



## Pet Resource Guide

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## About Pet Safety Net

No one should ever have to give up their beloved pet because they can't afford pet care. Yet when people in our community find themselves financially stretched or facing other setbacks, they may struggle to afford care for their pets. The Pet Safety Net (PSN) program provides help with services to pets of Marin County residents facing financial hardships.

Contact us to discuss your needs and challenges so we can help keep you and your pet together. Click the links below to learn more about our services:

- [Veterinary Care Assistance](#)
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The first step is to apply on our website or via the link below. Once we've received your application, we'll send you an email to let you know if you qualify and request supporting documentation to verify your eligibility. We'll then reach out regarding the next steps.

For information on how to qualify, [check here](#).

- To request assistance from PSN, please apply: <https://bit.ly/ApplyforPSN>
- Para solicitar la asistencia de PSN, por favor aplica: <https://bit.ly/ApplyforPSN>

If you don't qualify for our services, we recommend reviewing these resources and checking your local municipal shelter for their services.

A variety of other programs are also searchable by zip code, [pets.findhelp.com by findhelp - Search and Connect to Social Care](#)



## Resources beyond PSN

Looking for pet care assistance in the Bay Area, beyond the services offered through the Pet Safety Net program? If you live outside Marin County, check with your local animal shelter for services available to residents.

### Financial Assistance and Low-cost Veterinary Care

These organizations offer low-cost veterinary care and financial assistance. The requirements vary, so please review each individually. These businesses/programs were compiled as a courtesy and are neither endorsed, nor guaranteed, by Marin Humane.

Bay Area programs:

- Sage Compassion for Animals
  - Offers financial assistance for expensive pet treatments and surgeries.
  - [www.sagec4a.org](http://www.sagec4a.org)
- Affordable Vet Referral Service
  - Offers low-cost solutions to expensive pet treatments and surgeries. \$35 referral fee
  - <https://www.avrs1.com/>
- The Pet Advocate
  - Offers low-cost solutions to expensive pet treatments and surgeries. Located in Tracy, California, serving the Central Valley and Bay Area.
  - <https://www.thepetadvocatevet.com/>
- Vets in Vans
  - Provides comprehensive clinic services to communities in the Bay Area via a mobile clinic vehicle.
  - <https://www.vetsinvans.org/>

National Financial Assistance Programs

- Red Rover: [www.redrover.org](http://www.redrover.org)
- Banfield Pet Hospital: <https://www.banfield.com/Services>
- Speaking for Spot: <http://www.speakingforspot.com/>
- The Pet Fund: <https://www.thepetfund.com/>
- Brown Dog Foundation: <https://www.browndogfoundation.org/>



- Frankie’s Friends Fund: <https://www.frankiesfriends.org/national-frankies-friends-fund>
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- Friends & Vets Helping Pets (lifesaving, not life-prolonging assistance only): <https://friendsandvetshelpingpets.org/>
- Hope Mending Hearts (emergency assistance): <http://www.hopemendinghearts.net/>
- The Onyx & Breezy Foundation (medically necessary only): <https://www.onyxandbreezy.org/>
- Pet Assistance, Inc. (emergency only): <https://www.petassistanceinc.org/>
- The Pet Lifeline Program: <https://petnewsdaily.com/financial-assistance/>
- Pets of the Homeless: <https://petsofthehomeless.org/get-help/>
- STARelief Home for Life Grant: <https://starelief.org/aid-a-pet-grant/>
- Wishbone Foundation (emergency only): <https://thewishbonefoundation.com/application/>

Financing options for animal health and wellness:

- Care Credit: <https://www.carecredit.com/>
- Scratch Pay: <https://scratchpay.com/>

### Low-cost vaccinations

These businesses/programs were compiled as a courtesy and are neither endorsed, nor guaranteed, by Marin Humane.

Organization	City	Phone number	Website
VIP Petcare	Various locations in Marin County	1-800-427-7973	<a href="#">Pet Health Care Services &amp; Pricing   VIP Petcare</a>
Cheap Shots	Oakland, Fremont, San Leandro	(510) 565-8001 (Text)	<a href="#">Pet Boarding and Pet Sitting - Dog, Cats Doggy Day Care, Vaccines (servingpets.com)</a>
Pets in Need	Palo Alto	(650) 496-5971	<a href="https://www.petsinneed.org/vaccineclinic">https://www.petsinneed.org/vaccineclinic</a>



VetCo	Various locations in Marin County		<a href="#">Low-Cost Pet Vaccination Clinic: Dog &amp; Cat Vaccinations, Microchips &amp; Pet Meds – Vetco Clinic at Petco (vetcoclinics.com)</a>
Petvet Petfood	El Cerrito Oakland,	510-215-5101/ (510) 652-9822	<a href="https://petvetpetfood.net/">https://petvetpetfood.net/</a>
Humane Society Silicone Valley	Milpitas		<a href="https://www.hssv.org/services/spay-neuter-vaccine-clinics/#vaccineclinic">https://www.hssv.org/services/spay-neuter-vaccine-clinics/#vaccineclinic</a>

### Affordable Spay/Neuter

Low-cost options around the Bay Area and beyond are included on this list. These businesses/programs were compiled as a courtesy and are neither endorsed, nor guaranteed, by Marin Humane.

Organization	City	Contact information	Website
Animal Fix Clinic	Richmond	510-215-9300	<a href="#">Home   Animal Fix Clinic</a>
Valley Humane Society's Phil Scholz Veterinary Surgery Center	Pleasanton	(925) 426-8656	<a href="#">Spay-Neuter Services   Valley Humane Society   Pleasanton, California</a>
For Paws Spay & Neuter clinic	Fremont	(510) 573-4660	<a href="#">ForPaws Spay &amp; Neuter – Have a nice spay! (wordpress.com)</a>
The Pet Advocate	Tracy	(209) 879-9367	<a href="#">The Pet Advocate (thepetadvocatevet.com)</a>
Furry Friends Pet Relief	Antioch	(925) 481-2294	<a href="#">Spay, Neuter and Dental Services   fffr (furryfriendspetrelief.com)</a>
Berkley Humane	Berkley	(510) 845-7735	<a href="https://berkeleyhumane.org/spay-the-bay/">https://berkeleyhumane.org/spay-the-bay/</a>
The PAW Fund (Financial Assistance)	Berkley	admin@pawfund.org	<a href="https://pawfund.org/spay-neuter/">https://pawfund.org/spay-neuter/</a>
Nine Lives Foundation (Cats only)	Redwood City	(650) 368-1365	<a href="https://ninelivesfoundation.org/low-cost-services/#private-cats">https://ninelivesfoundation.org/low-cost-services/#private-cats</a>



Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA	San Mateo	650-340-7015	<a href="https://phs-sPCA.org/spayneuter/">https://phs-sPCA.org/spayneuter/</a>
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### Pet Food

Marin Humane’s Pet Safety Net program delivers free pet food regularly to these organizations:

- [Vivalon](#)
- [Hamilton School food bank](#)
- [San Geronimo Valley Community Center food bank](#)
- [People's Inter-cities Fellowship](#)
- [Marin City Senior Center](#)

Other pet food pantries in the Bay Area:

- SFDog: Pet food pantry in the Mission District of San Francisco, check website for dates and exact location.
  - <https://sfdog.org/blog/help-san-francisco-families-feed-their-pets1>
- Full Belly Bus: Mobile pet food pantry in various locations and times in San Francisco, check website for exact dates and locations.
  - <https://fullbellybus.org/free-food-4-paws>

### End of Life Resources

For humane euthanasia and cremation, reach out to your veterinary hospital or go the [Pet Emergency Specialty Center of Marin](#). You can [apply](#) to PSN to receive financial assistance with humane euthanasia and after care.

Losing a beloved pet can be a painful and traumatic experience. A pet loss support group may be able to help. Marin Humane resources can be found here: [Pet Loss Support \(marinhumane.org\)](#)

### Grooming

Pet food express – [self grooming stations](#)



### Short-term foster care

Cheap Shots	Oakland, Fremont, San Leandro	(510)565-8001 (Text)	<a href="#">Pet Boarding and Pet Sitting - Dog, Cats Doggy Day Care, Vaccines (servingpets.com)</a>
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## Community Resources for people

County Community Resource Guide: <https://www.marinhhs.org/community-resource-guide>

Contact for Direct County Information & Assistance: <https://www.marinhhs.org/information-assistance>

Behavioral Health Services: <https://www.marinbhrs.org/>

Legal Aid of Marin: <https://www.legalaidmarin.org/>

Legal Self-Help Center: <https://www.marin.courts.ca.gov/legal-self-help-center>

Central Marin Police Authority: <https://www.centralmarinpolice.org/>

Center for Domestic Peace: <https://centerfordomesticpeace.org/>

Housing and Homelessness prevention: <https://rittercenter.org/>

County Children and Family Services:

- <https://www.marinhhs.org/children-family-services>



- <https://www.marincounty.org/residents/health-wellness/family-services>

Comprehensive Community Support and Wellness organizations:

- North Marin Community Services: <https://www.northmarincs.org/>
- Community Action Marin: <https://camarin.org/>
- Canal Alliance: <https://www.canalalliance.org/>
- West Marin Community Services: <https://www.westmarincommunityservices.org/>
- Marin City Community Services District: <https://www.marincitycsd.com/>