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TAMI Program Launched as a Collaborative Effort of FieldHaven Feline Center and Sutter Animal Services Authority**Funding Provided by California for All Animals**

Lincoln, CA – TAMI (Trap-Alter-Manage-Invest) is a new collaborative effort by FieldHaven Feline Center and Sutter Animal Services Authority (SASA) for community cats. It's all thanks to a grant from California for All Animals, which exists to unite and amplify the work of California animal shelters.

TAMI is a holistic, community-based program for community cats in the underserved areas of the city of Marysville and Sutter County. Trap, Neuter, Return (TNR) is already managed in those areas, but TAMI will allow FieldHaven and SASA to make affordable services and resources more accessible by targeting specific neighborhoods which have historically had a high population of unowned cats with minimal spay/neuter compliance. This will decrease barriers for local residents, create sustainability for the care of community cats, and reduce overall euthanasia of unwanted and an uncared population of cats in these specific regions.

"We cannot adopt our way out of cat overpopulation. Spay/neuter is truly the answer," said Joy Smith, founder and executive director for FieldHaven. "This is how we all work together, shelters and vet clinics, especially in a time of the veterinary crisis and shortage of staff. Thanks to California for All Animals, we are bringing resources directly to pets and people who need it the most. By partnering with SASA, this not only helps ensure the success of TAMI but also makes each of our own programs and services more successful."

"Sutter Animal Services Authority is looking forward to additional TNR resources in the community. The TAMI program is a positive approach to addressing our area's feral cat overpopulation, and we are so thankful to California for All Animals for funding this effort," said Megan Anderson, manager for SASA.

The range of services offered through TAMI will include a multi-faceted, triage approach to ensure a foundation of success. Specific focus areas will include trapping, spay/neuter services, medical care, transport, and community outreach and support.

California for All Animals is a five-year project to improve the lives of at-risk animals in the state and provide much-needed resources to shelters that serve this vulnerable population. It exists to unite and amplify the work of California animal shelters to achieve our shared goal of matching every animal in need with the

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right outcome through the right care, delivered in the right place and at the right time.

To find out more about the TAMl program, including how to get involved and how to donate to sustain the cause, visit <https://fieldhaven.com/> or call (916) 434-6022.

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