

Veterinary Social Work Services at MASH

- MASH has three full time VSWs (Veterinary Social Workers), licensed mental health clinicians, who provide free clinical support for clients and staff.
- There are VSWs on site 7 days a week:
 - Sunday (Lily) 11am- 9:30pm
 - Monday (Lily and Rebecca) 8am-6:30pm
 - Tuesday (Lily and Rebecca) 6am- 6:30pm
 - Wednesday (Lily, Rebecca, and Victor) 6am- 8:30pm
 - Thursday (Rebecca and Victor) 8am- 8:30pm
 - Friday (Victor) 10am- 8:30pm
 - Saturday (Victor) 10am- 8:30pm
- VSWs can be reached at (323)-948 -1400, or directly via email - rbaker@mash.vet/lpoulter@mash.vet/vluna@mash.vet
- VSW services are available in Spanish Weds-Sat through Victor Luna.
- VSWs provide services for both staff and clients including but not limited to:
 - Short term grief/anticipatory grief counseling
 - Pet loss support group (3x a month via Zoom)
 - End of life support
 - Crisis Intervention
 - Liaisoning between client and veterinary team
 - Euthanasia Support
 - Referrals to resources
- VSWs do not provide ongoing therapy, although if therapy is needed, VSW may be able to assist with finding a long term clinician.
- If there are any questions or concerns regarding VSW services, please contact the social services manager Rebecca Baker at rbaker@mash.vet