she is assisted by one full time vet tech and 2 part time vet techs on our staff.

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

We offer low cost spay and neutering to our community and surrounding areas through our wellness clinic. Our spay and neuter clinic is by appointment only, with pets being dropped off in the morning and picked up later in the afternoon.

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

Cats: 264 Dogs: 242

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.):

Volusia county

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

We believe that lack of affordable spay and neuter and pet care services for the community contribute to over population. In addition, lack of consequences for individuals defying city spay and neuter ordinances contribute as well.

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?

Our shelter wellness clinic is one of the few low cost clinics in the area, but we have a hard time keeping up with demand. There are many veterinary offices offering spay and neuter services but the soaring prices make them unaffordable for many in the community.

Objectives

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

We like to fund more low-cost spay/neuter surgeries for those with limited incomes, fund more surgery days with appropriate staff and necessary surgical resources, and in doing this we to prevent more unwanted litters, reducing shelter intake, and promoting healthier pets and responsible ownership—creating lasting impact for our community.

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

We expect this program to increase the number of surgeries by at least one-third and potentially double last year's total.

Methods

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

For our low-cost spay and neuter clinic, services are available to all pet owners with pets that meet age and size requirements. We do not restrict participation, as there is a significant need to serve the large population of unaltered pets in our community.

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

Our clinics will be promoted through social media, in-shelter flyers, and outreach by partners and volunteers via their platforms and word of mouth.

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

Volunteers will assist with transportation coordination, and staff and volunteers will help complete required forms, support individuals with limited literacy, and address language or cultural barriers through translation programs and online tools.

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

Our program generally does not provide transportation; however, when needed, staff and volunteers have assisted clients with transportation.

Veterinary Services

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

Our contracted veterinarian Dr Kayla Kurtz, DVM of Bayside Veterinary Services has agreed to perform the outside spay and neuter services through our wellness clinics.

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
Bayside Veterinary Services	605 Mango Tree Dr	Edgewater	FL	32132	386-424-7978	☒

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	\$60.00	\$40.00	\$100.00
Range for Female Cats	\$80.00	\$70.00	\$150.00
Range for Male Dogs	\$125.00	\$75.00	\$200.00
Range for Female Dogs	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$250.00

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 \$18.00
Other Vaccination if Due	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☐ No ☒ Yes \$18.00
Pain Medication*	☒ Required ☐ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Parasite Medication	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☐ No ☒ Yes \$15.00
HW Testing	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☐ No ☒ Yes \$35.00
Feline Leuk/FIV	☐ Required ☐ Optional ☒ Not Available	☐ No ☒ Yes \$30.00
County License	☐ Required ☐ Optional ☒ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Ear tipping*	☐ Required ☒ Optional ☐ Not Available	☒ No ☐ Yes
Microchip	☐ Required ☐ Optional ☒ Not Available	☐ No ☒ Yes \$30.00
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:

If awarded the grant, we would implement set clinic fees for spay, neuter, and related services.

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
Brevard Humane Society	Brevard Humane Society is partnering with shelter. We have promoted each other as well transferred animals for increased adoption chances and provided vetting services to adoptable animals.
City of Edgewater Animal Control Services	We provide animal intake for Edgewater Animal Control services. They promote our shelter and shelter services.
Concerned Citizens for Animal Welfare	We have promoted all that CCFAW has to offer and they have promoted our shelter and services. We have provided veterinary care for some of their animals and have taken some I t o be adopted through our shelter. They told us about this grant and have been very supportive of us.
Edgewater Rotary Club	Edgewater Rotary clubs promotes our shelter an services and provides much needed donations to us.
Haley Vezza, Realtor	Haley Vezza has been both a helpful volunteer and promoter of shelter and services.
Sophie's Circle Dog Rescue	Sophie's Circle is a partner rescue. We mutually promote each other and our available pets. We provide low cost veterinary services to Sophie's Circle pets. We have transferred in pets from Sophie's to help them and they for us.
South Daytona Animal Control	We provide animal intake for South Daytona Animal Control services. They promote our shelter and shelter services.
Volusia County Animal Control Services	We provide animal intake for Volusia County Animal Control services. They promote our shelter and shelter services.

Other Information

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

By offering lower-cost spay and neuter services, we aim to increase community use of our clinic, reduce unwanted litters and pet overpopulation, and help owners afford care they may have previously thought was out of reach. This, in turn, will help the overpopulation of animals, keep pets in their homes and reduce the number of animals entering our shelter.

Budget

Total number of sterilization surgeries projected:

Cats: 750 **Dogs:** 550

Total budget requested (Budget should not exceed \$25,000): \$20,000.00

Average cost/surgery projected: \$16.00

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

We have a \$15, 000 per month budget allocation for our outside spay and neuter surgeries.

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

40

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: 07/01/26/ **Projected end date:** 06/30/27

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.**

Our program is supported through a diversified and sustainable funding strategy that combines earned revenue, community support, and philanthropic investment. The program's operating costs include surgical and medical supplies, medications, veterinary and technician staffing, and facility-related expenses necessary to maintain a high standard of care. Moving forward, we will continue generating revenue through low-cost community clinics and client services designed to expand access to essential veterinary care while supporting program operations. These services help offset operational expenses and contribute to the long-term stability of the surgical program. In addition, we actively pursue grant opportunities, corporate partnerships, and individual donations to subsidize program costs. Grant funding plays a critical role in expanding surgical capacity, stabilizing operations, and ensuring that financial barriers do not prevent or discourage owners from seeking to spay and neuter their pets. By combining earned revenue with external funding sources, we are building a long-term, sustainable model that allows us to increase the number of animals served, strengthen community impact, and maintain high-quality surgical care well into the future.

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.**

Our promotion efforts will include targeted social media campaigns highlighting how the Animal Friend license plate purchases directly support our spay and neuter clinic and in turn the community. These campaigns will feature real success stories, before-and-after outcomes, and clear calls to action. We will also leverage on-site promotion at the shelter, low-cost clinics, adoption events, and community outreach programs. Informational signage, flyers, and staff engagement will educate visitors on the impact of Animal Friend license plate sales and encourage participation.

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

Unknown