DO YOU ALREADY HAVE A MASS ANIMAL FUND VOUCHER?

Already have a voucher and need to schedule surgery? Visit our Spay/Neuter Provider page to find a participating veterinarian.

https://www.mass.gov/info-details/find-a-veterinary-provider

All services are by appointment only. make sure part 1-Owner/Pet Information on the voucher is filled out completely and presented at the time of surgery.

If you have any questions or need assistance with scheduling please contact our Community Liaison Kyle Baron at 617-626-1790

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INVEST IN THE RESPONSIBLE CARE OF ANIMALS.

WHAT IS THE MASSACHUSETTS ANIMAL FUND?

In 2012 a law took effect that, in part, created the Homeless Animal Prevention and Care Fund (Massachusetts Animal Fund). The Fund is administered by the Division of Animal Health with assistance from an advisory committee and seeks to end the problem of animal homelessness in Massachusetts. Animal homelessness is a problem that causes animals' lives to be lost to euthanasia, poses a public safety concern, and costs taxpayer money to pay for services for stray, abandoned, and feral animals and their offspring. One solution to this problem is investing in spaying/neutering animals. Another is standardized and required animal control officer (ACO) training that creates uniform enforcement of animal control laws.

Since 2014 the Fund's Spay/Neuter Voucher Program and Emergency Fund has helped over 19,000 dogs and cats across the Commonwealth by providing no-cost spay/neuter surgeries and vaccinations to the most vulnerable animals—many of which live in your own municipality. Vouchers are requested by ACOs for homeless dogs and cats in their care, for dogs and cats owned by low-income residents, and for feral cats, and can be redeemed at any of the Fund's participating veterinary providers. To date, the Fund has spent over \$2,500,000 to help the local animals of Massachusetts!



FILE TAXES HELP ANIMALS.

The Massachusetts Animal Fund is able to provide no-cost spay/neuter services to animals in need with the help of contributions from people like you.

Invest in the responsible care of animals.

Donate today: Fill out LINE 33F of your state income tax return or visit

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MASSACHUSETTS ANIMAL FUND VOUCHER PROGRAM

FOR MASSACHUSETTS RESIDENTS

Do you own a cat or dog that is not spayed or neutered? Is the cost of surgery a financial hardship for you or your family? The Mass Animal Fund can provide free spay/neuter vouchers to low-income residents for their cats and dogs. If you are eligible to receive government help such as: (TAFDC, SSI, VS, SNAP, WIC, etc.) you can gualify.

Massachusetts residents who qualify should contact their local animal control officer to apply. Contact information for municipal animal control officers is available at www.mass.gov/service-details/spayneuter-voucher-program REQUESTS MADE DIRECTLY FROM RESIDENTS TO MASS ANIMAL FUND CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED.

FOR FERAL CAT CAREGIVERS

Do you manage a feral colony? The Mass Animal Fund may have funds to help with the spaying/neutering feral cats. Eligible cats are those that are homeless, un-owned, free-roaming, unsocialized, and appear healthy. To be eligible these cats must be released back into their home colony, and receive a 3/8" ear tip at the time of surgery.

Caregivers seeking help should contact their local animal control officer. NO REQUESTS MADE DIRECTLY FROM CAREGIVERS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Vouchers must be in-hand before trapping and transporting the cat(s) to surgery.

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