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NPD Feral Cat Rodent Control Pilot Program

Niles, IL – As part of a joint effort with the Village of Niles Community Development Department to mitigate rodent issues in the Village of Niles, the Niles Police Department is piloting a feral cat rodent control program. Feral cats are natural predators of rodents, and their presence in a neighborhood helps drive rats and other pests away. The NPD's Animal Control Officer is working with a resident in the 7800 block of N. Nordica Avenue who has volunteered to provide food and shelter for five feral cats. The Animal Control Officer also provided the resident with a resource to have the cats spayed and neutered to prevent uncontrolled breeding.

The five feral cats will be released in the 7800 block of N. Nordica Avenue for a two-month trial period of the program. After the two-month period, the NPD will evaluate the program's effectiveness based on resident feedback and rodent complaint statistics. If the program is found to be effective, the NPD will explore expanding the program to other areas of Niles.

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