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ANIMAL INDUSTRY DIVISION

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# Animal Welfare Grant Application

In accordance with Act 132, PA 2007 as amended. This application must be *received* by October 15th of the year prior to the Grant cycle.

Full Legal Name of Applicant:		Applicant Organization Type?		
		Government/Municipality	Nonprofit/Individual Corporate/LLC LARA ID No. _____ If assumed name, attached?	
Full Legal Name of the Shelter (IF different from the applicant above):		Shelter Information		
		Control Shelter?	Protection Shelter?	MDARD Reg. #
Federal EIN number:	Address on file for the EIN (select only one):		Amount requested:	Preferred payment cycle:
	Same as Physical address below?    -OR- Same as Mailing address below?		\$ _____ (\$10,000 maximum)	Quarterly    Mid-year End of grant cycle
Physical Address:	City:	State:	Zip Code:	County:
		<b>MI</b>		
Mailing Address if different:	City:	State:	Zip Code:	Fax:
Grantee Contact:	Phone:	Grantee Email:		Website:

The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD), Animal Industry Division (AID), is offering grants pursuant to Public Act 132 of 2007, the Animal Welfare Fund Act. The purpose of the animal welfare fund is as stated in MCL 287.993 is:

*Sec. 3. (1) The animal welfare fund is created in the department to provide funds to promote sterilization and adoption of dogs and cats, to improve knowledge of the proper care of animals pursuant to state animal anticruelty laws by educating the public and training personnel authorized by law to enforce state animal anticruelty laws, to support and enhance programs that provide for the care and protection of animals pursuant to state anticruelty laws, and to allow the purchase of equipment and supplies for programs that receive grants under this act.*

### General Eligibility Requirements and Grant Program Priorities

- Funds will only be awarded to animal shelters currently registered with MDARD pursuant to Public Act 287 of 1969, as amended.
- No more than \$10,000 will be awarded to an individual applicant. If more applications are received than can be supported by available funding, awards will go to the best proposals.
- An Animal Welfare Fund Grant received pursuant to Public Act 132 of 2007, shall not be used to replace funds otherwise designated by a grantee to support similar programs or projects if existing funds for those programs or projects are included in the grantee's budget before receiving a grant under this act.
- Funds may not be used to sterilize privately-owned dogs/puppies or cats/kittens; nor be used to sterilize shelter dogs/puppies or shelter cats/kittens imported into Michigan. Funds may not be used for ancillary procedures such as vaccination, micro-chipping, tests/treatments for conditions/diseases. Funds may not be used for attendees' travel, lodging, or meal expenses at MDARD-approved conferences, workshops, etc. (*only registration fees*). MDARD staff are not eligible for any grant funds.
- Applicants must have submitted their Annual Shelter Activity Report (AI-034) for the previous year's statistics, and the applicant shall have otherwise complied with section 9a of Public Act 287 of 1969, as amended.
- An organization that has previously received an Animal Welfare Fund Grant, that does not comply with the provisions of Public Act 132 of 2007 or the terms of the Grant as determined by MDARD is not eligible for any future grants pursuant to section 7(1) of Public Act 132 of 2007.
- The Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development will have final authority to approve or not approve grant proposals and awards, based upon selection criteria, program priorities, and the merits of the individual applications.

**Grant Funds Available for Registered Shelters**

**We are applying for grant funds for the project categories listed below. You must also fill out the *Project Form* for each project selected. You may select more than one, total projects must not exceed \$10,000.**

**A. SPAY/NEUTER SURGICAL PROGRAMS**

to increase the number of dogs and cats that are sterilized and adopted, to include the purchase of equipment and supplies for this program (i.e. payments to qualified veterinarian pursuant to section 2(d) of Public Act 132 of 2007, for reasonable and customary professional services related to sterilization procedures, payments for transportation of shelter animals to sterilization site, surgical suite equipment or supplies for alteration of shelter animals at the shelter and/or at veterinary practices).

**B. PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS – PROMOTION OF STERILIZATION AND ADOPTION**

to provide information to the public about the value of sterilization and adoption of dogs and cats, to include the purchase of equipment and supplies for this program.

**C. PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS – PROPER CARE OF ANIMALS**

to improve knowledge of the proper care of animals\* pursuant to state animal anticruelty laws by educating the public, to include the purchase of equipment and supplies for this program.

**D. TRAINING FOR AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL**

to improve knowledge of the proper care of animals pursuant to state animal anticruelty laws by training personnel authorized by law to enforce state anticruelty laws (i.e. registration fees for attendance at MDARD-approved conferences, workshops, etc.) to include the purchase of equipment and supplies for this program (i.e. MDARD-approved speaker fees for conferences, workshops, etc.)

**E. CARE AND PROTECTION – ANTICRUELTY PROGRAMS**

to support and enhance programs that provide for the care and protection of animals pursuant to state animal anticruelty laws which provide standards for the adequate care of animals, to include the purchase of equipment and supplies for this program.

**F. CARE AND PROTECTION –SHELTER-HOUSED ANIMALS (CRUELTY)**

to provide support for the costs of the care, housing, and veterinary medical care as applicable for shelter animals that are housed for violations of Chapter IX, Public Act 328 of 1931; MCL 750.49-MCL 750.70, where sentencing does not provide for all or part of the applicable costs.\*\*

\*Public Act 328 of 1931; MCL 750.49 – “Animals” mean vertebrate other than human.  
 \*\*Public Act 328 of 1931; MCL 750.50(8) – Cost of care as part of sentencing”.

Name of the person who filled out this grant application:	Title:	Phone number:
		extn: ____
By signing below, I hereby verify that no one associated with this grant application or proposed project(s) has a conflict of interest with grant process or grant funding. By signing below, I acknowledge that if this organization receives a grant under this act it shall provide a written report of grant-funded activities to MDARD as prescribed by MDARD. I acknowledge that a grant received under this act that does not comply with the provisions of this act or the terms of the grant shall be required to repay to the department the amount of the grant, or a portion of the grant, as determined by the department.		
Signature of the person who would be responsible for implementing and monitoring this grant:	Date:	
Printed name of the person above:	Title:	Phone number:
		extn: ____

**Application must be received (not postmarked) by October 15th.  
 Grant Cycle is February 1<sup>st</sup> – December 31<sup>st</sup>**