

Stitch in Time

The Newsletter of Spay and Neuter Solutions, Inc.

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WELCOME to "Stitch in Time", the newsletter for Spay and Neuter Solutions! We hope to keep you and our many other friends updated on our activities and progress in addressing the challenge of pet overpopulation in southern Arizona.

For Those Of You Who Don't Know Who We Are ...

Spay and Neuter Solutions was founded as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization on July 1, 2003. Pet overpopulation is an issue of great concern to virtually every animal welfare organization, many of which are overwhelmed by the number of homeless or abused pets in our communities. The **goal** of Spay and Neuter Solutions is to help make Arizona a pioneer state that can soon claim "**no more homeless animals.**" We work closely with other animal welfare organizations, each of which has its own mission and goals. The sole focus of Spay and Neuter solutions is in its name: we concentrate all of our efforts on spay and neuter issues.

We are dedicated to **PREVENTION** and **EDUCATION**. We provide for free and low-cost spay/neuter surgeries for companion animals in our community. We have negotiated discounted rates with participating veterinary clinics, and we pay all or part of the cost, depending on the need of the client. We also educate pet owners about the **importance of spay/neuter** in preventing the birth of unwanted animals and in improving the quality of life for their pets. **All donations** are used to promote and implement our programs and services.

To learn more about our mission, and our team, please visit us at www.spayandneutersolutions.org

Don't buy a pet ADOPT

Early spay and neuter is the solution to pet homelessness.
If it works...Fix It

There's a new driving force in the battle against pet overpopulation:
www.azpetplates.org

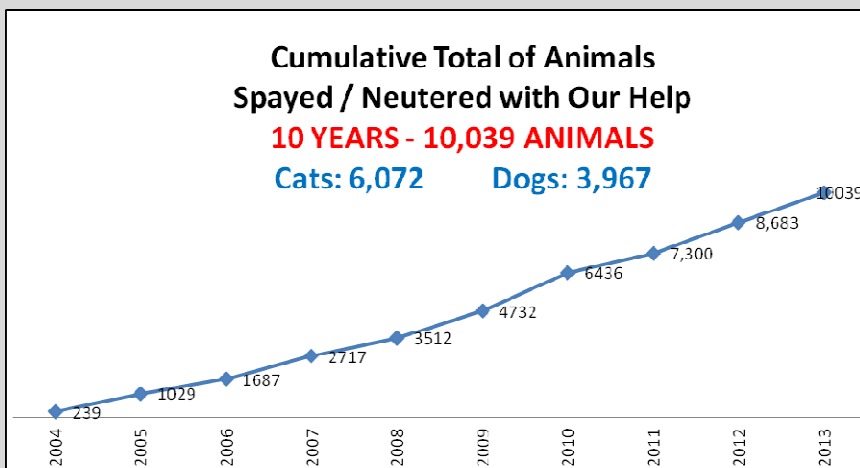


10 YEARS



10,039 ANIMALS

Spay and Neuter Solutions is proud to announce that we reached our goal, we provided financial assistance for 10,039 spay/neuter surgeries during our 10 years existence.



Spay and Neuter Solutions started its mission in July 2003. Year after year we tirelessly wrote grants, educated the public, organized fundraising, advertising, and all the other issues non-profit organizations face. The last few years were especially hard; the falling economy hit us hard. Against all the odds, our small group survived. In this last Fiscal Year 62% of our funding came from private donations and 38% from grants.

We would like to say a special thank you to those of you who set up their donation as an automatic payment. Giving a LITTLE every month can make a BIG difference and allows us to plan ahead. By making your donation an automatic withdrawal from the account of your choice, you don't have to remember to send a check. You can also set up recurring donations on *Network for Good* or on *PayPal*.

If you plan to support us on a continuing basis please indicate it on your check; we can generate an end of year statement. It would save us money not to send out tax receipts and thank you letters after each donation.

Thanks to You, our loyal supporters, we were able to help thousands of applicants, among them Nancyjo with her kitten, Turbo:

"I found this kitten when he was a baby in a cactus patch and people said they had heard him crying for days. I knew I couldn't afford vet bills but I couldn't leave him to die either. He had cholla in him I had to remove and he had to learn to eat solid food. When I get back to work I will donate to Spay and Neuter Solutions so you can continue to help others."

and Monique with her extended cat family:

"About the suggested \$10 per cat.. there is no way I could afford that right now. I broke my leg and have not had any income since. I will be lucky to pay next month's rent. We just finished the bag of cat food and I have been feeding them table scraps. To top it off Khalisi just had 6 kittens last night.. I don't know what I am going to do! I am in way over my head! I had called places back in Dec. And was told no funds till next year and then I broke my leg! I am not even very mobile yet. My little girl adores them. But I need to do something and I need help! Please help me!"

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PLEASE SPONSOR A CAT/DOG SPAY OR NEUTER

- Cat Neuter: \$29-\$30
- Cat Spay: \$50-\$58
- Dog spay and neuter: \$75-\$150 and above, based on weight.

BY DONATING ON OUR WEBSITE:

www.spayandneutersolutions.org

OR BY MAIL: CHECKS can be sent to Spay and Neuter Solutions,
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We could write a book about the stories we read in the applications. We hope our efforts will be a vital part of a growing movement in Tucson; we are partnering with the *No Kill Pima County* advocacy group and *Tucson Cares*, a local nonprofit organization, to end the needless killing of shelter animals in Tucson and Pima County. Spaying and neutering would prevent animals ending up in shelters. It is the only humane **solution** to help control pet overpopulation

If you would like to receive our **Newsletter electronically**, in color, please send us an email to help@spayandneutersolutions.org It would save us the postage.

THANK YOU FOR BEING OUR PARTNER IN HELPING THE ANIMALS

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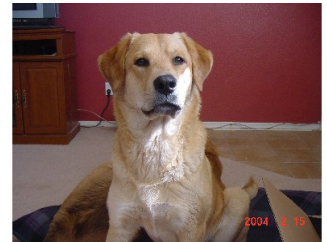
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Many thanks to our participating veterinarians:

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| • Animal Birth Control South: 1710 W. Valencia Rd. (shot clinic only) | Phone: 520-741-7729 |
| • Arizona Spay and Neuter Clinic: 4 W. Grant Rd. | Phone: 520-624-5005 |
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| • Twin Peaks Veterinary Center: 7555 W. Twin Peaks #101 | Phone: 520-572-8300 |
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| • Small Animal Spay/Neuter Clinic: 7340 N.Cortaro Rd. | Phone: 520-744-3458 |



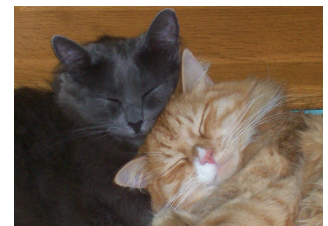
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How to Support Spay and Neuter Solutions

- ◆ **Shopping Options:** If you are a shopper, consider doing your shopping through iGive.com and we will receive a percentage of your purchase.
- ◆ **Ethical Choices:** If you are a vegetarian or vegan, please visit the local [Lovin' Spoonfuls](http://Lovin'Spoonfuls) restaurant (2990 N. Campbell Ave. 520-325-7766) owner Peggy supports our mission.
- ◆ **Car Talk:** If you have a clunker or a junker, please consider donating it to us. Email us at help@spayandneutersolutions.org for details.
- ◆ **Donating Online and at Work:** If you want to make a direct contribution, please visit our website, www.spayandneutersolutions.org, for information and a direct link to PayPal, Network for Good, Our Arizona Combined Federal Campaign number is #54167.
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