Calgary to become animal kill-free zone

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The head of Calgary Bylaw Services, Bill Bruce, says our city will be an animal kill-free zone within three to five years.

Preliminary work began Tuesday on a new 25-hundred square-foot spay and neuter clinic.

The clinic will have a full and part-time veterinarian on staff to perform procedures and will be complete with operating and recovery rooms.

The idea is to offer spay and neutering to pet owners who can't afford it.

It would normally cost upwards of \$4-hundred.

"The long-term goal there is we want to reduce the amount of unwanted pets in Calgary," Bruce says. "We want to become what we call a no-kill city, which means no animals killed unless it's in the best interest of the animal to be humanely euthanized, and no animals turned away from a shelter."

The project is primarily funded through cat licensing in the city and it could be completed by March.