December 29, 2023

**Memorandum**

To: Animal Shelters in Receipt of State/Local Funds

From: Nikki Falls, NC Spay/Neuter Program Coordinator

Subject: Requirement to Report Shelter Data; Notification of Funding; Maximum Amount Allowed for Procedure Type (estimates)

Enclosed, please find the yearly shelter data report form for the 2023 Calendar Year. The form must be returned to the Animal Welfare Section Office by March 1, 2024. Cities or counties that fail to submit shelter data via this form are not eligible to request reimbursement from the Spay/Neuter Program (pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 19A-64) during the calendar year the data was to be filed, (submission of a 2023 Annual Animal Shelter Report is required in order to request reimbursements for 2024). A generic shelter report form is also available on the Spay/Neuter website, www.ncspayneuter.com.

The five most common species are listed on the report. If this species data does not apply to your shelter, please feel free to leave the line blank. You may return the form to us via fax, email, or U.S. mail; contact information for all the above methods are listed below.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Nikki Falls, Spay/Neuter Program Coordinator:

Phone: (919) 707-3280  
Fax: (919) 733-6431  
Email: nikki.falls@ncagr.gov  
US Mail: NCDA&CS, Veterinary Division

Attn: Spay/Neuter Program – Nikki Falls  
 1030 Mail Service Center  
 Raleigh NC 27699-1030

Additionally, pursuant to N.C. General Statutes, the NC Spay/Neuter Program is to notify each county of funds available for reimbursement. The funding is broken down into the following sources:

1. Appropriated funds; funds transferred quarterly:
   1. $62,500.00 transferred 01/04/2023
   2. $62,500.00 transferred 04/04/2023
   3. $62,500.00 transferred 07/11/2023
   4. $62,500.00 transferred 10/03/2023
2. “I Care” Animal Lovers license plate from DMV; funds transferred quarterly; funds vary dependent on the quantity of plates sold:
   1. $30,573.33 transferred 01/20/2023
   2. $32,660.00 transferred 04/20/2023
   3. $33,961.67 transferred 07/24/2023
   4. $35,260.00 transferred 10/25/2023

Also, pursuant to N.C. General Statutes, the N.C. Spay/Neuter Program is to notify each county of the maximum amount that may be reimbursed for each procedure type (cat spay, cat neuter, dog spay, dog neuter) for 2024. This figure is determined by calculating 150% of the average cost of each procedure type for the entire calendar year of 2023. Since calendar year 2023 has not yet concluded, the figures indicated below are the current **estimates** as of December 29, 2023, and are subject to change after the submission and processing of the fourth quarter 2023 reimbursement requests. Please check the Spay/Neuter website, www.ncspayneuter.com, late February 2024/early March 2024 for the final figures. The estimated figures as of December 29, 2023 are as follows:

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| **Dog Spay** | **Dog Neuter** | **Cat Spay** | **Cat Neuter** |
| $184.83 | $152.55 | $132.56 | $102.15 |