



Lucky Star Spay Neuter Program News

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Our Mission: To gather, recognize and celebrate the continuing annual commitment of each of our member veterinarians to provide some level of absolutely free spay neuter services to the needy animals of their choice, along with any other free services they choose to provide.

OUR LUCKY STARS

We are proud to present this roster of Lucky Star Veterinarians. Together these **11** professionals have generously pledged **708** absolutely free spay neuter surgeries & other free services for needy animals of their choice in **2017**, for which they have our admiration & thanks:

Dr. Ohad Barnea, Tenafly Veterinary Center

Dr. Sarah Barnes, Eleos Veterinary Service

Dr. Erno Hollo & Dr. Kelly Vex Basking Ridge Animal Hospital

Dr. Harvey E. Hummel, Andover Animal Hospital, Newton

Dr. Danci Mock, West Caldwell Animal Hospital

Dr. Maritza Perez, West Orange Animal Hospital

Dr. P. Picone, Audubon Veterinary Associates

Dr. Sandra Stalder-Frey, Alpha Veterinary Care

Dr. Carolyn Wooley, MCSNIP, Pennington

Dr. David Croman, Medical Director, People for Animals, Inc., Hillside, Robbinsville & Clayton

W. VA FUNDS S/N WITH PET FOOD FEE

They join Maryland & Maine now using a surcharge on the annual registration fee, per brand, on all companies selling pet food in their State for a reliable & adequate funding source for their low cost S/N program. Read the fascinating & well researched 10 pg report on why this method beats all the others (tax check off, license plates, rabies shot surcharge, etc.) that are unreliable, or unpopular & never generate enough \$: <http://www.wvaw.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/WV-Spay-Neuter-Special-Report-2017.pdf>

ASPCA TIPS ON PEDIATRIC S/N

<http://aspcapro.org/resource/spayneuter-shelter-health-animal-care/benefits-and-best-practices-pediatric-spayneuter>

GIANT S/N EFFORT IN SOUTH DALLAS

March 2017-A public-private effort has been formed to curb the pet population crisis in So.Dallas where loose dogs have roamed the streets for decades.The Rees-Jones Foundation, the W.W. Caruth Foundation & the Dallas Foundation have donated \$13.5 million to a \$24 million S/N project. Dallas Animal Services will provide data & support. A private firm, Resourceful Elephant Group, will run the massive S/N campaign.The goal is daunting: Perform 46,000 FREE surgeries/yr for the next 3 years in areas that don't even have enough animal clinics nearby to make it seem feasible.Veterinarians on tap w/ the SPCA of Texas, the S/N Network & Operation Kindness will rely heavily on mobile clinics. Roughly 15 % of dogs in So. Dallas are "fixed", vs 80% in No.Dallas.

<https://www.dallasnews.com/opinion/commentary/2017/03/31/will-massive-spay-neuter-program-fix-dallas-dog-problem>

FREE S/N FOR ANY COLORADO CAT!

DENVER-Mar.2017-<http://www.ddfl.org/catclinic/>
The Dumb Friends League has opened a new S/N clinic for cats as part of their ongoing efforts to reduce the # of cats on the streets & in shelters. The Dumb Friends League Solutions Cat S/N Clinic offers fully subsidized (no-cost) S/N surgeries for all Colorado cats, including owned cats, feral cats, TNR cats & community cats (tame or feral free-roaming.) Anyone can bring a cat to the clinic for S/N surgery, regardless of income.The new facility & S/N program are being funded for 3 yrs by grants from the Animal Assistance Foundation, PetSmart Charities®, ASPCA, & Dumb Friends. The Dumb Friends League does about 10,000 cat S/N's/yr at its shelters & mobile clinics. It hopes the new clinic will double that. The Colorado VMA had surveyed its membership to gauge the level of support for a fully subsidized, no-barrier S/N clinic. The survey revealed strong support for a cat-only S/N clinic. So, the CVMA Executive Board & leadership voted to fully support the clinic.

<http://kdvr.com/2017/03/09/new-clinic-in-denver-offers-free-spayneuter-surgery-for-all-cats/>

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