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Have you ever seen a stray dog? Their fur is matted with dirt and mud. Their ears could be torn from battles with other strays. These dogs are on the street due to overpopulation. Overpopulation is when there are too many of one. Do you wish you could help? Do you want to help these poor animals? Well that's why I'm here. Here are some ideas that may help the animal community.

One idea I have is get dogs and cats spayed or neutered. Many people don't do this. Spaying or neutering an animal is one of the steps toward stopping overpopulation of animals.

Another idea is to adopt from shelters. Shelters are good because you save the dogs or cats lives. These animals have been lost, abandoned, and even given up. One place you should stay away from are puppy mills. Puppy mills are terrible because they contribute to pet overpopulation and cause endless lifetimes of suffering in wire cages

This idea is to organize a supplies drive. A supplies drive is when people help animal shelters taking care of the homeless cats or dogs, also known as fostering. The animals stay with the person until they are found a good and safe home.

Spread the word is next . This is the greatest defense of all. A well informed community is the greatest defense because they know now how their personal actions can help solve the problem.

The last idea is to keep an eye on your pets. It only takes one time for your pet to escape, mate with an unknown and unaltered dog or cat, then come back to you with an unwanted litter.

Now time to wrap it up. I've given 5 ideas of how to stop overpopulation. I've written as much as I can. I hope these ideas help. Here's me wishing a better life for animals.

Author's Note

As I wrote this essay on help stopping overpopulation of dogs and cats, I thought “Why not add some reasons why I wrote this essay?” So here it goes.

When I was starting, I only did it because I wanted the Kindle Fire HD. But as I did my research, I realized this was an important issue. I wasn't writing for the Kindle Fire HD anymore I was writing to inform people of this serious problem. I was writing to help the animals of my home and of my community.