

### SUPPORTING RESEARCH

By bringing conservation and environmental issues into focus and motivating the community to join in making improvements we affect positive change within Clark County. Environmental education leads people to take serious and effective action towards critical environmental issues.

Stray or roaming cats and dogs pose a threat to pets, wildlife and humans. They can spread disease because they are usually poorly cared for. They kill wildlife because they are hungry. They are a nuisance getting into trash, hanging around businesses and homes, and defecating and spraying in the areas in which they roam. The failure to spay and neuter animals is the biggest contributor to the number of unwanted animals that overpopulate animal shelters. Pet owners living in poverty are a demographic that is likely unfamiliar with the benefits of spay/neuter for their animals and may not have the financial means to seek out and pay for medical care for their pets. Experts agree that only by spaying and neutering companion animals will we get a handle on pet overpopulation and eliminate the need to euthanize adoptable pets.

# ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION & ANIMALS

## FUNDING INITIATIVES

The healthy future of our planet depends on the choices we make today and requires the participation of every person, community and country. Protecting our natural environment makes the community safer, healthier, more prosperous and more welcoming. Education is the key to encouraging positive behaviors toward community improvement. Focus areas:

- 1) Appreciation of the Environment
- 2) Homeless and Unwanted Pets

## GOAL

INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CITIZENS PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITIES THAT FOSTER AN APPRECIATION OF OUR ENVIRONMENT

#### OBJECTIVE

• Increase community awareness of conservation and environmental issues in Clark County to educate our citizens and businesses and encourage their participation and appreciation of our natural environment.

## GOAL

DECREASE THE NUMBER OF HOMELESS AND UNWANTED PETS IN CLARK COUNTY

#### OBJECTIVE

- Provide free or discounted spay/neuter vouchers to pet owners in undeserved areas of Clark County.
- Shelter cats and dogs will be spayed/neutered before released for adoption

#### DEADLINE

The application deadline for 2018 is Friday, August 17 at 5:00 p.m. Decisions for grant awards are typically announced at the end of November.

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