

“Operation Cat-Nip” is a proposed pilot program to implement a TNR effort in areas of the community that have reported cat population problems. Property owners of identified problem properties will be offered assistance with trapping the cats, vaccination, sterilization, adoption of tame cats, and return of feral cats. The lasting results of a successful program will not only lower the number of impounded/euthanized cats within our shelter, it will also improve the health of outdoor cats, prevent future litters of kittens, and reduce/eliminate nuisance behaviors.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The numbers of cats assisted through **“Operation Cat-Nip”** will be covered using approved funding for spay/neuter expenditures and funds raised by staff for medical treatment of Shelter animals at events such as the Fur Ball, Cruisin’ Fur Critters and grants from private organizations. No additional funding is being requested for this program.

A successful program has the potential to create cost savings through the reduction of cats being impounded at our shelter and enforcement efforts in the field for nuisance cats.