

# Animal Services Spay Neuter Program

*Making sense & saving cents in  
Orange County!*



Animal Services

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# Targeted Spay & Neuter: The Theory

**Targeted Spay / Neuter:**

[Spay/Neuter that would  
otherwise not be done]

Fewer litters; fewer  
“surplus pets”

Lowered animal  
admissions

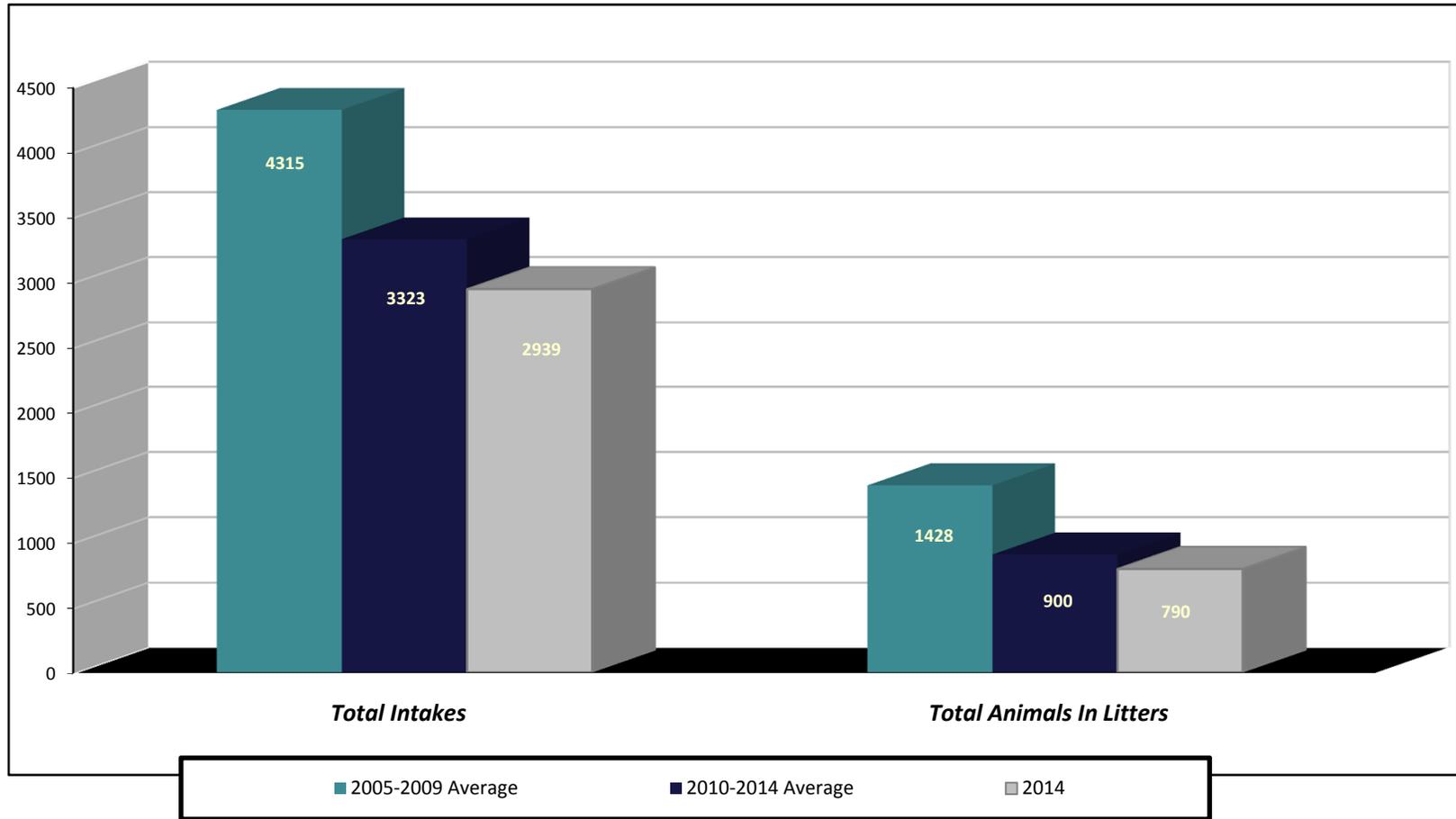
Less euthanasia

Controlling costs of  
animal services



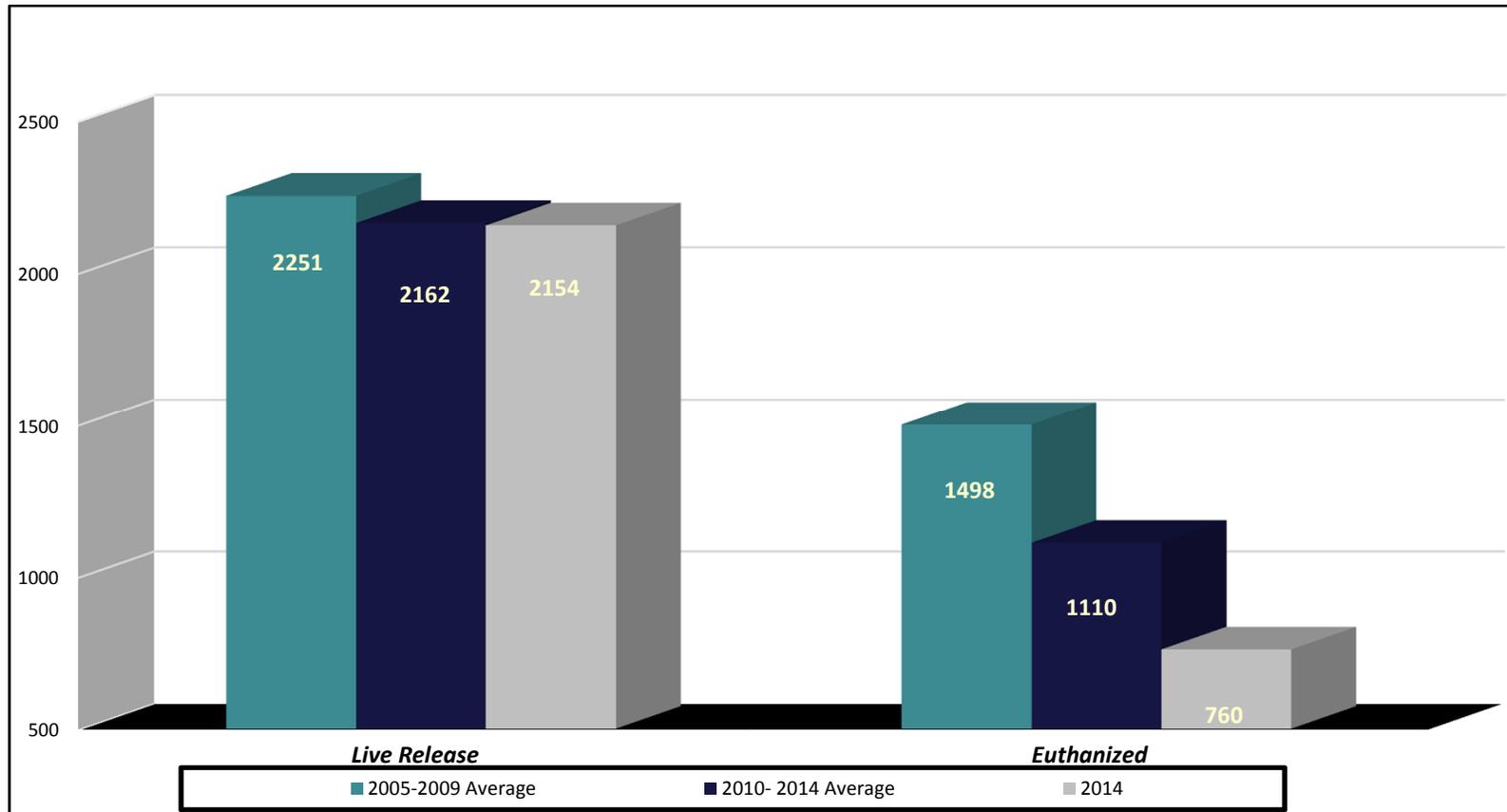
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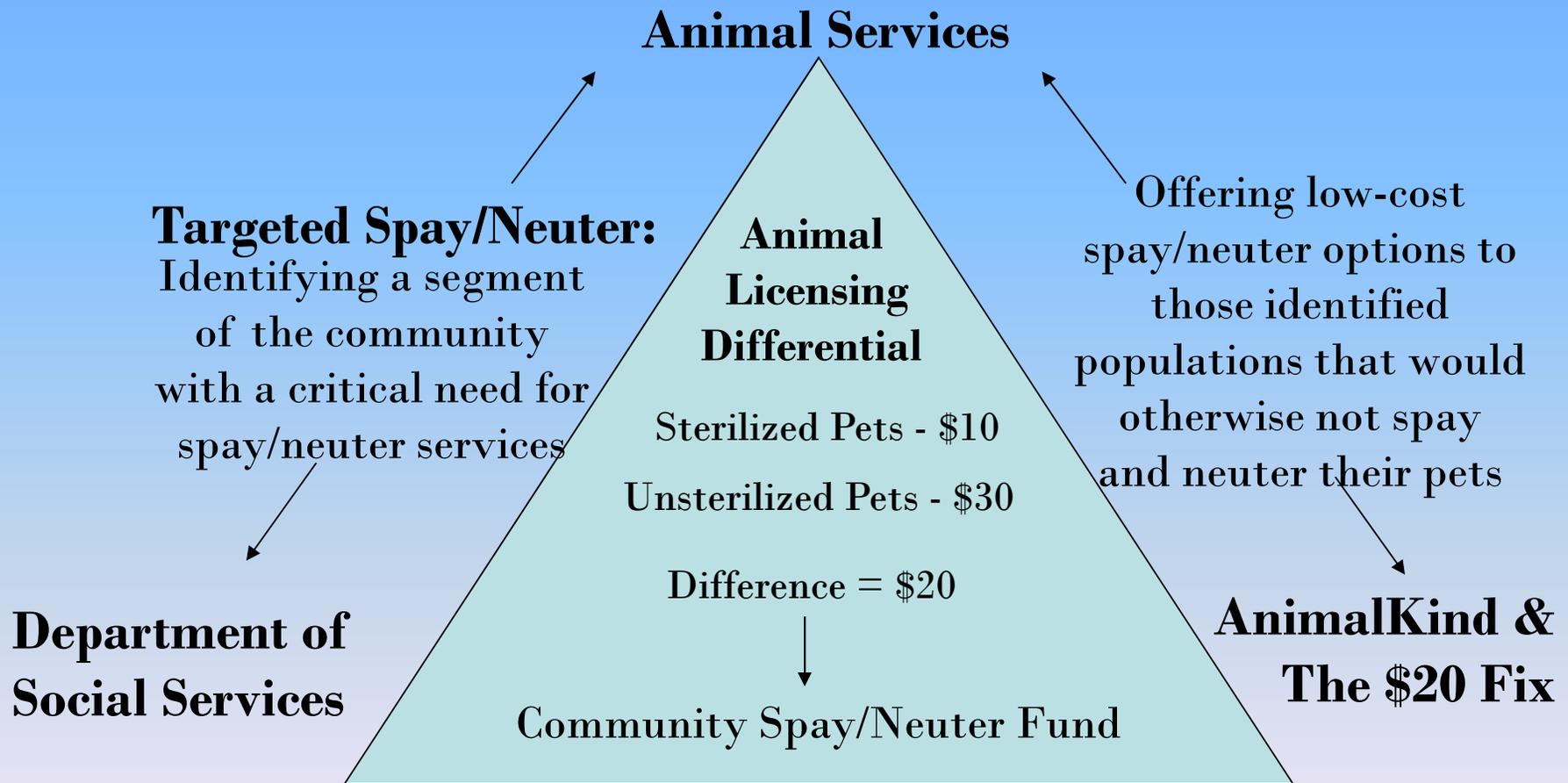
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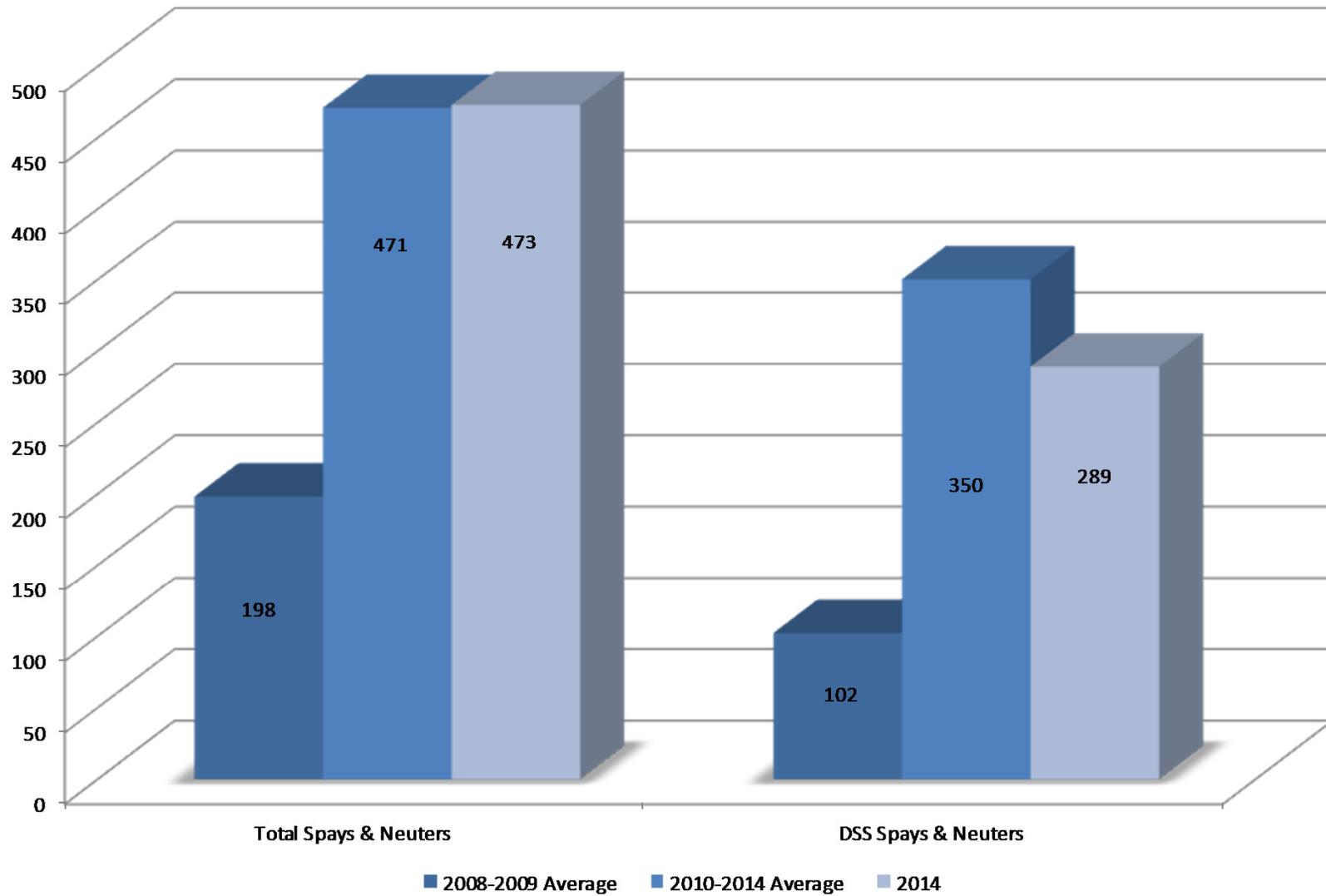
"Live Release" animals include animals that were recovered by their owner, adopted, or transferred to a placement partner organization (rescue group)

# Animal Services Spay Neuter What It Is & How It Works



(NC Reimbursement Program)

## Targeted Spays and Neuters 2008-2014



# 2014 HIGHLIGHTS

## Initiatives & Successes

- Increased the number of Spay/Neuter day special events
- Distribution of applications at DSS's Toy Campaign
- Two billboards advertised our "Beat the Heat" Campaign for 7 weeks



## Opportunities & Challenges

- Increasing the number of sterilized dogs and cats to 500-plus
- Growing the number of residents who participate on the basis of income and public assistance
- Reduction in amount received from North Carolina Spay/Neuter Reimbursement Program
- Updated methods of communication for DSS clients have limited the amount of Spay/Neuter information able to be sent to targeted population



# Benefits & Observations

- **Improves Animal Services Operations**
  - Control costs
  - Make staffing numbers work
- **Brings People Together**
  - Partnerships
  - Common ground
  - Community Effort!
- **Models Public Policy**
  - Self-funded program
  - Demonstrable results
  - NCACC 2010 Program Award
- **Promotes Responsible Pet Ownership**

