

Spay Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP) of Gallia County

PO Box 86, Gallipolis OH 45631

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It's hard to believe our program has existed for 12 years. I'm blessed to be a part of it. I established SNAP because there was no program available to reduce the number of unwanted cats and dogs. I firmly believe that spaying and neutering is the answer.

Each dog and cat that is spayed or neutered improves our community. It is one fewer cat or dog that is homeless, one fewer dog or cat that is abandoned, one fewer dog or cat that continues to have litter after litter, and one fewer dog or cat that enters the dog shelter or rescue system.

I am so appreciative of the people who have supported SNAP this year and every year. Together we are making a difference in the lives of the people and the animals we help. A difference that we will see for years to come.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and Happy New Year!

Chris Myers-Cozza
President and Founder

SPAY NEUTER NUMBERS

This year we have received 209 applications for spay neuter assistance. Additionally, volunteers humanely trapped 32 female cats and 20 male cats and transported them to Help for Animals Low Cost Spay Neuter Clinic in Barboursville, West Virginia. As of November 30, 228 cats have been spayed, 146 cats have been neutered, 12 dogs spayed, and 5 dogs neutered. The grand total of cats spayed or neutered since September 2010 (when our program began) is 4,302, and total number of dogs spayed or neutered is 480. Unfortunately, 12 dogs and 45 cats were not spayed and 11 dogs and 16 cats were not neutered because people did not redeem their vouchers.

WHAT WE DO

Many of you may not be aware how SNAP operates, so hopefully this will explain what we do. We are a 501c3 charitable organization and donations are tax-deductible if you qualify. We require Gallia County pet owners to complete an application for spay/neuter assistance. Based on income, the individual pays part or all of the reduced cost of the spay or neuter offered by the participating veterinarians. SNAP pays the rest of the cost (made possible by donations, fundraisers, and grants). Volunteers use their own vehicles to humanely trap feral cats, transport them to be spayed or neutered, and return the cats to the original location. (Trap-Neuter-Return is possible only when there are volunteers and we do not trap during the winter months.) We have no paid employees. We do not receive any funds from local or county agencies. SNAP is not a shelter. Please contact the Gallia County Dog Pound or Friends of Gallia County's Animals if you have unwanted dogs or cats.

VETERINARIANS

French Town Veterinary Clinic in Gallipolis, Help for Animals Low Cost Spay Neuter Clinic in Barboursville, West Virginia, and Kirkpatrick Animal Hospital in Henderson, West Virginia, participate in our program. Dr. Kirkpatrick and his staff recently signed on to help us with cats and we are very grateful! Thank you!

CONTRIBUTIONS

In addition to personal donations, we also receive money from other sources, including AmazonSmile, and Ohio Pet License Plate Fund.

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DONATIONS

Checks can be mailed to SNAP of Gallia County, PO Box 86, Gallipolis OH 45631. Donations can be made through our website using a credit card. You can also donate through PayPal: snapofgalliacy@att.net

OHIO PET LICENSE PLATE FUND

The Ohio Pet License Plates are Ohio vehicle registration tags with special pet images. The purchase of a special image from the BMV raises funds for spay and neuter of dogs and cats at qualifying agencies like us. We applied for and were awarded a grant this year. There are four different designs to choose from, Dog Friendly, Cat Friendly, Pet Friendly, and Rescue. And you can get a personalized plate. Six characters are allowed; a space counts as a character. There is an additional fee for this special plate, but it's another way to support the spaying and neutering of pets. Simply visit your deputy registrar's office, or call 1-800-589-TAGS, or go to oplates.com. The more plates purchased, the more dogs and cats can be spayed or neutered.

THANK YOU

The following individuals contributed to our program in one or more ways: a monetary donation, volunteering, and/or donation of yard sale items, and items for our Bingo games fundraiser. (Our last yard sale was this year. We don't have storage space.) And thank you to the people who support us by choosing our organization on AmazonSmile. We can't thank you enough for your generosity. This list is also posted on our website.

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