THE PAW PRINT



TEAMING UP TO STOP UNPLANNED LITTERS

Animal Friends Alliance and Larimer Humane Society are coming together once again to offer \$20 spay surgeries for up to 90 cats in Larimer County.

Sterilization is one of the most effective strategies to reduce pet homelessness and is safe for kittens as young as 8 weeks old, according to the American Veterinary Medical Association.

Spaying a female cat before her first heat cycle (typically before six months of age) can have additional benefits, such as reducing the risk of certain reproductive cancers and infections.

Larimer County residents will receive priority for this special rate only while "Beat the Heat" appointments last. To take advantage of this offer, call (970) 484-1861 and make sure to mention that you would like to "Beat the Heat."



Sign up to receive our e-newsletter by emailing:

Development@SavingAnimalsToday.org

Are We There Yet?

THE COUNT

Adoptions: 35,037 Spays/Neuters: 78,672

FEBRUARY FIX FEST CELEBRATES SPAY/NEUTER ALL MONT

Join us this year in a month-long celebration of sterilization! February Fix Fest is happening right now.

This year's theme is: "It's Raining Cats and Dogs!" We are celebrating all things spay/neuter with surgery sponsorships, clinic supply sponsorships, t-shirts, and community partnerships helping to educate and improve access to spay/neuter surgeries for animals.

Spaying and neutering companion animals has never been more crucial. These procedures eliminate future health risks for animals and reduce animal homelessness by helping to prevent unplanned litters and control pet overpopulation.

World Spay Day is February 22 this year, but you can help us raise awareness and essential funding all month long. Sponsor a surgery for a pet in need or support the animals by purchasing your own It's Raining Cats & ******



Dogs t-shirt.

Looking for another reason to give? This year we've received an exciting \$10,000 matching gift from Iongtime supporter Kevin O'Hare, which means your gift will be doubled! We need to raise \$27,500 to support all of our spay/neuter programming, and we can't get there without you! Visit bit.ly/FixFest to help us reach our goal!

NEW SHELTER TO "BRING PAWS TOGETHER!"

Bringing Paws Together, our capital campaign to expand and improve our sheltering facilities at our Taft Hill Campus, is approaching a new milestone: later this spring we will see the beginning of renovations to the "brown house," our unused building at Taft Hill Campus, as well as the initial steps toward construction of our new shelter. Early construction will include the relocation of utility lines, roof repair, and laying the foundation of the new shelter. The construction plans have been finalized, so when the weather warms up, keep an eye out for some exciting changes! We anticipate construction will begin in May.

Due to the delay of construction until spring, we're still accepting Bringing Paws Together pledges.



We recently hit \$2M raised, but it's not too late to make your mark on our new shelter. You can share your special message on a tribute brick or celebration tag to honor a special loved one or to commemorate this exciting step for animals in our community. Email development@ savinganimalstoday.org to become a part of this important campaign!

LOOKING FOR NEW FOSTERS

Now is the perfect time to save a life through fostering! The time commitment required for a foster volunteer can be as short as a couple of days as you give an animal a break from the shelter, to 2-3 weeks for puppies and kittens. Fostering a mom with young kittens or puppies, cats and dogs with medical issues, and behavioral or undersocialized animals makes a huge impact on their overall health and wellbeing, as well as their adoptability.

When you foster an animal, you're helping to save at least two lives, because you're freeing up space for us to save other animals. Start your foster journey today! Our staff will help you with every step. We'll provide the supplies that you need, and our emergency foster line ensures that our foster team is there to help with any emergency that may arise.

TO START FOSTERING IN YOUR HOME, VISIT: SavingAnimalsToday.org/become-a-foster/ or email: Foster@SavingAnimalsToday.org.

SAVE A LIFE - DONATE!

IMAGINE WHAT YOUR GIFT CAN DO:

\$35 Vaccinate Eight Shelter Pets \$65 Spay or Neuter One Shelter Pet \$100

Help an At-Risk Dog in Our PAL+ Program

\$250 Provide All Pre-Adoption Care for One Cat/Dog \$500

Replace Important Medical Equipment

Enclosed is my donation of \$

Name Address City_____ State Zip **Email**

Donation on behalf of

Donations can be mailed to: ANIMAL FRIENDS ALLIANCE 2321 E. Mulberry St. #1, Fort Collins, CO 80524

Or online at: SavingAnimalsToday.org



BUSINESS PARTNERS IN ANIMAL WELFARE

If you're a small business owner or corporate representative and you want to support cats and dogs in Northern Colorado. look no further than our BizPAW program! BizPAW, or Business Partners in Animal Welfare, is our way of partnering with local businesses for donated funds, services, or products. In return, we promote businesses in our shelters and clinic. on our website, on social media, and more! Our BizPAWs come from a variety of fields, not just veterinary or animalbased businesses. and support us in a myriad of ways. Dr. Elsey's Precious Cat, for example, donates over \$10.000 worth of litter every year for us to give

away to cat adopters and use in our foster homes. Rocky Mountain Automotive, on the other hand, offers monetary support for our lifesaving work. And Africa Garcia at A2Z Language Services offers valuable translation services to us and our clients at no cost. These are just a few examples of the ways our BizPAWs are helping to reduce pet homelessness and promote the humananimal bond. Join us and see what your business can do for our community!

If you're interested in becoming a BizPAW, please reach out to Donor Relations Administrator Molly Rodgers at Molly.Rodgers@ SavingAnimalsToday. org.