

Kitty Kontrol

Amanda Merrill has been a Girl Scout for six years and is in Troop 622 in Service Unit 702. She is currently a junior at Valley Heights Jr-Sr High School.

Amanda's Gold Award project addressed the issue of a rising stray cat population and a lack of education on spaying and neutering pets in her community. By creating an application process for free or low cost spay/neuter services in her area, Amanda hopes to help all pet owners make responsible decisions, no matter their financial situation. She also researched city ordinances and created informational brochures and articles for her local paper to distribute the information to those in her community. By educating the public and making spay/neuter services more readily available, she hopes to combat the increasing population of stray cats and make her community safer for pets and people alike.

Amanda worked with the city of Waterville, her troop leader, local law enforcement agencies, Cattails and local veterinarians to research and implement her project. By disseminating important information regarding pet ownership, the increasing stray population due to not spaying/neutering animals and resources in the community, she hopes the project will continue to help her city for years to come. By combatting the issue both by making resources available and through education, she is making a real impact on the health and safety of feline and human members of Waterville.

Because of Girl Scouts, I have learned ways to become successful.



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