

# The Animal Care Foundation of MN



## Making a difference

The Animal Care Foundation works with member clinics to ensure that neighbors who are in extreme financial need and are either 65 or older or disabled can access necessary veterinary care for their beloved pet.

We match generous member clinics who agree to provide some pro bono services with clients in their area and who are vetted to ensure they meet our qualifications.

By becoming a member clinic, you are telling your community that you care and want to give back.

## Veterinarians control the program

- Member clinics have representatives on the board.
- We contact your clinic for permission prior to each referral.
- You may accept or refuse the referral.
- You have access to a yearly giving report for your clinic, upon request.
- You choose your clinic contact person, and method of communication.
- No member clinic fees or dues.

### Contact us with any questions:

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## Supplemental programming

Member clinics are expected to provide up to \$250 of pro bono care per calendar year for each ACF client they accept. Once that threshold has been met, there are additional programs available to help ACF clients that do not require extra giving by the member clinic. These programs are:

### 1. Supplemental Care Program

Provides an additional \$100 towards any necessary veterinary care.

### 2. Chronic Care Program

Provides additional funds to cover chronic care such as (but not limited to) medicine, extra clinic visits, diagnostics, prescription food, other needed care tied to the chronic disease.

### 3. Dental Care Program

Provides additional funds to cover dental care such as (but not limited to) cleaning and extraction.



## Clients are screened for eligibility

Applications are reviewed ensuring clients meet the following requirements:

1. Reside in your county.  
AND
2. Are disabled or over the age of 65.  
AND
3. Hve an income of 135% or less of the federal poverty level. (This is the percentage used to determine eligibility for Supplemental Social Security and Food Stamps.)

### As a member clinic you are agreeing to:

Accept at least one ACF client a year. (You may always deny a client at the point of referral, no questions asked.)

Provide \$350 (\$250 pro bono care by your clinic and \$100 paid for by ACF) per year of necessary veterinary care to ACF clients whose referral you accept.

Provide ACF with receipts for the care provided.



### What to expect if you join as a Member Clinic:

- Step 1:** ACF staff will get in touch with your clinic contact person with a referral for a client who has completed our application process and been approved.
- Step 2:** The clinic contact person will decide if your clinic is able to accept the client and let ACF know the decision.
- Step 3:** If your clinic accepts them as a client, our staff will contact the client and provide them with contact information for making an appointment.
- Step 4:** Complete the appointment and treat the client's pet.
- Step 5:** Send a copy of the client's receipt to ACF showing the services provided and the cost, any pro bono portion covered by the clinic, and the remaining balance.
- Step 6:** ACF will send you a check for up to \$100 (from the Supplemental Care Program) towards the remaining balance. If the client needs additional care for Chronic or Dental reasons, fill out the 1-page application and return to ACF. If not, the client is responsible for any cost over \$350.