

Spay/Neuter

Good for pets and the people
who **love** them.



Spay/Neuter Awareness Month

We hear from people all the time that they don't need to sterilize their pets because the pets never get out so won't reproduce.

Please help us spread the message that there are many more benefits to spay/neuter.

Sterilized pets live longer, healthier lives. In 2013, Banfield released findings of researchers who had looked at life longevity compared to spay/neuter status in 2.2 million dogs and 460,000 cats. The researchers found that spayed female dogs lived **23%** longer than intact female dogs, neutered dogs lived **18%** longer, spayed cats lived **39%** longer and neutered male cats lived a whopping **62%** longer than unneutered.

The following are some of the benefits of sterilization:

Female spay (removal of ovaries and uterus)

- Prevents pregnancy, a possible costly cesarean section with risks to the mother, and unwanted babies
- Reduces or eliminates risk of mammary gland, ovarian and uterine cancer, especially if done before the first heat cycle (4 months in cats and 5-6 months in dogs)
- Eliminates possibility of uterine infections, which can be costly to treat and potentially fatal
- No more heat cycles with bloody discharge and annoying mating behaviors such as crying incessantly, nervous pacing, roaming, trying to escape, and attracting unneutered males

Male neuter (removal of testicles)

- Eliminates the risk of testicular cancer
- Decreases risk of prostate disease and tumors
- Significantly decreases desire to roam looking for females in heat, thereby decreasing possibility of getting lost or injury from being hit by a car or getting into fights
- Reduces or eliminates risk of marking/spraying their territory with urine (if the habit is already established, it may not be completely eliminated)
- Can decrease or eliminate mounting of inappropriate objects

- Decreases territorial and aggressive behavior, including biting and fighting

For both sexes, spaying/neutering removes discomfort, distress and distraction, freeing pets to enjoy time with their families!

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT DONNA CRUZE

Donna recently celebrated her 8-year anniversary with us!

She handles our donor database, donor communications, website, IT, and assisting with marketing and fundraising. She is always willing to help whoever needs it at the clinic.

She enjoys meeting our clients and helping the at-risk dogs and cats in our community.

She spends her spare time working with horses, pigs, and other animals on her children's farms in Northern Kentucky.



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