

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR OWNERS

Paws For Hope

Website: <https://pawsforhope.org>

Email: info@pawsforhope.org

They offer a ton of different financial resources for spaying/neutering, emergency funding, and long term support for homeless and low-income pet owners via donated pet food, supplies, animal health clinics, vet care, and training/behaviour support. This may be a good resource for general funding, as the next few organizations are geared more towards emergencies only.

Vancouver Humane Society

General site: <https://vancouverhumanesociety.bc.ca>

McVitie Veterinary Assistance Program: <https://vancouverhumanesociety.bc.ca/vet-assist/>

The McVitie program offers funding to low-income individuals for essential treatments that the animal would otherwise die without. They do require proof of income. Applications and documents are submitted via their website as linked above.

Balfour's Friends Foundation

Website: <https://balfoursfriendsfoundation.webs.com>

Email: balfoursfriendsfoundation@gmail.com

This organization offers to subsidize the cost of vet care for individuals in need. The application must be submitted via a veterinary email, so all supporting documents of the client need to be provided to the clinic. They warn that if pet owner's apply or inquire via their personal email, it may cause their application to be rejected without further analysis. They do require quite a few documents for proof of income as well.

There is an application form on the website that can be filled out by the client, but documentation of treatment and the prognosis needs to be provided from the vet. To apply, all the documentation required (listed on the website under "contact us") is sent to the email above.

In Memory of Maggie

Website: <https://inmemoryofmaggie.ca>

Email: maggiemay99@telus.net

They provide emergency funding for low-income individuals where the animal would otherwise die without treatment. The application along with all supporting documents must be submitted from the vet clinic; they do not accept personal applications. They require proof of income and a cost analysis breakdown of the pet owner's personal expenses. They also require an application to be filled out from both the client and the vet clinic, and they need a breakdown of the procedure and cost from the vet clinic. They only accept applications for funding before the procedure or up to three days after an emergency procedure. The forms can be found on their website under Financial Assistance > Application Forms and once filled out, the application and supporting documents can be sent to the email above.

Petcard

Website: <https://www.petcard.ca>

Application: <https://www.petcard.ca/apply-now.php>

Phone: 1-888-689-9876

This is not a charity, but a Canadian financing organization. They offer quick financing and same-day approval as long as you can complete the application and provide proof of income. This can be a phone call to your boss, as long as the conversation happens through a verifiable company phone number. The amount you qualify for depends on your credit and you can work out a repayment term anywhere from 6 months - 6 years. Their interest rates vary from 7.95% - 24.95% depending on your term/credit. They pay the vet directly, which means that even if you are unsure of the exact cost, they can adjust the loan to increase/decrease as needed. There is no penalty for repaying early and are open over the weekend as well.