

Become a Santa Rosa County Partner for Pets

Please mail this completed form along with your donation to:

Santa Rosa County Animal Services
4451 Pine Forest Road
Milton, FL 32583.

Checks should be made payable to SRC Animal Services. Donations can also be made online at:

www.santarosa.fl.gov/partnersforpets

Your Information

First Name _____ Last Name _____
If paying by credit card, please use the name as it appears on the credit card.

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City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

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Choose a type of donation:

Monthly (credit or debit card required) One-time Donation Gift* Memorial*

* An animal services staff member will contact you for more information for the gift or memorial greeting card including the recipients address, memorial name, message, etc. Be sure to complete the contact information section of this form.



Benefits of Spaying and Neutering

Photo: Keith Levi

Spaying or neutering your pet prevents the suffering and tragic death of thousands of animals. Half of the pets taken to American animal shelters are humanely euthanized. In fact, three to four million dogs and cats are euthanized each year, due to lack of homes to adopt them.

Spaying (for female animals) and neutering (for male animals) are two of the most common surgical procedures performed on cats and dogs. Spaying or neutering your pet is simple, avoids the cost and hassle of dealing with litters, decreases aggressiveness, and can increase your pet's lifespan by:

- Eliminating the risk of uterine infections (in females)
- Reducing the incidence of mammary cancer (in females)
- Eliminating the risk of testicular cancer (in males)
- Decreasing the incidence of prostate disease (in males)

Many healthy kittens and puppies are euthanized before reaching six months old. Yet some pet owners continue to allow their animals to breed. Cats are 45 times as prolific, and dogs 15 times as prolific, as humans. They do not need our help to expand their numbers until there are good homes for them all.

We ask for your support of the Partners for Pets program so we can build a spay and neuter program for our Santa Rosa County pets, in hopes of reducing the number of animals that must be humanely euthanized.



Partners For Pets



Help us reach our goal of finding every adoptable pet a loving, "fur-ever" home.



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The Santa Rosa County Partners for Pets program was recently established with the goal of seeing every adoptable pet finding a loving-forever home. With your help as a Partner for Pets supporter, your donation will help us become one step closer to reaching our goal.

You Can Help

We work tirelessly 24-hours a day providing food, shelter and love to the pets in our shelter, investigating dog fighting and cruelty cases, reuniting pets with their owners, finding suitable forever homes, and partnering with rescue organizations to save as many animals as possible. But more can be done with your help.

Through Santa Rosa County's Partners for Pets program, your one-time or regular donation can help us support and enhance programs that may not be covered by general fund expenditures including:



- ♥ Creating a county **spay and neuter** voucher program
- ♥ Increasing **educational outreach** efforts
- ♥ Increasing **adoption events** for our pets in Santa Rosa County

When combined, these efforts have been proven to make a dramatic difference in local pet populations and in reducing the number of animals that must be humanely euthanized. **Unlike national donation plans, 100 percent of your donation benefit animals in Santa Rosa County!**

Partners for Pets donations are tax-deductible and many types and levels of support are available:

- ♥ **Supply Donation-** For our wish list of new and gently used items, visit www.santarosa.fl.gov/animals.
- ♥ **One-time Donation**
- ♥ **Monthly Supporter-** Contributing monthly is easy and convenient; payments are automatically deducted from your bank account or credit card each month. You still maintain control and can change or cancel your monthly support at any time.
- ♥ **Gift Donation-** Give the perfect gift for the animal lover in your life; a donation in their name!
- ♥ **Memorial Gift-** With a Partner for Pets Memorial Donation, you can honor a special person or pet that has passed by making a special donation in their name.

With any gift or memorial donation, we will mail a personalized greeting or sympathy card to the person you designate.



Why Create Partners for Pets?

According to the Journal of Applied Animal Welfare Science, pet overpopulation is the number one issue facing companion animals today. Unlike private shelters that can have limitations on the number of animals they accept, Santa Rosa County's shelter accepts each one with over 9,000 animals passing through our doors. Unfortunately, only an average of ten percent are adopted or sent to rescue organizations and eight percent are reunited with their families when found straying from home.

Sterilization of pets is the best solution to the overpopulation problem in our county. Although our local education efforts have increased the percentage of animals that are spayed and neutered in Santa Rosa County, more sterilization is needed to reach the critical thresholds necessary to control overpopulation. With the average cost to sterilize a cat at \$75 and \$110 for dogs, the initial cost of the surgery is more than many families can afford to incur at one time. However, this does not deter a citizen from getting a pet.



Choose a donation amount:

\$5 \$10 \$15 \$20 \$25 \$50
 \$75 \$100 \$250 \$500 \$1,000 Other _____

Complete the following if making a donation by credit card only:

Credit Card Type: _____ MasterCard _____ Visa _____ Discover _____ American Express _____
 Credit Card Number _____
 Expiration Date _____ Card Security Code _____ (three numbers on the back of card for MC, Visa & Discover or four numbers for American Express)
 Signature _____ Date _____

Or Please call me for my credit card info at _____

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Thank you for becoming a Partner for Pets!