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Your pet will be a better family member and more affectionate toward human friends

Your pet will be less likely to roam or mark territory

Your pet will be calmer and less aggressive, healthier, and less likely to get diseases

Your pet will not become fat or lazy unless it is overfed and under exercised

To earn a low cost certificate, no registration is necessary. Pet owners should come to the shelter entrance marked Incoming Animals

Monday thru Friday @ 8 AM or Saturday @ 7 AM.

Participants must be prompt as the shelter is closed to the general public at these times. A staff member will only unlock the door at the times designated above.

One other person 18 years or older can contribute hours toward a pet's spay or neuter. Hours need not be completed all in one day.

Participant's should wear comfortable clothes and closed-toed shoes.

Be a responsible pet owner:

Spay or neuter your pets today.

The Humane Society of Sarasota County, Inc

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The Humane Society of Sarasota County relies on community funding to pursue its mission of promoting responsible pet ownership and securing permanent homes for all adoptable animals. HSSC provides abandoned pets with compassionate care and shelter, offers pet adoptions, humane education, affordable spay/neuter services, and programs for children, seniors and those with special needs.



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LOW COST SPAY/ NEUTER PROGRAM

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The Solution

In six short years, one female dog and her offspring can be the source of 67,000 puppies.

For every one person born, 45 cats and 15 dogs are born.

In just seven years, one female cat and her offspring can produce 420,000 kittens.

There will never be enough homes for all these animals.

Every 1.5 seconds, an animal is put to death in the US because no one wants him/her.

HSSC is working hard to combat this sad statistic, but community support and commitment is essential.

The Humane Society of Sarasota County and participating veterinarians of the Southwest Florida Veterinary Medical Association offers a **Low Cost Spay/Neuter Program** as part of the solution to our local pet overpopulation problem

In exchange for volunteer hours at the shelter, you can earn a certificate that allows your dog or cat to be spayed or neutered at a participating veterinarian for a nominal fee.

There are a variety of tasks that are performed daily at the shelter. You will be assigned to an area or job as needed. Participants must be **at least 18 years old**. One other person can contribute volunteer hours toward a pet's spay or neuter.

Labor must be completed before your dog or cat is spayed or neutered.

The Program

Procedure	Volunteer Hours	Veterinarian's Fee
Male Cat Neuter	8	\$25.00
Female Cat Spay	8	\$40.00
Male Dog Neuter		
Up to 35 lbs	8	\$40.00
36 to 70 lbs	10	\$40.00
Over 70 lbs	12	\$40.00
Female Dog Spay		
Up to 10 lbs	8	\$50.00
11 to 40 lbs	9	\$50.00
41 to 60 lbs	10	\$50.00
61 to 75 lbs	11	\$50.00
76 to 100 lbs	13	\$50.00
Over 100 lbs	18	\$50.00

All fees paid to veterinarians participating in this program are the responsibility of the pet owner. HSSC cannot provide information about vaccination costs or any other possible additional costs that may be associated with surgery. It is the owner's responsibility to understand these costs (if any) before authorizing the procedure(s).

The pet owner must be able to show that the pet is up-to-date on all vaccinations prior to surgery. Otherwise, the pet will be vaccinated at the time of surgery at the owner's expense.

Extenuating circumstances or complications such as pregnancy, ovarian cysts/tumors, in heat, retained testicle(s), etc., will be charged at regular hospital fees in addition to fees noted above.