

THE \$20 FIX: AnimalKind's Financial Assistance Program for Pet Spay/Neuter

Your Name: _____ Where did you get this application? _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Street Address (if different from your mailing address): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ In what county do you live? _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Your Age: _____ Number of Adults in Household (including you): _____ Number of Children in Household: _____

Only in extreme circumstances, AnimalKind may be able to reduce the \$20 co-pay (the amount you pay). YES, have someone contact me about reducing the co-pay.

Please enclose EITHER a copy of your Medicaid card OR a copy of the last tax return for each adult in your household. If you qualify based on your current income (see back side of application) but did not file taxes, please enclose a note of explanation and your best proof of income (W-2's, check stubs, etc.).

Are you enclosing a copy of your own Medicaid card? ____ Yes ____ No

Are you enclosing a copy of the last tax return for each adult in your household? ____ Yes ____ No

Current household income per month from all sources (the amount before taxes are taken out): _____

Please list any assistance programs from which your household gets help: _____

Important note about privacy: The information you provide will not be sold or shared. For additional protection of your private information, please mark through the Social Security numbers on all copies of documents before mailing them. Do not send original documents!

Please list your pets that need spay/neuter surgery:

We cannot issue vouchers for feral or stray cats or dogs. (Contact us for other resources.)

Dog or Cat	Pet's Name	Sex	Description or Breed	Pregnant? In Heat?	Approx. Age	Approx. Weight

I understand that THE \$20 FIX vouchers are for pets owned by me—the applicant. The information I have provided about myself, my pets, and my household income is accurate and truthful. I have enclosed a photocopy of my Medicaid card or the best proof I have of my total household income. Fraudulent use of THE \$20 FIX program will result in services charged to me at full price and possible legal action against me and others involved in the fraudulent use of vouchers.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please mail completed application to: **THE \$20 FIX, P.O. Box 12568, Raleigh, NC 27605.** If you need help filling out the application, please call **919-870-1660** or e-mail: thefix@animalkind.org. Please do not mail payment with application.

(Office use only--Form 9-22-08) Reviewer:	Date	Approved	Denied	Professional Referral (Name/Position/Contact Info):

How do I use THE \$20 FIX pet spay/neuter program?

1. Complete this application and mail to:

THE \$20 FIX, P.O. Box 12568, Raleigh, NC 27605.
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2. You will receive the voucher(s) by mail:

If you are not accepted into THE \$20 FIX program, you will be notified. If your application is approved, you will receive the pet voucher within 4 weeks. The voucher works like a “coupon” for your pet’s surgery. It is accepted only at participating vets, can be used for your pet only, and is valid for 3 months.

3. You call a participating veterinarian to make an appointment:

You will receive a list of participating vets with your voucher. Call to make your vet appointment immediately after receiving your voucher. Appointment space may fill up fast and your voucher has an expiration date!

Your pet must be at least 3 months old to get spayed or neutered. Minimum weight varies by vet—generally 2 pounds for a cat and 2-10 pounds for a dog. (Minimum age for a rabies shot is 4 months.)

The vet will give you instructions for your pet’s pre-surgery care and can answer your questions about the surgery.

4. You take your pet(s) to the vet appointment:

Take cash with you. You must pay the co-pay amount of **\$20 per pet in cash** to the vet when you drop off your pet. (Co-pay includes rabies shot if received.) You should be prepared to show your picture ID at the vet’s office.

Take your pet’s current rabies certificate if you have one. If you do not have rabies paperwork with you, the vet may give your pet a rabies shot, as required by law—and the cost is covered by your co-pay. (The rabies tag is not sufficient proof of vaccination.)

Be on time for your vet appointment! If you must cancel, be sure to call the vet several days before the appointment so someone else’s pet can use the space!

Do I qualify for THE \$20 FIX pet spay/neuter program?

You must be a resident of Caswell, Durham, Orange, Person, or Wake County in North Carolina to participate in THE \$20 FIX. (Please ask us about programs in other areas.)

You must own the cat or dog. THE \$20 FIX cannot provide assistance for stray or feral animals and you cannot apply for vouchers to use for someone else’s pet. (Please ask us about programs for stray/feral animals or pets of residents who do not qualify for THE \$20 FIX but need reduced-cost spay/neuter.)

THE \$20 FIX program is for residents who have no other options for financial assistance for pet spay/neuter. Our funds are limited so it is important that we serve those who need our help the most.

College students who receive any financial support from parents are not eligible for THE \$20 FIX unless their parents also qualify financially. (Please ask us about other discounted programs available to college students.)

There are two ways to qualify:

1. Enclose a copy of your own Medicaid card. (If you are a Medicaid participant, you automatically qualify.)

OR

2. Enclose a copy of the last tax return of each adult in your household. To qualify without a Medicaid card, the combined gross income (amount before taxes are deducted) for your entire household must fall within these guidelines:

1-person household (you)	\$13,000 or less
2-person household	\$17,000 or less
3-person household	\$21,000 or less
4-person (or more) household	\$25,000 or less

Note: Copy machines are often found at libraries, post offices, drugstores, and office supply stores. If you qualify by income but did not file taxes, please enclose a note of explanation and your best proof of income (W-2’s, check stubs, etc.).



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Spay or Neuter Your Pet for \$20 or Less

919-870-1660

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