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Animal welfare funds for remote areas

Five not-for-profit animal welfare organisations across the Territory will share in \$200,000 funding through Animal Welfare Fund Grants announced today.

The RSPCA Katherine will receive \$74,400 to build an animal shelter in Katherine.

Local Government Minister, Malarndirri McCarthy said the funding boost will benefit animal welfare and good animal management practice in remote areas.

“The Territory Government set up the Animal Welfare Fund in 2009 in recognition of the great social and economic benefits provided by animals in our everyday lives and the need for responsible care and management.

“It supports Territory, not for profit, animal welfare organisations undertake projects to improve the wellbeing of animals, raise community awareness of animal welfare and help to progress good animal management practice, particularly in remote communities

“Applications for funding are assessed and recommended by the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee.

The Animal Welfare Fund Grants recipients 2010-11 include:

Animal Management in Remote and Regional Indigenous Communities (AMRRIC) - \$75 000

To continue funding an Education Project Officer to promote better health and ownership of animals in the West Arnhem, Central Desert, Victoria Daly, MacDonnell and Barkly Shires

RSPCA Katherine - \$74 400

To purchase construction goods to build an animal shelter in Katherine

Wildcare NT - \$6 000

To provide training for members of Wildcare and members of the public on caring for native mammals.

RSPCA Central Australia - \$25 765

To construct dog and puppy exercise yards at the Alice Springs shelter.

RSPCA Nhulunbuy - \$18 835

To provide fencing at the current shelter for a fully fenced area to exercise and train impounded dogs.

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