

# Veterinary Assistance Fund



Providing financial assistance for veterinary expenses for in-need pet owners of Park County, City of Livingston or surrounding communities

## Application & Information Packet

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### Information & Guidelines:

The Veterinary Assistance Fund was established in 2017 by grants from the Banfield Foundation and the Park County Community Foundation and has since been replenished by a grant from the Humane Society of the United States. This fund is administered by the management of Stafford Animal Shelter, providing support for 'owned' animals (not shelter animals or stray animals).

This fund is intended to provide financial assistance to residents of the community who are unable to afford necessary veterinary care for their pets. This care can include either routine care (check-ups, vaccinations, medications) or more in-depth care for an illness or injury. This fund is not intended for spay/neuter surgery, if you need assistance for that purpose, please contact the Spay/Neuter program.

This fund is geared towards low income residents, or those experiencing a financial hardship. Proof of income or verifiable information regarding hardship is required with the application.

The Shelter will also need to verify the veterinary need, treatment or medication with the prescribing veterinarian and make payment arrangements.

Financial assistance is not guaranteed. Decisions will be made based on available funds, need of the applicant, and input from veterinarian on diagnosis and prognosis of animal.

Payment will be made directly to the veterinarian, not to the applicant or any other individual.

***Application requirements: All of the items listed below must be submitted for an application to be considered complete:***

- 1) Completed attached application
- 2) Copy of Photo ID
- 3) Proof of income or assistance program support
- 4) Photograph of pet

Completed applications can be dropped off at Stafford Animal Shelter during open business hours, Wednesday – Sunday, 12pm-5pm, 3 Business Park Road, Livingston, MT 59047 Or e-mailed to the Shelter at [admin@staffordanimalshelter.org](mailto:admin@staffordanimalshelter.org). Applicants will be contacted within 2 business days of receipt of the completed application.

Need more information? Please call the shelter at 406-222-7976 or by e-mail at [admin@staffordanimalshelter.org](mailto:admin@staffordanimalshelter.org)

Thank you,  
Stafford Animal Shelter

# Veterinary Assistance Application

Photo ID

Proof of income

Photo of pet

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet you need help for:      Dog                  Cat                  Male                  Female

Pet's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight/size: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe medical problems for which you are seeking assistance: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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Has this animal had vaccinations?      \_\_\_\_\_ Rabies      \_\_\_\_\_ Distemper

When Vaccinated? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have vaccination records? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, who is your veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you get this pet? Please circle one below:

Pet Store    Free to good home ad    Friend/Family    Animal Shelter    Breeder    Found    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet Spay/Neutered? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this pet pregnant or in heat? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, which one \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you owned this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Number of pets in your household: \_\_\_\_\_ Dogs \_\_\_\_\_ Cats \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Are your other pets spayed and neutered? Yes or No

How did you hear about this program? \_\_\_\_\_

Number and ages of people in household: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently receiving state or federal government assistance? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, which programs? \_\_\_\_\_

Please state your yearly income. \_\_\_ under \$10,000 \_\_\_ \$10,000 to \$20,000 \_\_\_ \$20,000 to \$30,000  
\_\_\_ \$30,000 to \$40,000 \_\_\_ over \$50,000

**Please provide supporting documentation to show income (pay stub, gov't asst. notice, tax return or other)**

Please describe your financial situation and any other reason you are requesting assistance at this time:

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If your pet requires long term care or treatment, how are you prepared to pay for costs?

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