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Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit Receives \$9,975 Grant from BISSELL Pet Foundation to Reduce the Homeless Pet Population in Southeast Michigan

DEARBORN, MI. June 23, 2020 — Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit (FAMD) is proud to announce it has been awarded a \$9,975 grant from [BISSELL Pet Foundation](#) (BPF) for spay and neuter procedures. FAMD hopes to address overcrowding in shelters and rescues by preventing unwanted litters of cats and dogs in Southeast Michigan.

“Due to COVID-19, veterinary clinics across the country have put critical spay/neuter surgeries on hold for months, leaving thousands of shelter pets unaltered,” said Cathy Bissell, founder of BISSELL Pet Foundation. “Knowing this, BISSELL Pet Foundation is awarding more spay/neuter grant funding than ever to support shelters' needs and ensure the health and safety of pets.”

BPF’s spring grant cycle will award funding to 86 organizations in 28 states totaling \$487,418 for spay/neuter.

The funds FAMD has received from the BISSELL Pet Foundation will allow the organization to provide 365 sterilization surgeries for animals in their care. The funds will also be used to expand community outreach in a new program called Pets for Life, which will help reduce the number of stray/homeless pets and provide resources such as the Feed Fido Food Pantry to help local residents keep their pets in their homes.

“We are truly grateful for the generous funding from the BISSELL Pet Foundation, as it will allow us to sterilize hundreds of animals, therefore not contributing to pet overpopulation,” said Marie Skladd, Director of Philanthropy and Community Engagement at FAMD.

With a mission to find every pet a home, BPF focuses their efforts on adoption, spay/neuter, microchipping and emergency support.

For more information, visit: metrodetroitanimals.org

About [BISSELL Pet Foundation](#):

BISSELL Pet Foundation is a charitable 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to help reduce the number of animals in shelters through pet adoption, spay/neuter programs, microchipping and emergency support. Founded in 2011 by Cathy Bissell, BPF is an extension of her long-standing love for animals and commitment to their welfare. BPF has since partnered with 5,000 shelters and rescues across the U.S. and Canada to help pets find loving homes. The foundation is supported by generous donors and BISSELL Homecare, Inc where every purchase saves pets. To learn more, visit www.bissellpetfoundation.org.

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