

Organizations that Help Pet Owners

Sometimes your full service vet's office will have a fund to help clients in need. Other sources to turn to include friends, family, community groups you are part of, and crowd funding sites like GoFundMe.com that you can share on social media.

LOCAL:

King's Harvest Pet Rescue – Has a voucher program to assist with spaying and neutering of cats and dogs. 2504 West Central Park Avenue, Davenport, IA 563-386-3117

www.kingsharvestpetrescue.org

Mercer County Animal Control – Has a voucher program for Mercer County residents to assist with spaying and neutering of cats and dogs. 1638 Highway 17, Aledo, IL 309-582-5215

Rescued – This non-profit high-end resale shop assists pet owners with medical bills. 2105 16th Street, Moline, IL 309-235-0829 www.shoprescued.com

State of Illinois Animal Population Control Program – Has a voucher program for Illinois residents. Must be eligible for the Food Stamp Program or the Social Security Disability Insurance Benefits Program. 217-782-3984

CREDIT:

CareCredit – CareCredit is a financing option you can use for pet medical expenses. You can apply online. www.carecredit.com

STATE:

The Humane Society of the United States and **RedRover** offer state-by-state lists of pet financial aid organizations.

www.humanesociety.org/animals/resources/tips/trouble_affording_pet.html

www.redrover.org/resource/financial-assistance-programs-by-stateprovince

NATIONWIDE:

American Veterinary Care Charitable Fund – A grant for this program must be submitted by a veterinarian. The program was created as a way to give veterinarians a way to offer charitable services to clients facing financial hardships. Aid is geared toward senior citizens, disabled veterans, rescued animals, and victims of domestic violence. www.vccfund.org

The Big Hearts Fund – Financial aid for dogs and cats with heart disease.
www.bigheartsfund.org

Brown Dog Foundation – The mission of Brown Dog Foundation is to strengthen the human-animal bond by offering families in temporary financial crisis an alternative to euthanasia when their pet is diagnosed with a treatable but life-threatening condition or illness.
www.browndogfoundation.org

Dr. Steve Abrams Memorial Foundation – PetSavers, Inc. – Grants are awarded for sick and injured pets whom otherwise would not be treated due to the finances of their owners. Their vision is to eliminate the euthanasia of pets because of economics. Applicants must meet these criteria: have verifiable financial need, denied by CareCredit or a similar program, and have a favorable prognosis from a veterinarian. www.doctorsteve.org

Dylan's Hearts – A nonprofit agency that aids families struggling financially to pay for veterinary care. www.dylanshearts.com

Feline Veterinary Emergency Assistance - Provides emergency financial assistance to feline guardians who are unable to afford veterinary services to save their companion with Vaccine Associated Sarcoma (VAS), also referred to as Injection Site Sarcoma (ISS). www.fveap.org

The Gandalf Fund – This program offers financial aid for working and retired assistance dogs in the event of catastrophic illness or accidental injury. www.thegiftofsunshine.org

Harley's Hope Foundation – Financial assistance is offered, as resources allow, to assist with major or emergency veterinary care and behavioral or specialty training. Must submit proof of financial need. www.harleys-hopefoundation.org

Hope Mending Heart – The goal of the program is to help animals who need immediate veterinary care to survive. The typical grant is \$100 to \$200. Decisions are based upon several factors including medical urgency, financial need, available funding, pet eligibility, and pet owner financial status. www.hopemendinghearts.net

Land of Pure Gold – Helps full-time working dog partners who are diagnosed with cancer with \$1,000 grants per dog. www.grants.landofpuregold.com

Magic Bullet Fund – The group provides assistance for dogs fighting cancer.
www.themagicbulletfund.org

The Mosby Foundation - The Mosby Foundation is organized exclusively for charitable purposes, to assist in the care of critically sick, injured, abused and neglected dogs through financial support and public education. www.themosbyfoundation.org

Paws 4 A Cure – A nonprofit group that aids families whose dogs and cats are in need of non-routine veterinary care. www.paws4acure.org

Pet Assistance, Inc. – PAi helps long time pet owners who have always cared for their pet, yet sadly find they cannot afford an exceptional problem. Grants are made based on urgency, prognosis, and financial need. www.petassistanceinc.org

The Pet Fund – A nonprofit group that provides assistance to pets in need of veterinary care for cancer treatment, heart disease, and other non-basic or emergency care. www.thepetfund.com

RedRover Relief – This nonprofit organization offers grant money so pet caregivers can afford urgent and emergency veterinary treatment for their pets. www.redrover.org

Shakespeare Animal Fund SAF helps the elderly, disabled, and those whose total income does not exceed the current poverty guidelines to obtain emergency pet care.
www.shakespeareanimalfund.org

Violet's Friends – Violet's Friends in Need offers financial assistance for urgent or critical veterinary care, surgeries, therapies or mobility solutions that are too costly for pet parents.
www.oscarnewman.com/pages/violet-s-friends-in-need-fund

Wag! Community Pet Surgery Donation Program – This is a new twist for financial aid. It is a crowdfunding community that raises money for pet owners with unforeseen and costly pet surgery bills. These are emergency grants. Applicants must have their own crowdfunding campaign set up. www.wagwalking.com/blog/pet-surgery-crowdfunding