



MEMORANDUM

Date: October 27, 2021

To: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: Jan Leshner 
Chief Deputy County
Administrator

Re: **Pima Animal Care Center (PACC) Snip N' Tip Event**

Pima Animal Care Center (PACC) held its first large public spay and neuter event for community cats on October 15-17. Over 550 cats were brought to the shelter over the three-day event. In addition to sterilization, each cat was provided vaccinations, microchipped, and ear-tipped to visibly identify the cat as altered.

In addition to PACC veterinarians and clinic staff, PACC partnered with community veterinarians, the University of Arizona, Pima Medical Institute, and various community cat coalition partners to make this event a success.

PACC has sterilized over 1,300 community cats to date and expects that number to increase to over 4,000 this fiscal year. Ms. Dangler's memorandum providing details of the event is attached.

Attachment

c: Francisco Garcia, MD, MPH, Deputy County Administrator & Chief Medical Officer
Monica Dangler, Animal Services Director

Date: Oct 26, 2021

To: Chuck Huckelberry
County Administrator

From: Monica Dangler 
Director Animal Services

Re: PACC Snip N' Tip Event

PACC held its first ever mega Trap-Neuter-Return event October 15-17, 2021. The results were outstanding, sterilizing 553 cats. In addition to sterilization, each cat was provided vaccinations, microchip, and ear tip (visibly identifies a cat as altered). This has brought the number of Community Cats sterilized by PACC since the beginning of fiscal year 21/22 to 1,329. Thanks to the additional Trap-Neuter-Return veterinary staffing PACC has begun adding, it is expected that PACC will sterilize more than 4,000 Community Cats this fiscal year. PACC is expecting to conduct another mega event in February 2022.

This event was possible thanks to the following groups:

PACC staff and volunteers

- 4 PACC vets were ready to assist with surgery as needed throughout the weekend.
- PACC clinic staff were scheduled for the entire weekend support PACC's largest TNR effort ever.
- Veteran clinic volunteers Sharon and Steve Woolridge and Maggie Hardy who helped with anesthesia monitoring, recovery, transport, education, and more.
- 20 PACC volunteers who contributed more than 200 hours assisting with intake of cats, cleaning recovery rooms and clinic areas, and discharge.
- Nine volunteer Veterinarians monitored TNR S/N and trained vet students on perioperative exams, anesthesia, surgery, recovery: Drs. Chantelle Khambholja, Karen Wesley, Kenneth Compton, Anna Yoshino, Kelly Hamp, Katrina Paredes, Victoria Olsen-Miki, Leesa Rostrom, Charlotte Begaye, Erin O'Donnell's techs from Northwest/VCA Pet Clinic.
- 52 University of Arizona Shelter Med vet students who participated in neuter surgery and anesthesia support and recovery.
- 3 Pima Medical Institute (PMI) CVT instructors oversaw 3 senior Veterinary tech students and 14 tech students who powered anesthetic recovery, parasite treatment, ear and general care for hundreds of cats.
- 2 Pima Joint Technical Education District (JTED) CVT instructors and 2 technician lab managers oversaw 12 JTED high school students who cleaned, transported cats from induction to surgery, and recovered cats from anesthesia with observation.

Community Cat Coalition Partners

- Saving Animal From Euthanasia
- Lifeline Oro Valley Animal Rescue
- Southern Arizona Cat Rescue

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- Saving At Risk Animals
- Spay and Neuter Solutions, Inc.
- Pawsitively Cats
- Paws Patrol of Green Valley
- Hermitage No Kill Cat Sanctuary
- Moon & Stars Animal Rescue
- No-Kill Pima County
- Humane Society of Southern Arizona
- Friends of PACC

Donors

- Friends of Pima Animal Care Center for sponsoring the event
- Petco Love who provide a \$250,000 Lifesaving grant early this year that covered the costs of consumables. They also provided all of the HCP vaccines.
- Clara Lee Arnold, Melinda Correll, and Bonnie Kay who provided incentive and prize money to the participating non-profits.

Concur:



Francisco Garcia, Deputy County Administrator



Date

c: Jan Leshar, Chief Deputy County Administrator