

## How to Support Spay and Neuter Solutions



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- ◆ **CAR TALK: to donate your clunker or junker.** Please call 520-247-6469
- ◆ **DONATING ONLINE OR AT WORK:** please visit our website, [www.spayandneutersolutions.org](http://www.spayandneutersolutions.org) You will find a direct link to **PayPal, Network for Good,**
- ◆ **GIVING BY MAIL:** please send check to **P.O. Box 762, Cortaro, AZ 85652.**



### Our Team

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- ◆ **THRIVENT FINANCIAL** *Thrivent Choice* is a charitable grant program that allows eligible members to recommend where *Thrivent Financial* distributes part of its charitable outreach grant funds each year.

### Many thanks to our partner veterinarians:

- ABC Low Cost Pet Care Clinic
- Altered Tails Barnhart Clinic
- Arizona Spay and Neuter Clinic
  - Eastside Pet Clinic
  - Pet Doctorx
- Santa Cruz Veterinary Clinic

### A Client's Thank You

My dog, Shadow, was helped by this program that helps so many. I am a college student at the UofA and I wanted to register my dog so that I could have him live with me, but I could not register him without him being neutered. Sometimes this procedure can be quite costly. I reached out to SNS and they helped me greatly with his procedure. I am so grateful to the foundation for helping me financially and now my dog is happy and safe.

Shadow says thank you too!

Happy dog owner, Jessica D.

# SPAY AND NEUTER SOLUTIONS

## OUR MISSION

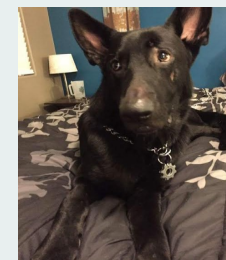
Spay and Neuter Solutions, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, was started in 2003 to provide financial support for Pima County pet owners unable to afford the cost of spaying/neutering their pets.

Sterilization prevents unwanted litters, abandonment and insures a longer, healthier life for pets.

## A STITCH IN TIME ....

### PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE

**SPAYANDNEUTERSOLUTIONS.ORG  
FOR SPECIAL EVENTS**

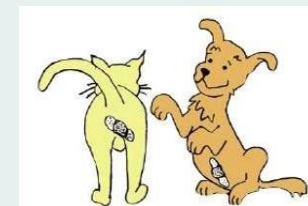


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### Our popular **TESTICLE FESTIVAL**

Is coming up in February  
**Last year 561 pet owners** applied for our special \$5 spay/neuter rate.

Let's hope we will have even more in 2018



"If It Works...Fix It!"



## URGENT PLEA

One would think that after 15 years of providing low cost spay/neuter services for pets of people with low income in our community, the demand would decrease. Not so. Maybe SNS is doing such a great job of educating folks about the importance and benefits of sterilizing their pets that the demand keeps increasing, or maybe people still haven't gotten the message and wait to call when pets go into heat or become pregnant. Whatever the case, SNS receives as many requests as always for low cost surgeries of dogs and cats.

The good news is that our contract with Pima County was renewed in March. Through the ***Pima County Spay Neuter Fund***, SNS again received \$70,000. The bad news is that we spent all of the money by the end of October!

The good news is that we once again received funding from the ***Arizona Pet Friendly License Plate Fund***. The bad news is, due to the intense interest in these funds from non-profit animal welfare organizations around the state, instead of the usual \$10,000, SNS was awarded \$5,000, for which we are extremely grateful.

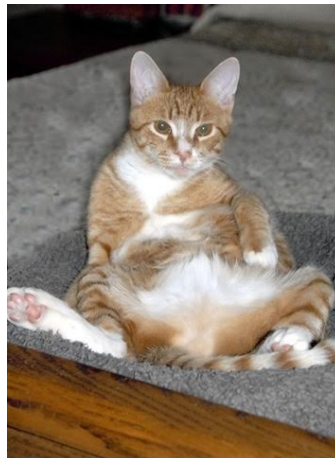
So, that leads us to ask our devoted supporters, as well as donors who may be new to SNS to help us continue serving residents in Pima County .

This year Mother Nature has not been kind to several areas of our country. Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria devastated Texas, Puerto Rico and Florida. The massive amounts of monetary assistance that poured into those regions has had an impact on the local animal welfare organizations. While we are so glad that people have been so generous to areas in need, our needs at SNS, sadly, have not diminished.

As we reported to you in the past newsletters, SNS has offered monthly clinics to residents of Three Points, a rural community west of town that suffers from abject poverty. Unfortunately, we are forced to put these clinics on hold due to our financial constraints.

We ask that you keep in mind that in **15 years, SNS has paid for almost 20,000** spays and neuters.

SNS is the **ONLY** non-profit in Arizona that is dedicated solely to spay and neuter. We have been able, in the last two



years, to offer limited medical assistance for animals (while under anesthesia for sterilization) using specially dedicated funds through the **Pretty Boy McTavish Medical Fund**.



*Please consider a donation to SNS as an end of year gift.*

*We wish you all a happy holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year.*

*Thank you so much for your support.*



*Ginger, our mascot, crossed the Rainbow Bridge*