

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



ITEM: 3.6
(ID # 26642)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

FROM : ANIMAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: ANIMAL SERVICES: Adopt Resolution No. 2024-263, Authorizing the Department of Animal Services to Accept the Donation from United Activists for Animal Rights to be used to spay and neuter dogs only; All Districts. [\$125,000 Total Cost - Donation/Trust Funding 100%]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-263, Authorizing the Department of Animal Services to Accept the Donation from United Activists for Animal Rights to be used to spay and neuter dogs only; and
2. Authorize the Director of Animal Services, to accept and administer this donation made to or in favor of the Department of Animal Services.

ACTION:Policy


Kim Youngberg 12/2/2024

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Spiegel seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: December 10, 2024
xc: Animal Services

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board

By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 125,000	\$ 0	\$ 125,000	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% Donation Funding			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: FY 24/25	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

In October 2024, Riverside County Department of Animal Services (RCDAS) received a donation award from United Activists for Animal Rights to help with the department's important work.

The requirements of this donation are outlined as follows:

- The money will be used to spay and neuter dogs only and is restricted to medium to large dogs belonging to low-income members of the public only.
- Fifty percent of the donation may be used to spay and neuter dogs weighing 30-59 pounds at the time of surgery.
- The other fifty percent must be used for dogs weighing 60-100 plus pounds at the time of surgery. Surgery costs may include pain meds and antibiotics as needed.
- No portion of this donation will be used for dogs belonging to breeders or in adoption programs, rescue programs, foster programs, or shelters or for cats.
- There is no limit of dogs per household.

This donation will help manage pet overpopulation, reduce the risk of transmitting diseases such as rabies to other animals and humans and decrease the risk of acquiring other diseases or health issues such as certain cancers, infections and tumors.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

This resolution will have a positive impact on the residents, homeless and abandoned animals of Riverside County. The donation funding enables the Department of Animal Services to provide spay and neuter services to those animals and residents of greatest need.

ATTACHMENT:

- A. Resolution of Acceptance No. 2024-263
- B. Donation award letter and check

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Jason Farin, Principal Management Analyst

12/5/2024



Bruce G. Fordon

12/4/2024

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY: B. G. FORDON DATE: 11/27/2024

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RESOLUTION NO. 2024-263
AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT DONATION OF \$125,000.00 TO RIVERSIDE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, in October 2024, Riverside County Department of Animal Services (“RCDAS”) received a \$125,000.00 donation from United Activists for Animal Rights to help control the dog population;

WHEREAS, the donation funds are limited to paying for or subsidizing spay and neuter surgeries for the dogs owned by low-income families or individuals;

WHEREAS, fifty percent of the donation may be used to spay and neuter dogs weighing 30-59 pounds at the time of surgery; the other fifty percent must be used for dogs weighing 60 or more pounds at the time of surgery, including pain medications and antibiotics as needed; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 25355, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors may accept any gifts or donations made to or in favor of the County from other public sources for any public purpose, specific or general;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California (The “Board”), in regular session assembled on December 3, 2024 at 9:30 A.M., or soon thereafter in the meeting room of the Board of Supervisors located on the first floor of the County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California, authorizes and accepts the donation of \$125,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED that the Riverside County Department of Animal Services Director, or designee, accept and administer this donation made out to or in favor of the Department of Animal Services.

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7 ROLL CALL:

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9 Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Spiegel, Perez, and Gutierrez

10 Nays: None

11 Absent: None

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14 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of
15 Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

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17 KIMBERLY A. RECTOR, Clerk of said Board

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19 By:  _____
20 Deputy

United Activists for Animal Rights

Erin Gettis, Director
Riverside Animal Control (RAC)
6851 Van Buren Blvd.
Riverside, CA 92509

October 25, 2024

Dear Erin Gettis,

United Activists for Animal Rights is pleased to award Riverside Animal Control (RAC) a donation of \$125,000 to help you with your important work.

Please note, this money is to be used to spay and neuter dogs only and is restricted to medium to large dogs belonging to low-income members of the public only. Fifty percent of the grant may be used for dogs weighing 30-59 pounds at the time of surgery; the other fifty percent must be used for dogs weighing 60-100+ pounds at the time of surgery. Surgery costs may include pain meds and antibiotics as needed. No portion may be used for cats.

These surgeries are to be subsidized to the degree necessary for each individual in order to provide the procedure; no set co-pays are to be required, but the surgeries should not be offered free across the board (although they may be fully subsidized if necessary, for example when working with the homeless population). Ideally, most people being helped will be able to contribute some portion of the cost.

No limit per household.

No portion of this donation may be used for dogs belonging to breeders or in adoption programs, rescue programs, foster programs, or shelters, nor for the general fund or administrative fees.

Finally, please include your Tax ID number on all correspondence acknowledging this donation.

Thank you again for the work you do on behalf of animals.

Regards,



Nancy Burnet
President, United Activists for Animal Rights

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DATE 11-08-24

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PAY
TO THE ORDER
OF

Riverside Animal Control

DOLLARS

\$125,000.⁰⁰

One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand ⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Photo
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FOR

SP - 1/2 dog belonging to
you & homeless

Nancy Burnett

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