

## Spay-Neuter-Now, Ltd.

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#### **About Spay-Neuter-Now (SNN)**

SNN is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to putting a dent into companion animal (cat & dog) overpopulation in the North Country through education and providing affordable spay/neuter services. SNN's continued operation is dependent on donations and fundraisers.

Our organization was founded by Beatrice Schermerhorn (Hammond, NY) in 1994 with a voucher program with local veterinarians. Since then, SNN's primary operations have expanded throughout St. Lawrence, Jefferson and Lewis Counties and include humane education, veterinary partnerships and a high quality, high volume spay/neuter mobile clinic.

The primary cause for animal owners to fail to spay/neuter their pets is due to the costs. Spay/Neuter surgery procedures can cost between

#### **Targeted Programs & Eligibility**

To use SNN programs, clients must meet targeted eligibility guidelines through an application process:

- 1) Cats & Dogs from Income-Qualified Households (=<250% USDA Poverty Guidelines).
- 2) Cats from Military Households.
- 3) Caretakers of Community or Free-Roaming Cats (stray, feral, colony, barn cats, etc.).

Applications are available at www.spayneuternow.org or contacting Spay-Neuter-Now.

### SNN Program Statistics

SNN Program Spay & Neuter Surgeries 1994-2018: 20,017 Animals

SNN Program Spay & Neuter Surgeries 2011-2018: 8,036 Animals (6736 Cats, 1300 Dogs)

SNN Program Animals Vaccinated for Rabies 2011-2018: 6784 Animals (6083 Cats, 701 Dogs)

All animals spayed and neutered through SNN's programs receive a rabies vaccination.

90.31% of Cats Required Rabies Vaccinations in SNN Programs (2011-2018 Data)

53.92% of Dogs Required Rabies Vaccinations in SNN Programs (2011-2018 Data)

Less than 2% of Vaccines Administered were Rabies Boosters (2011-2018 Data)

## SNN Programs by Region

Clients can use whichever SNN program works for them best and clients from neighboring counties are certainly welcome to apply as well. Clients for all SNN programs and partnerships must go through SNN's application process and please refer clients to SNN's website or to contact SNN by phone or email.

St. Lawrence County: Partnership with Town & Country Vet Clinic (Ogdensburg, Potsdam, Massena)

Jefferson County: SNN Mobile Clinic. Partnership with The Animal Doctors (Watertown)

Lewis County: SNN Mobile Clinic. Partnership with Little Friends Veterinary Services (Lyons Falls)

# How can your municipality help your community's animals?

# 1) You can help by spreading the word about Spay-Neuter-Now (SNN).

The more people who know about SNN, the more animals and people can receive help.

- -Refer clients to call 315-489-0541, 315-486-0094, visit <a href="www.spayneuternow.org">www.spayneuternow.org</a> or email SNN at <a href="mailto:spayneuternow@hotmail.com">spayneuternow@hotmail.com</a>.
- -Do you have a space to put up a poster or applications? Need more? Please contact SNN. You can also offer a website link to: <a href="http://www.spayneuternow.org/apply-now/">http://www.spayneuternow.org/apply-now/</a>
- -Share social media posts about SNN programs and fundraisers.

  Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/spayneuternow.org/
- -Provide or host events related to the proper care of animals.

### 2) Start spay/neuter incentive programs in your community (examples below).

- -The Town of Hammond offers a \$10 discount per animal to Hammond taxpayers (confirmed through the Town Clerk).
- -Lisbon Community Spay Neuter Fund offers \$20-\$30 discounts for Lisbon taxpayers (confirmed through the Town Clerk).
- -A private donor provided over \$2,000 (2018-2019) to exclusively help spay/neuter free-roaming cats in Boonville.
- 3) Keep aware of other animal organizations and programs available in your area.
- 4) Help your local animal organizations identify the issues in your area.
- -Do you know about any local free-roaming cat colonies? Often with larger colonies or barns of cats, it may take the coordination and resources of several different animal groups to get the situation under control.
- -Does your community have low-income housing facilities with owned animals? We can get in touch with management so they can also refer their tenants to animal groups for help.
- 5) Stay vigilant against animal cruelty in your community.
- 6) Help or conduct fundraising efforts to help animals and people in your community.