**Mapping Subcommittee Notes**

Attendees:

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| Myra | Austin |
| Tenille | Fox |
| Bob | Marotto |
| Corey | Root |
| Sarah | Schmidt |

Review Draft Document- Recommendations

* Bob has spoken to existing foster groups, they are open to the idea of helping with foster care for homeless pets
  + Considerations
    - Intake process
    - Training
* Vets willing to provide low/no cost services
  + 3 vets have agreed to provide services on a case by case basis
    - Animal services will need a simple to use guide to determine eligibility
* White Flag Nights
  + Animal services is open to providing transportation to/from community kitchen
    - Considerations
      * Estimation of need
      * Consider picking up animals earlier (4:30 instead of 7 pm?)
      * Returning animals to their owners
* Existing Models for Sheltering Pets of Individuals Experiencing Homelessness
  + Navigation Centers
    - Animals are kept with their owners
    - Partner with animal services to provide care
    - Pets are accepted regardless of documentation
  + Housing at Breaking Ground- NY City
    - Animals are kept with their owners
    - Reasonable accommodations are well defined, infractions are documented, pets are re-homed if they cannot be reliably kept under owners control
  + Co-sheltering
    - Grants are available to construct an animal shelter on the homeless shelter premises
    - Pets are cared for by residents and volunteers
    - Food and supplies are donated
* Other Available Services
  + Red Rover- provides grants for sheltering the pets of domestic violence victims receiving services from a DV shelter and for emergency vet care based on need
  + Pets of the Homeless- provides free crates to homeless shelters, provides grants for emergency veterinary care, provides medical supplies for wellness clinics
  + Pet Smart Charities- provides grants to shelters
* Rover
  + Providers are independent contractors: set their own rates, make their own policies about vaccinations, fleas, spay and neuter etc.
  + Simple process to become a sitter or to apply for services; sitters must wait five days for background check.
  + Local rates are $25-$45 a night
* Next Steps
  + Outline process, eligibility and timeframe for implementation for
    - Services at Orange County Animal Services
    - Foster Care
    - Pre-care
  + Research available grants (Sarah Schmidt): eligibility, lead time, amount, purpose