



## Spay/Neuter Program 2022 Report Narrative

Location: Guilford, Randolph, Rockingham and surrounding counties, NC



In 2022, our Spay and Neuter program, through the amazing and effective combination of Dr. Linda East, dedicated local trap-neuter-release (TNR) volunteers and colony caregivers, made it possible to treat a total of 2,700 cats in rural counties of central North Carolina, several of which do not have spay/neuter programs, from January through December at total cost of \$121,500.

Dr. East shares some experiences from last year's work:

- \* We specialize in large colonies, where our trappers go in and quickly get as many cats as they can until the colony is completed.
- \* We provided medical/surgical care for 268 cats, including several with severe wounds, those who needed dental procedures, eye enucleations, eye entropions, and treatment for diarrhea and parasites.
- \* One cat in particular came in with a horrific eye wound that we were able to remove. After recovering from surgery, he and got the very best home possible.
- \* We placed 98 kittens and cats into rescue groups.
- \* We offer free all our patient cats rabies vaccines (about 2,700 in 2022), FVRCP vaccines for kittens, flea/tick preventive treatment, ear mite medication, wound treatment, overnight care for two nights, fluids for pregnant cats and pain medication during recovery.

This program is funded annually by foundation grants and individual donations. In its 12 years, our program has treated and released more than 8,000 cats, greatly reducing the feral cat population in the target area and the suffering experienced by cats living in the colonies. We're making a difference - with your help. Thank you.

