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Program Progress...

To date, we have TNR'd 198 campus ferals, have found homes for 79 kitties, and have provided medical services for 35 felines (who didn't require sterilization). We have spent over \$15,000 on these endeavors. We recently did an "inventory" of FCaMP kitties still known to be on campus, and it appears that there are about 95 TNR'd campus felines remaining (when the program began, it was estimated that 200-250 cats were on main campus), with roughly a dozen cats still remaining to be trapped, sterilized and returned to campus. Without a doubt, TNR is successfully and humanely controlling the feline population at NMSU!!



Spay and Neuter Your Pets!

Although they may be a few generations removed, many of the campus kitties are the result of uncontrolled breeding of companion cats who are allowed to roam outdoors. Our county Animal Shelter kills thousands of dogs and cats each year because there are too many animals and not enough homes for them. Responsible pet ownership involves more than just providing food and water. Spaying or neutering helps to minimize unwanted behaviors such as roaming and/or fighting, and can reduce the incidence of some medical problems such as uterine tumors in female dogs and cats. Only by spaying and neutering will the seemingly endless flow of unwanted puppies and kittens be stopped. Please spay and neuter your pets, and encourage others to do the same. Full-time NMSU students and low-income county residents can qualify for low-cost vouchers through the Spay and Neuter Action Program (SNAP). Please call them at 524-9265 or go to www.snapnewmexico.org for more information about the program.

Lost and Found...

One of our volunteers kept hearing a kitty meowing on the roof of the Student Health Center. This continued for several days, and so we called the Facilities folks to have a look. They didn't see a cat, but offered to set one of our traps within the roof raceway that houses the building ductwork. The next morning, they called to report that a cat had entered the trap. He must've entered the raceway when OFS was doing maintenance, and then got locked inside. He had already been TNR'd so was released back onto the grounds without incident.

More recently, a kitty escaped from Student Housing, through a damaged window. One of our volunteers reported a "new" kitty in his area which matched the description of the lost cat. "Trouble" is now back home, safe and sound!

Our Financials (2/1/08 - 3/31/09)

Income (aluminum & printer cartridge redemptions, yardsales, ButterBraid, plus some cash donations): \$3437.91

Expenses:

Vet expenses:	\$1874.89
Bank charges:	\$ 53.95
Miscellaneous (PO Box rental, yardsale supplies & ads, etc.)	\$1306.76

Looking Ahead...

Our next yardsale will be in October. If you have items that you would like to donate, please call 639-3036 or send e-mail to fcamp@nmsu.edu. Also, we accept aluminum cans. If you contact us, we will pick up these items.

We have a website: www.nmsu.edu/~fcamp. We try to keep this site updated, and also list adoptable kitties here, so if you're looking for a feline companion, please check out the website!