

FINANCIAL ASSISTANT WITH VET BILLS

AMERICAN ANIMAL HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

[www.aahahelpingpets.org], (866) 4HELPETS

"The heartbreak happens all too often? A pet owner is unable to afford treatment and their sick or injured companion animal pays the price. If the owner is elderly, disabled or on a fixed income, the cost of care may be too much of a stretch for their pocketbook. Perhaps they have been victimized by crime, property loss or a job layoff and are experiencing a temporary financial hardship? Making it too difficult to afford pet care. And some animals, brought to clinics by Good Samaritans, don't have an owner to pay for treatment. Whatever the situation, the fact remains the same: When sick or injured animals are unable to receive veterinary care, they suffer. Through the AAHA Helping Pets Fund, veterinary care is possible for sick or injured pets even if they have been abandoned or if their owner is experiencing financial hardship."

ANGELS 4 ANIMALS

[www.angels4animals.org], (916) 941-9119

"Angels4Animals, a non-profit organization and a program of Inner Voice Community Services, has a mission to serve as the guardian angel of animals whose caretakers find themselves in difficult financial situations. At Angels4Animals we believe that animal owners should not have to say goodbye to the animals that they love. Our work is accomplished in conjunction with veterinary clinics across the country, eager to assist as many animals, and their owners, as possible. Our services range from financial aid to complete treatment to those pets and pet owners in need."

CARE CREDIT

[www.carecredit.com], (800) 859-9975

A credit card company for health care, including veterinary care. "Care Credit, the leader in patient/client financing, has helped more than 3 million patients/clients get the treatment or procedures they needed and wanted. With a comprehensive range of plan options, for treatment or procedure fees from \$1 to over \$25,000, we offer a plan and a low monthly payment to fit comfortably into almost every budget."

CATS IN CRISIS

[www.catsin crisis.org]

"Cats in Crisis Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to helping individuals and humane organizations care for cats with chronic or emergency medical conditions through financial and fundraising assistance."

FELINE OUTREACH

[www.felineoutreach.org]

"Feline Outreach is a charitable organization formed to promote the routine and medical care of companion animals, particularly cats. Among other goals, the organization may enable shelters and the public to adopt, keep, and/or care for companion animals, particularly those with special needs - this support may be financial, educational, or in other forms."

FELINE VETERINARY EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (FVEAP)

[www.fveap.org], Fax: (888) 301-4264

"The NEED & The HELP: Seniors, People with disabilities, People who have lost their job, Good Samaritans who rescue a cat or kitten - any of these folks may need financial assistance to save a beloved companion." The Feline Veterinary Emergency Assistance Program is a nonprofit 501 (c)(3) organization that provides financial assistance to cat and kitten guardians who are unable to afford veterinary services to save their companions when life-threatening illness or injury strikes."

HELP-A-PET

[www.help-a-pet.org], (630) 986-9504

"Our efforts focus on serving the elderly, the disabled, and the working poor. For lonely seniors, physically/mentally challenged individuals and children of working parents, pets represent much more than a diversion."

IMOM

[www.imom.org], Fax: (630) 214-8952

"Mission Statement: Helping people help pets. To better the lives of sick, injured and abused companion animals. We are dedicated to insure that no companion animal has to be euthanized simply because their caretaker is financially challenged." (Note: IMOM has a special fund for diabetic cats)

SHAKESPEARE ANIMAL FUND

[www.shakespeareanimalfund.com], (775) 342-7040

"Anyone can apply for funds, but SAF offers assistance primarily to those on fixed incomes or with annual incomes below \$35,000. Exceptions are made depending on circumstances. It is always a one-time grant"

THE PET FUND

[thepetfund.com], (916) 443-6007

"The Pet Fund is a registered 501(c) 3 nonprofit association that provides financial assistance to owners of domestic animals who need urgent veterinary care. Often animals are put down or suffer needlessly because their owners cannot afford expensive surgery or emergency vet visits. Companion animal owners must often make the difficult decision to put an animal down or neglect urgent medical needs because of the costs involved. The purpose of the Pet Fund is to work towards a future where decisions about companion animal medical care need never be made on the basis of cost."

UNITED ANIMAL NATIONS

[www.uan.org], (916) 429-2457

"The mission of LifeLine is to help homeless or recently rescued animals suffering from life-threatening conditions that require specific and immediate emergency veterinary care. We strive to serve Good Samaritans and rescue groups who take in sick or injured animals. In certain cases, LifeLine can also assist senior citizens and low-income families pay for immediate emergency veterinary care."

Listing of other organizations that may not be listed here: [www.fveap.org]

This list of organizations was found on www.itchmo.com.