

**MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Animal Services Division**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services
James T. Gandley, D.D.S, M.P.H., Assistant Director

DATE: December 19, 2006

SUBJECT: Animal Services Spay/Neuter Grants

ACTION REQUESTED:

Authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign spay and neuter grant agreements in the amount of \$5,000 each with the Friends of Auburn/Tahoe Vista Placer County Animal Shelter, Animal Spay & Neuter, and FieldHaven Feline Rescue.

BACKGROUND:

In August, grant requests were received from three local non-profit organizations for operation of spay and neuter subsidy programs for animals of residents within Placer County: Friends of Auburn/Tahoe Vista Placer County Animal Shelter, Animal Spay & Neuter, and FieldHaven Feline Rescue. Animal Services has reviewed these requests and, with the approval of Health and Human Services, is recommending these three organizations for receipt of grants in the amount of \$5,000 each. These grants will be funded by the Placer County Trust Fund for Animals, Spay and Neuter Subsidies program.

Placer County Trust Fund for Animals provides resources to meet the needs of neglected, abused, and adoptable animals within Placer County. Gifts to the Placer County Trust Fund for Animals help to provide for the needs of sheltered animals which are not funded by the County or any other agency, group or foundation. Donations to the trust fund are solicited in multiple ways, including the Placer County Combined Giving Campaign and the inclusion of inserts for voluntary contributions with annual property tax statements. The Trust Fund includes multiple categories to which donations may be designated, including Auburn Shelter, Tahoe Shelter, Where the Need is Greatest, Education and Publicity Projects, and Spay and Neuter Subsidies. The grants included in this action are all drawn from the Spay and Neuter Subsidies category.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Animal Services has sufficient funding in the Placer County Trust Fund for Animals to fulfill these grant requests. There is no required County General Fund contribution.

The following Grant Agreements for:

- 1. Friends of Auburn/Tahoe Vista
Placer county Animal Shelter**
- 2. Animal Spay & Neuter**
- 3. FieldHaven Feline Rescue**

is on file with the Clerk of the Board
for BOS meeting:

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