

Considering Giving Up Your Pet?

Alternatives & Resources

BEHAVIOR SERVICES OFFERED BY PHS/SPCA

PHS/SPCA has a variety of animal behavior resources available to help you address any training or other behavior issues you might be having with your pet. Some of our services are free while others are offered for a fee.

Behavior Information Resources:

Handouts with animal behavior information on a variety of dog and cat behavior issues are on our website www.phs-spca.org/animal-behavior-advice in English and Spanish. This webpage also has our Critter Corner behavior advice videos with behavior staff members.

Behavior Helpline:

If you have questions that are not addressed in the handouts or videos and need extra help, we offer a free Behavior Helpline for helpful tips and suggestions. You may request help either online, by completing a help application www.phs-spca.org/behavior/help-application or leave a message for behavior staff at (650) 340-7022 ext. 183 for English or (650) 340-7022 ext. 186 for Spanish. Please allow up to a week for our response.

Classes and Consults:

For more specific behavior issues, we offer dog training classes, one-on-one behavior consults, and puppy playgroups. For more information, pricing, and to register for classes or consults, please visit our website www.phs-spca.org/behavior, email training@phs-spca.org, or call (650) 340-7022 ext. 667.

PET FOOD BANK

Our Pet Food Bank helps cat and dog owners in San Mateo County who need assistance to feed their pets. The food bank occurs monthly on the 2nd Friday of each month in Burlingame. Participants must register in advance and self-certify that they are low-income and/or experiencing financial hardship. For more information and to register for the food bank please our website www.phs-spca.org/foodbank. Please email Brian@phs-spca.org for questions.

LOW-COST VETERINARY MEDICAL SERVICES

Our low-cost Vaccination Clinic provides vaccinations for cats and dogs of all ages. We offer rabies, canine influenza, and DHPP vaccinations for dogs and rabies, FeLV and FVRCP vaccinations for cats. The Vaccination Clinic is held by appointment only the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month and the 2nd Wednesday of the month. For additional information or to schedule a vaccination appointment please visit our website www.phs-spca.org/vaccination-clinics or call Rogelio Nicolas at (650) 340-7022 ext. 332.

Our low-cost Spay & Neuter Clinic is for cats, dogs, and rabbits owned by members of the public. Pricing varies based on species and size. For more information, pricing, and to schedule a spay/neuter appointment, please visit our website www.phs-spca.org/spayneuter

MEDICAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The following organizations may be able to help. There are others not listed here, so it is important to conduct your own research. PHS/SPCA can provide a list of local veterinary clinics in San Mateo County upon request.

SAGE Medical Financial Assistance

SAGE Compassion for Animals prevents suffering and euthanasia by providing financial assistance to families with companion animals in medical crisis. For more information, to fill out the application, and for additional resources, visit their website www.sagec4a.org

CareCredit Assistance

CareCredit is a healthcare credit card designed for the health and wellness of your family and pets. It is a way to pay for the costs of many treatments and procedures, while allowing you to make convenient monthly payments. Learn more and apply at their website www.carecredit.com

Scratch Pay

Scratch Pay provides simple, affordable, payment plans to help you manage your veterinary expenses. www.Scratchpay.com

Waggle

They may help to provide financial assistance through grants and crowdfunding to pet owners who are unable to afford veterinary care for their pets. www.Waggle.org

San Francisco Aid for Animals

San Francisco Aid for Animals partners with veterinary hospitals across the Bay Area who match their grants with in-kind services. They do not provide funds directly to individuals. www.sfafa.org

REHOMING YOUR PET

If you are unable to keep your pet, the following website will allow you to post your pet on their site. You should visit the site, carefully review their rules and regulations and make sure you are comfortable using their service. This service is not affiliated with PHS/SPCA. These type of groups/ services evolve frequently, so there are most likely others. It's important to conduct your own research. www.rescueme.org