

Dear Pet Owner,

Providing alternatives to surrendering your pet to the shelter is the goal of MACC's Safety Net Program. These alternatives include re-homing your pet from your home and obtaining behavior assistance from one of our partners, among other alternatives. The following options may help you with re-homing your pet or keeping your pet in your home.

Ask Family, Friends and Co-Workers if they know anyone who is looking for a new pet. It is better for your pet if you are able to re-home him or her yourself. The shelter can be a very stressful environment for any pet. This will also give you the power of choosing your new pets' home.

Post Flyers You can also make your own colorful and creative posters highlighting special information about your pet. Distribute them to church or work bulletin boards as well as post them on Facebook.

Get help with behavior problems Feel free to visit <u>ddfl.org/behavior-help</u> This organizations behavior department offers kindness and compassion to help pet owners with best practices for behavior.

Pet Friendly Housing Make sure to do your research for pet friendly housing in Nashville. Housing locations may have select breed or weight restrictions.

Foster Care If you are surrendering a sick animal or mom with a litter, are you willing to keep the pet until he or she is well or the litter until its old enough to be spayed or neutered? Join our Foster Program. We provide all food, medications, and vaccinations, and when they are ready to be spayed or neutered in our clinic and then adopted into a loving new home.

Low-Cost Veterinary Services Going to the vet doesn't have to deplete the bank here are some veterinary clinics that focus on providing their services at a lower cost.

Pet Community Center Wellness Clinics, 943-B Dr. Richard G. Adams Dr. Nashville, TN 37207 615-512-5001 petcommunitycenter.org

Animal House Vet Clinic, 223 Largo Dr. Nashville, TN 37211 615-834-6441. Animalhouse.vetsuite.com *Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Surgery* Affordable spay and neuter procedures are available through clinics, these may also offer basic vaccinations for lower cost as well at time of surgery.

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People for Animals, Franklin, TN 615-794-8925. Volunteer, not-for-profit agency focused on enhancing pet quality of life and addressing overpopulation by reducing number of healthy pet euthanized in shelter with Spay/Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP). Currently have 3 Nashville Area veterinary clinics that are a part of the SNAP. <u>PeopleForAnimals@comcast.net</u>

Nashville Humane Rover Program, 213 Oceola Ave Nashville, TN 37209 615-352-4030. The ROVER bus is a surgical unit on wheels, equipped with "state-of-the-art" equipment including: 2 anesthesia machines, digital scales, autoclave, surgical lighting, microscope, as well as medical supplies. <u>ROVER@nashvillehumane.org</u>

Trap-Neuter Return for Feral Cats (TNR) If you have stray cats in your neighborhood that cannot adapt to living in the home environment, please go to <u>petcommunitycenter.org/feral-cats/feline-fix-guestionnaire</u> or call 615-928-6353. Assistance is provided with trap, neuter, and return efforts to reduce the homeless cat population by loaning humane traps and providing spay or neutering and vaccinations for free-roaming cats.

Pet Community Center offers:

- Spay/Neuter, vaccinations, and medical services by donation for community cats in Davidson County, and low-cost services for cats outside of Davidson County.
- Free trap and cage loan
- Free winter shelters, food, and other supplies
- Mentoring, education, resources, and outreach materials