

Animal Shelter Contract - FY24/25

Nevada County OES
Sammie's Friends

Board of Supervisors
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Overview



- Sammie's Background
- Present Work
- Overview of the Contract
- Future Initiatives

Partnerships



Nevada County Animal Control



Sammie's Friends Foundation

- Founded in 2010
- Strong Public Support
- 400+ Volunteers
- Maximizing Live Outcomes



Sammie's Vision

A safe and caring place for neglected, abandoned, and abused animals to be cared for and rehabilitated, when necessary, and adopted as quickly as possible into loving homes.



Statistics



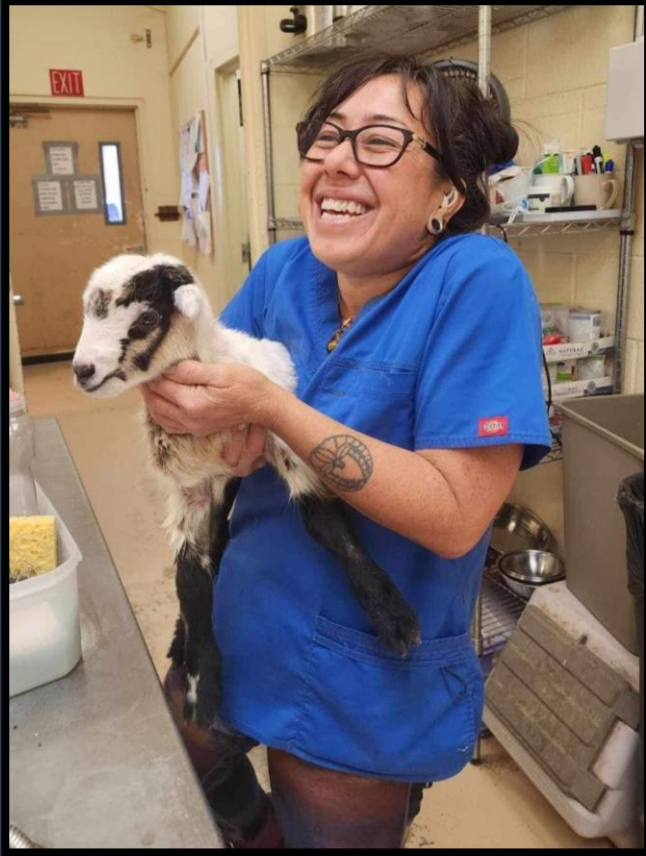
- Sammie's volunteers logged 20,000 hours last year
- Close to 800 adoptions
- Supported over 1,200 animals
- 76% of animals were strays from July-May

Services Sammies Provides

- Abandoned animals
- Seized animal resources
- Owner turn-in program
- Spay/neuter
- Animal adoptions
- Public education
- Medical care for shelter & foster animals
- Animal foster program



Challenges



- Exponential increase in veterinary costs
- Rising wages
- Aging facility
- Increasing animal food costs
- Increasing animal population
- Availability of veterinary services

Contract Budget Overview

FY 23/24

- Current operational budget - \$1.5 million dollars
- County Contract \$987K
- Vet Costs \$367K
- Salaries \$817K

FY 24/25

- Forecast operational budget – \$1.6 million dollars (+\$100K)
- County Contract \$1.1 million
- Vet costs \$433K
- Salaries \$885K

Key Contract Enhancements

- Updated with current standard County contract format and language
- Aligned verbiage with veterinary best practices and animal shelter standards
- Added requirement to complete and submit audited financial statements annually with additional reporting requirements
- Updated structure for costs related to housing/holding animals for criminal cases and added inflator related to spay/neuter cost increases
- Outlined primary changes to reorganization of staffing schedule for enhanced services
- Policies and reporting templates that have been updated from past year



Current Initiatives



- Streamlined adoption processes
- Periodic free adoptions
- Screening and rehabilitation of at-risk dogs
- Staff training in key shelter & animal care areas
- Reduced veterinary costs
- New shelter design/stakeholder collaboration



Questions?