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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Beth Ward, Animal Services Director

Date: February 28, 2023

Subject: Appropriations Adjustment within the Animal Benefit Fund for the Spay and Neuter Program Allocations

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE Appropriations and Revenue Adjustment No. 005042 authorizing revenue in the amount of \$6,280 from the Animal Benefit Fund Balance and appropriating it for the Animal Benefit Fund Spay and Neuter Program in the Animal Services Department.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$6,280 would be appropriated from fund balance. (100% Animal Benefit Fund)

BACKGROUND:

On December 8, 2020, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors approved and adopted Resolution No. 2020/326 which authorized the Department Director to implement the following programs within the Animal Benefit Fund beginning FY 2021/22:

1. Medical Assistance Program: This program is for medical assistance and emergency veterinary care for animals that are in the County's jurisdiction and/or have been accepted into the County shelter's care. Funds will be used for medical care over and above the mandated medical care for animals in the care of the shelter and who need further assistance to be made available for adoption or released to a transfer agency. Funds may also be used to provide necessary medical care to an animal to help keep

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Action of Board On: 02/28/2023 APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED OTHER	
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VOTE OF SUPERVISORS	
AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor Candace Andersen, District II	I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.
Supervisor Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor	ATTESTED: February 28, 2023
Ken Carlson, District IV Supervisor Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor	Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Humane Education Program: This program helps to support humane education services in our county either by bringing people into County shelter or taking County education programs "on the road" into the community. Humane Education support may also be used to help pet owners resolve behavioral problems that might otherwise cause them to give up their pet, to help shelter animals with behavioral issues that might keep them from being easily adopted, and to create humane education programs for school age children.

- Shelter Intervention Program: Often, families in a crisis turn to surrendering their pet to a shelter due to lack of financial resources. The intervention program helps to provide resources to keep animals in their homes. Examples of intervention tools: spay/neuter, behavior/training assistance, fence repair and grooming. This program may also be used to help domestic violence victims or seniors on limited incomes to keep their pets in their lives when they may otherwise have had to consider relinquishment due to lack of funds for basic daily needs or medical concerns.
- Spay Neuter and Wellness Program: This program would make spay/neuter, vaccinations, and microchips more affordable and accessible in Contra Costa County. Contra Costa Animal Services will accomplish this by establishing partnerships and developing mobile programs to reach into the areas of our county in greatest need, targeting the species/breeds of animals most likely to be found in our shelter, and supporting healthy community cats through TNR/RTF (trap-neuter-return / return-to-field) and Working Cat Adoptions.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If not approved, the Animal Benefit Fund spay and neuter program will not have the funds for additional spay and neuter services for the community.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

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