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TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM:

Barbara Lipscomb, City Manager W

DATE: *

September 30, 2015

SUBJECT:

Materials for Your Information

Please find attached the following materials for your information:

- 1. A flyer regarding the Pitt County Fall Rabies Clinic on October 10, 2015
- 2. An invitation to attend the 2015 Domestic Violence Awareness Month Candlelight Vigil on October 15, 2015

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Attachments

cc:

Dave Holec, City Attorney Carol Barwick, City Clerk

Barbara Lipscomb

From: Betty Williams <bw8688S@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 10:32 AM

To: Allen M. Thomas; Barbara Lipscomb; Mark Holtzman; Ted D. Sauls; Tim Langley; Calvin

Mercer; Kandie Smith; Rose Glover; Richard Croskery; Rick Smiley; Marion Blackburn;

patty allison; Whaley, Michele; Kristen Kenyon; Kristen Below; Katie Benson

Subject: PetSmart Charities Grant for West Greenville

Attachments: PITT COUNTY FALL RABIES CLINIC.docx

To Greenville Officials, Officers and Advocates,

Spay Today is pleased to announce the receipt of a major grant from PetSmart Charities. This is the first year Pet Smart has offered the "Community Pet Program Grant." Across the nation only thirty grants were awarded out of an applicant pool of 150. This is a great honor and opportunity for Greenville.

Since opening in 2006 we have been working tirelessly to provide low cost spay/neuter services to our region and have sterilized over 34,000 animals. In doing so we have helped prevent the birth of many thousands of unwanted dogs and cats, thus reducing costs to city and county animal control departments and enhancing the lives of citizens and their pets.

Despite these successes there are many people and pets living in poverty that we have not been able to help. Even our lowest fees are out of reach for them. PetSmart asked us to select a concentrated area of poverty and focus intensively on outreach and provision of services. We selected West Greenville due to the endemic and persistent poverty in this area.

The grant provides funds to spay/neuter, vaccinate and provide minor medical care to 550 dogs and cats (including 55 ferals.) It began September 1, 2015 and ends on August 31, 2016. We are already finding these pet owners to be empowered by and grateful for this opportunity to take good care of their beloved animals. We provide education in many aspects of pet care and introduce owners to community resources available to help them in the future.

Greenville has a number of strong and dynamic animal advocacy groups, working both separately and in concert. Spay Today partnered with the Humane Society of Eastern Carolina, the Pet Food Pantry and the Pitt County Animal Shelter to apply for this grant. Strong networking and cooperation between these organizations is one of the reasons our application was successful.

Our first event will be a rabies vaccine clinic on October 10 at The Little Willie Center. Please view the attached flyer.

The following link will provide more information about this grant: https://www.petsmartcharities.org/node/3673

Greenville has long been a beacon for animal advocacy in the East. Now, we are working on the national stage. This is both exciting and challenging. We have a lot to be proud of - and a lot to do! We appreciate your interest and support.

Sincerely,

Maribeth Hobgood Executive Director, Spay Today Inc. spaytoday4@centurylink.net

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PITT COUNTY FALL RABIES CLINIC



FREE



Rabies Vaccines free to all Pitt County cats and dogs

West Greenville Residents qualify for free Distemper vaccines and sign up for free Spay/Neuter surgeries

SATURDAY October 10th, 2015 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

The Little Willie Center, 807 West 5th St. Greenville

PITT COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY

Bring Owner's Information: Name, Physical & Mailing Address, County of Residence, Phone #AND Pet Information: Name, Cat/Dog, Breed, Color/Description, Sex, Plus any past rabies shot history

For more information: Pitt County Animal Services at 252-902-1725 West Greenville Residents call 252-364-7131 for information about free spay/neuter

ALL ANIMALS MUST BE ON LEASH OR IN A CARRIER





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Dear Ms. Lipscomb,

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

On October 15th, 2015 the Pitt County Sheriff's Office, Greenville Police Department, and the Center for Family Violence Prevention will be hosting its 2015 Domestic Violence Awareness Month Candlelight Vigil to honor the lives lost to Domestic Violence and their families. The event will begin at 6pm at Greenville City Hall Council Chambers.

Domestic Violence is a public health issue that can only be defeated if we stand against it, united. We wish for you to join us and extend the invitation to all to show your support for Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention in our community.

We look forward to standing with you on this evening.

Sincerely,

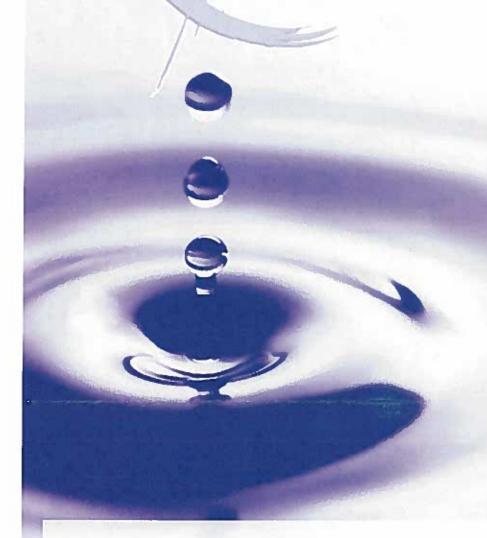
Lorrie Irish

Community Advocate

Center for Family Violence Prevention

We are all connected. The pond is our community. Your action is the pebble.

Let your action start the ripple, from the home and out into the community for Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention



The ripple effects everyone. Join us.







Thursday, October 15th 6:00PM Greenville City Hall 3rd Floor Council Chambers