



HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT

PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION

Healthy People Living in Healthy Communities Throughout El Dorado County

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Pet Smart Charities Grants
19601 N. 27th Ave.
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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is written in support of Animal Outreach of the Mother Lode (Animal Outreach) and their intent to apply to your organization for a grant to assist in the trapping, sterilizing and rehoming of over fifty cats in a feral cat colony located in the County of El Dorado. Capacity at the El Dorado County Animal Shelter is limited, and insufficient to provide care and shelter for large numbers of feral cats; therefore, Animal Outreach has developed a plan to assist these animals.

Animal Outreach of the Mother Lode, located in Diamond Springs is a low cost not-for-profit animal rescue group and spay/neuter clinic whose mission is to reduce the number of cats euthanized in the area by providing low cost spay/neuter and relocation programs. Their grant proposal is consistent with the Health Services Department Animal Services Program's goal of reducing overpopulation of stray animals in the County. Animal Outreach and the County Animal Services Program have worked collaboratively throughout the years towards this mutual goal.

Our agency recognizes the excellent care that Animal Outreach provides with their rescue / sterilization / relocation program for cats in our community and supports their proposal to assist these animals.

If I can be of any further assistance or answer any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (530) 621-6638.

Sincerely,

Henry Brzezinski, Chief Animal Control Officer – County of El Dorado

Cc: Animal Outreach of the Mother Lode