

Grant ID: 2477

Title of Proposal: Expanded TNR in Duval County**Agency Type:** Non-Profit**Total Funding Requested:** \$25,000.00**Check Payable To:** Lucky Cat Adoptions, Inc.

Application Information

Demographics

Name of Applicant Agency:	Lucky Cat Adoptions, Inc.	Website Address:	luckycatadoptions.com
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Agency Details

EIN:0% "> EIN: 20-2133234**Date of 501(c)(3) Incorporation:** 01/03/2005**Dates of Last Fiscal Year: Begin:** 01/01/25 **End:** 12/31/25**Organization Income in Last Fiscal Year:** \$164,062.00**Organization Expenses in Last Fiscal Year:** \$146,632.00**Number of Paid Employees:** Full Time: 0 Part Time: 0**How did you learn of the 2009 Florida Animal Friend grant competition?** We have known about it since inception.**Year(s) of previous Florida Animal Friend grants (if applicable):****Previous Florida Animal Friend Applications:** Years Funded: 2008 Year(s) denied/incomplete: 2025**Auto-Generated (Previous Applications):**

Grant #	Proposal Year	Proposal Title	Status
1548	2006		Denied
1549	2008		Funded

2291	2025	TNR Community Outreach	Denied
2477	2026	Expanded TNR in Duval County	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):

Name	Title
Cameron Moore	President

Applicant Qualifications

For your organization, in the last complete fiscal year:

- 748 cats and 0 dogs were admitted.
- 748 cats and 0 dogs were adopted, transferred, or other live outcome.
- 0 cats and 0 dogs were euthanized.
- 970 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.

Lucky Cat Adoptions is an all-volunteer organization serving Greater Jacksonville since 2005. Our work focuses on two core programs: rescuing at-risk cats from regional municipal shelters for adoption and providing targeted Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) services. Each year, our small but dedicated team helps 700–800 cats through our adoption program; in 2025 alone, we placed 748 cats into loving homes. Our TNR program focuses on underserved areas within the Jacksonville metropolitan region, working to humanely reduce community cat overpopulation in lower-income neighborhoods. In 2025, we provided TNR services for 360 cats, improving animal welfare while supporting residents and reducing shelter intake. Lucky Cat Adoptions is led by President Cameron Moore, who has more than 20 years of experience developing practical animal-welfare solutions for local and national organizations. She currently leads the shelter consultation program for the Maddie's® Million Pet Challenge and launched Duval County's citywide TNR initiative, Feral Freedom, in 2008. Cameron is a frequent presenter at regional and national animal welfare conferences.

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

Every cat served by Lucky Cat Adoptions is sterilized prior to adoption or through our Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program. If an adoptable cat is not already altered when pulled from a shelter, we cover the surgery cost through one of our partner clinics. In 2025, we sterilized 360 community cats through TNR and an additional 610 cats who entered our adoption program intact. Our TNR program specifically assists residents who cannot safely trap or transport neighborhood cats on their own. Many of the caretakers we serve live in lower-income communities and are elderly, disabled, or without reliable transportation. Others face mobility limitations that make trapping or clinic transport impossible. For these residents, sterilization fees whether at private veterinary practices or low-cost High-Volume High-Quality Spay/Neuter (HVSQSN) clinics are simply unaffordable. For many households, even maintaining a regular food supply for community cats is a challenge; covering the costs of multiple surgeries is out of reach. By removing these barriers, Lucky Cat Adoptions ensures that community cats are humanely sterilized, shelter intake is reduced, and vulnerable residents receive practical support in caring for the animals in their neighborhoods.

Number of animals sterilized in that program in the past year:
Cats: 970 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.):

Duval County

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

We see the consequences of limited spay/neuter access every day through social media pleas for help with unwanted litters and through the friendly, adoptable cats we rescue from area shelters that lack TNR programs. The primary barriers to universal sterilization in Jacksonville are the cost of those services, and the practical challenges residents face in trapping and transporting community cats. In many cases, caretakers are willing to help but lack the physical ability, transportation, or resources to do so without assistance. For community cat sterilizations, the free Duval Cat Fix program places a monthly cap on the number of cats allowed which part of this proposal addresses.

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?

Jacksonville is fortunate to have Every Pet, a high-volume, low-cost spay/neuter clinic with strong surgical capacity. Duval County also supports residents through the SpayJax program, which provides up to six free pet sterilization surgeries annually for qualifying low-income pet owners, and the Duval Cat Fix program for pet cats and community cats. Every Pet serves as the sole clinic provider for both initiatives. In addition, Seaglass Spay Neuter Clinic offers low-cost services that help expand local capacity but at a slightly higher cost including vaccination fees. Despite these resources, many residents who want to sterilize neighborhood cats still face significant barriers. Service fees, especially when multiple cats are involved, remain difficult for low-income caretakers, and many people cannot safely trap or transport cats to clinics during limited drop-off times. Others lack vehicles, physical ability, or flexibility in their work schedules. The Duval Cat Fix program allows residents to bring up to six pet or community cats per month but does not extend those services to nonprofit groups trapping on behalf of community members, leaving a gap for caretakers who rely on organizations like Lucky Cat Adoptions for assistance.

Objectives

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

There will be two segments to our TNR program: 1-Targeted TNR in Priority Areas: Our current work focuses on Jacksonville's west side, particularly in low-income communities such as mobile home parks, apartment complexes, and nearby commercial corridors where large cat colonies have been identified. Our trapping volunteers concentrate on these high-need locations and provide full-service TNR for residents who cannot trap or transport cats themselves. Every Pet will also help identify additional priority areas using their GIS data to ensure resources are directed where they will have the greatest impact. 2-Expanded Community Access: Many residents are feeding more than six community cats and need to sterilize them quickly to prevent additional litters, but the Duval Cat Fix program's six-cats-per-month limit creates a barrier. Through this grant, we will provide these caretakers with access to TNR services at Every Pet at no cost, helping to close this gap. Plus, Every Pet's low-cost TNR package of \$60 per cat remains unaffordable for many households. This is another gap that we will be able to close. If funded, FAF grant support will allow us to act quickly to sterilize cats, maximizing impact and reducing future shelter intake.

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

Lucky Cat Adoptions provided TNR services for 360 community cats in 2025, up from 198 cats the previous year, and we are on pace to match or exceed last year's results in the first months of this year. We have also received a couple of smaller TNR grants during the year. One just in, one to be requested. Because demand for services is up and our volunteer trapping capacity is likely to remain steady, any FAF-funded surgeries directed to area caretakers will represent additional sterilizations beyond our current baseline. Even without additional grant funding, this project would increase our annual impact by at least 15%, from 360 to approximately 416 cats sterilized, by supporting community members we are currently unable to assist.

Methods

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

Duval County residents who cannot afford surgical fees or who are unable to trap and/or transport cats independently can receive assistance. Through conversations with caretakers, we can determine whether they are physically able to perform trapping and lifting tasks and provide support when needed. For the broader community, we will not impose additional screening criteria, as doing so would create unnecessary barriers to care. Residents in need who do not qualify for the Duval Cat Fix program or who have already used their allotted surgeries at Every Pet may access services through this alternative option. As part of its standard intake process, Every Pet requires proof of Duval County residency to establish eligibility, and this requirement will also apply to these grant-funded services.

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

When a specific neighborhood has been targeted, we announce our presence with postcards and door hangers left at residences and businesses and through word of mouth. We work closely with property managers and maintenance workers at mobile home parks and apartment communities to help them manage their community cat situation. We have been an integral TNR group in this county for more than 20 years, even before starting our nonprofit. We will also be receiving referrals from staff at both Every Pet and Jacksonville Animal Care & Protective Services when people call them for help or advice on community cats they wish to have trapped and neutered.

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

Part of this grant will be targeted to those who have transportation issues. We provide that for them in addition to trapping. Working with property managers helps address many cultural issues in mobile home parks and apartment complexes. For those who can trap independently, we can provide transport if needed.

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

Lucky Cat Adoptions' volunteers transport all TNR cats to the clinic in our vehicles and then return them to their outdoor homes the day following surgery. We adhere to safe transport protocols for SUVs and never place cats in open-backed trucks.

Veterinary Services

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

We have arranged a partnership with Every Pet in Jacksonville (FKA First Coast No More Homeless Pets) to provide all services related to this project.

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
Every Pet	6817 Norwood Ave.	Jacosnville	FL	32208	904-425-0005	☒

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	\$60.00	\$60.00
Range for Female Cats	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$60.00
Range for Male Dogs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Range for Female Dogs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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:

The \$60 service fee includes cost for the rabies vaccination. No other services will be necessary as part of this program.

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
Every Pet	In addition to being our lead service provider for the program, their staff can refer people who ask for advice and help on community cats with the option to contact Lucky Cat Adoptions. This applies to those needing help trapping or transporting on their own or those who are seeking alternatives to the Duval Cat Fix program once they have exceeded their monthly limit.

Name	Level of Involvement
Jacksonville Animal Care and Protective Services	Their staff, especially those receiving phone inquiries, can also function in the same referral capacity as described for Every Pet.

Other Information

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

This is not a voucher program as certificates or vouchers will not be distributed or need to be presented for service. We have set up this program with Every Pet and they will create a Lucky Cat FAF/TNR package within their clinic software. This will be similar to their tracking system for their SpayJax and Duval Cat Fix programs and other grants they receive. It will be applied to both the TNR cats our group traps and to TNR cats brought in by Duval County residents. This is important for the engagement of the general population as it removes one of the barriers for service that is present with voucher distribution and collection.

Budget

Total number of sterilization surgeries projected:

Cats: 416 **Dogs:** 0

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

Average cost/surgery projected: \$60.00

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

Our TNR budget as it stands now is \$22,000 annually, based on our own trapping of 360 cats. We received a \$10,000 dedicated TNR grant in November 2025, from the Fleming Family Foundation, a Jacksonville-based grant maker. It will be used in its entirety by the end of April. We will be applying for a renewal in the summer. We have just received a \$2,500 grant from our Community Foundation for Northeast Florida. It will be used up by the end of June. There are no other dedicated TNR grants pending or scheduled for application. Our general treasury can absorb most of our TNR expenses beyond these two grants. But we will not be able to expand our reach by offering the alternative to the Duval Cat Fix program as proposed here without this grant from the Florida Animal Friend.

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

71

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.**

The long-term sustainability of our program is a high priority for Lucky Cat Adoptions. Because we are committed to building a legacy of impact, we recognize that we must ensure our future by diversifying our funding. By doing so, we can both serve our community

today while protecting our resources necessary to fulfill our mission tomorrow. Our funding strategies include building relationships with other foundations, cultivating support from corporate sponsors and individual donors, increasing revenues from special events, continually analyzing our appeal process, and expanding income generation by converting our small donors into sustainers through automatic monthly gifts using simple tools like social payment networks. We are looking to establish more partnerships with local businesses for in-kind donations, with food and litter being the most readily available goods for animal welfare groups. These efforts have proven to be successful in that we now have liquid cash reserves equal to 12 months of operating expenses.

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.**

We will place your logo and promotional link on our website as well as on our Facebook page as our dedicated social media coordinator actively engages on Facebook. These platforms raise further awareness about our cause and the license plate, too. We will also order and distribute your rack cards as a hand-out in our adoption packages and to everyone we serve in the TNR program during the grant period.

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

2