



Colorado Veterinary
Medical Foundation

COMMUNITY PET STERILIZATION GRANT PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Purpose

The CVMF Community Sterilization Grant (CSG) program was created to assist Colorado veterinarians in offering subsidized spay and neuter procedures for felines and canines, thus helping control pet overpopulation and supporting the charitable contributions made by veterinarians to their communities.

Grant availability

CVMF will annually request grant proposals, on the timetable described below, provided that \$10,000 or more is available in the fund for distribution. CVMF intends to award the bulk of grant funding on the annual cycle, but may reserve some funds in order to accommodate special grant requests for extraordinary circumstances at other times during the fiscal year. In an attempt to support as many veterinary clinic charitable budgets as possible, grant awards will be capped at \$500 per year to each clinic.

Grant application

CVMF desires to keep the application process uncomplicated; accordingly, a one-page letter from a licensed Colorado veterinarian will suffice. The letter must contain:

- a description of how grant funding would be utilized
- a description of the need for subsidized spay/neuter surgeries in the community
- an estimate of the number of surgeries that will be subsidized by the grant
- the date of receipt of any previous CSG funding (within the prior three calendar years), if any, from CVMF
- a description of other grant funds applied for or received that will be utilized in conjunction with CVMF funds
- a statement that the veterinarian submitting the letter is a licensed Colorado veterinarian whose license is in good standing with the Colorado State Board of Veterinary Medicine

Grant cycle

CVMF will publicize the grant proposal opportunity during the spring and summer of each year in which funding is available. Grant requests are due to the CVMF office no later than September 1. Grant decisions will be communicated to grant applicants by December 15. Award of grant funds will be made by January 15, and must be used in the calendar year in which the funds are received.

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