

2019 Deer Management Objectives

2019 PROGRAM SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

MEASURES OF SUCCESS:

Educational Program & Public Right-of-Way Improvements:

- Identify potential areas of additional deer signage and implement installation.
- Develop and publish an expanded deer education component to the City's deer management website, including a deer-resistant gardening campaign.
- Continuing to update the City's interactive information/mapping tool.
- Continue to expand the City's on-going education program.

Sterilization (Non-lethal) Program:

- Obtain an amended permit from MDNR for a deer sterilization program.
- Sterilize of at least 95 - 98% of the female deer in the original research areas #1, #2, #3 and a potential #4.
- Mortality rate associated with sterilization less than 2%.
- Investigate with University of Michigan if there are appropriate locations for sterilization.
- Obtain a written update from White Buffalo on the scientific results to-date on the sterilization efforts.

Lethal Program:

- Number of firearm related injuries associated with cull activities is 0.
- Remove up to 150 deer, depending on available locations, weather and contractor recommendation.
- Level of public park closures are acceptable to at least 75% of surveyed residents.
- Coordinate with University of Michigan to increase the number of available locations for the deer management program.