



Spay and Neuter Assistance for Low-Income Families and Their Pets

Mission

This program is designed for low-income families to assist in spaying and neutering their pets. This program improves the quality of life for pets, reduces the number of strays and unnecessary litters and reduces the number of animals euthanized. This program helps families become part of the solution to the pet population.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Applicant must be a **Bullhead City resident**. Applicant must provide **proof of residency** such as a utility bill or rent receipt **dating back a minimum of 4 months**.
2. Applicant **must meet the income guidelines** set forth below based the household size. **Proof of income from previous year will be required per adult in household**. Acceptable forms of proof include: Tax returns, W2's, Social Security Benefit statement, or Financial Assistance statement.

Household Size	Annual Income	Household Size	Annual Income
1 Member	18,150	5 Members	32,244
2 Members	20,750	6 Members	36,924
3 Members	23,350	7 Members	41,604
4 Members	27,564	8 Members	46,284

3. Applicant must be in compliance with 6.08.070 Animal License and 6.08.015 Number of pets per residence. **ALL cats and dogs within Bullhead City MUST BE LICENSED. ALL OF THE ANIMALS IN THE HOUSEHOLD MUST BE LICENSED PRIOR TO SCHEDULING AN INTERVIEW.** The only prerequisite for licensing is a current rabies vaccination, which is required by state and city laws. The cost of the rabies vaccination is the sole responsibility of the applicant and is not included in this program. Applicants **MUST NOT** exceed the pet limitation of 3 dogs and 3 cats per household. Applicant can only spay or neuter pets they legally own and are currently licensed.

Policies and Procedures

1. Call the shelter at (928) 763-6000 to schedule an interview on **FRIDAY'S ONLY** and if approved a certificate will be issued
2. At your scheduled appointment **BRING ALL** required documents: Proof of residency, Proof of income, Proof ALL animals licensed in household, including the animal you are intending to spay/neuter. **DO NOT BRING THE ANIMAL(S) TO THE INTERVIEW.**
3. If approved you will be issued a Helping Paws Certificate for the basic spay or neuter procedure. **Applicant is responsible for the \$30 exam fee** and **any other extra or additional services necessary**. Additional services could be, but not limited to: Female in heat, pregnant, nursing or Male is cryptorchid, as well as complication during or after surgery, or medications.
4. It is the applicants' responsibility to call the authorized veterinarian to schedule the appointment (**The certificate expires 30 days from date of issue and if expired entire process must be repeated before issuing a new certificate**)