



Options to fund mobile spay/neuter clinics

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Background

- **The need is there**
 - Shelter intake is primarily unaltered animals
 - Kittens season is real and especially long this year
- **Benefits of spay/neuter**
 - Medical, behavioral and cheaper
- **Responsible pet owners**
 - Want to do the right thing but can't afford

A close-up photograph of a brown dog, possibly a Weimaraner, wearing black-rimmed glasses. The dog is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. The background is a soft, out-of-focus indoor setting.

Options at this time

- **Things considered:**
 - **Cost to County**
 - **Cost to pet owner for services provided**
 - **Rabies reporting**
 - **Transparent statistics**
 - **Funds got to MoCo residents**



FREE SPAY/NEUTER

The Big Fix

- How it started
 - Helping reduce Moss Landing feral cats
 - 4 clinics later: 165 animals altered and counting
- Agencies involved
 - The SPCA for Monterey County (SPCA)
 - Animal Friends Rescue Project (AFRP)
 - Salinas Animal Services (SAS)
 - Friends of Community Animal Services (FoCAS)
 - Spay CA Now
 - Community Cat Allies
 - Peace of Mind Dog Rescue (POMDR)



Big Fix Clinic

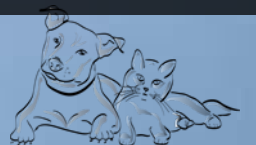
- **Animals brought to the clinic locations by their owners/caretakers.**
 - They are spayed/neutered, microchipped and vaccinated for \$25
 - Animals are picked up later that same day.
- **Location determined by agreement of partners**
 - Areas to be targeted are those most contributing to shelter intake
- **Rabies certificates provided according to local ordinance**
- **Using database, ClinicHQ, able to provide statistics for reporting as well as on-line sign up.**





2020 Plan for Big Fix

- **2 clinics per month at different locations around MoCo and its cities**
 - **Potential to reach about 900 + animals!**
 - **Already scheduling Salinas and South County locations for January and February**
- **Cost is about \$3000 per clinic**
 - **Jan-June estimate is \$36,000**
 - **SPCA has secured funding through June**
 - **Animal Services to contribute vaccinations and additional surgical supplies.**
 - **Funding identified within department budget for estimated (\$16,000)**
 - **No additional funding needed at this time**





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Questions?

SPAY & NEUTER SAVES LIVES