

Cat de-sexing programmes:

Great
partnerships
achieving
great
outcomes

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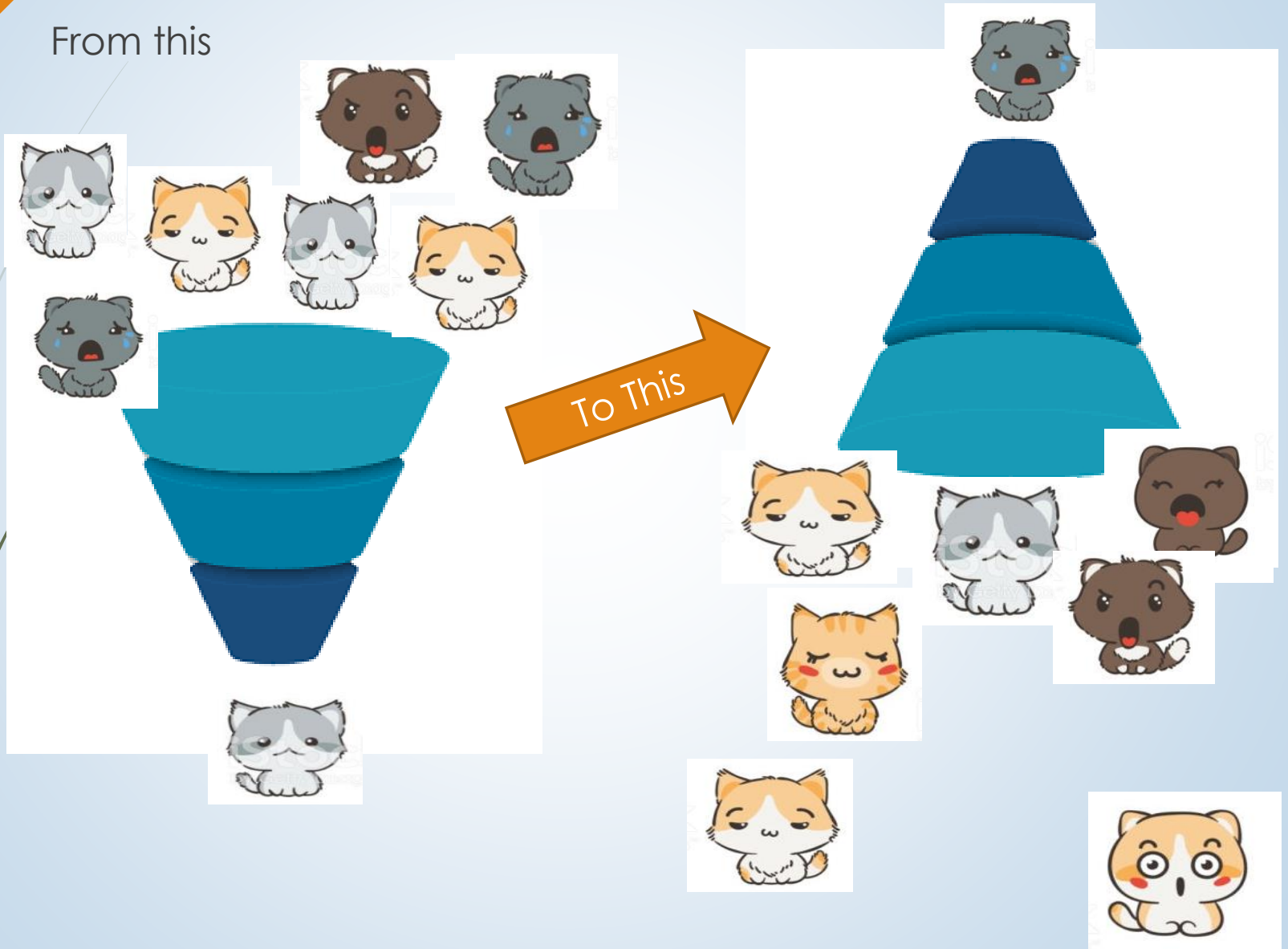


History repeating itself:



Need to go ...

From this





It's about knowing....

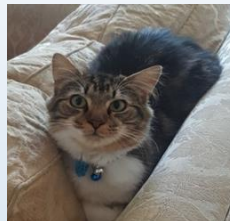
Your

- Barriers to achieving goals (*management, old ways, reluctance to change, not knowing problems*)
- Data – know what you are dealing with
- \$\$\$\$ - how much do things cost??
- Strategic partnerships
- Recent parliamentary petition (Vic)

Know your numbers

How much does each animal cost your organisation.....

- a. From initial call?
- b. Catch / Trap?
- c. Redirect / House ?
- d. Pound Fees?
- e. Vet treatment / surgery costs?
- f. Re-home?



Average cats & kittens on site

Daily Av Cats on site	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	Cost
2016	153	202	226	176	113	\$460,769
2017	37	48	69	52	34	\$78,020
Saving						\$382,749

How did we do it ????

- Staff keen for change
- Expanded Partnerships – Councils, Rescues, Foster
- Council commitments:
 - Community focus
 - Move from punitive to assistance
 - Re-directed pound \$\$
 - Discount vouchers
 - Sponsored programmes – 2/yr
 - Waived 1st yr registration fees

de-sexing initiatives-
'snip 'n' chip



Justifying affordable de-sexing

Year	Total Private Cats De-sexed	Spays	% spays of total	Av No. kittens (4 litter) prevented
2017 (May-Dec)	787	430	55	$430 \times 4 = 1,720$
2018	1,210	649	54	$649 \times 4 = 2,596$
2019(Jan -Aug)	1,059	565	54	$565 \times 4 = 2,260$
Total	3,056	1,644	54	6,576 kittens

**6,576 less kittens to re-home,
become strays, abandoned, injured, ferals etc**

Estimate of Pound Fees

No. Cats Impounded	\$ Fee per Head		
	\$150.00	\$210.00	\$250.00
250	\$37,500	\$52,500	\$62,500
500	\$75,000	\$105,000	\$125,000
750	\$112,500	\$157,500	\$187,500
1000	\$150,000	\$210,000	\$250,000
100	\$15,000	\$21,000	\$25,000

Most Effective:

1 Knowing costs

2. Council partnerships:

- sponsored de-sexing/chip 2 x yr
- targeted de-sexing drives

= 1^o way to make an impact

3. Snip 'n' Chip programme (public)

- affordable /free de-sexing / LLF
- rescue, foster groups, working cats

Stray intake ↓ from 1006 to 171 cats in
6 yrs = > ↓ 80%

Ran out of cats & kittens in summer!!!

Had to transfer in!!

New Initiative

➤ *Westside Community De-sexing Inc*

- Western suburbs – Melbourne
- Affordable desexing – cats
- Advice or assistance

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