

TRANSPORT PROGRAM INTRODUCTION

Dear Potential Transport Partner,

Spay Illinois is thrilled to announce our availability of spay/neuter transport service, for cats and dogs, to remote and underserved communities within two hours of our stationary clinic facility in Lisle. We are always looking to partner with new organizations hoping to provide their local community with quality, affordable spay and neuter. Together, we can end pet homelessness by reducing pet overpopulation and ensuring fewer pets enter area shelters through spay and neuter.

Here's How It Works:

- 1) Apply to join Spay Illinois' transport program by sending an email to our Program Manager, Bobby, at bkaminsky@spayillinois.org
- 2) Once approved, Spay Illinois will schedule a site visit and coordinate with you to determine a pick up/drop off location and mutually beneficial dates to schedule events. Spay Illinois will also provide the following services:
 - a. Press Releases, advertising, and flyers to highlight your event.
 - b. Scheduling flexibility via our Program Manager, Bobby Kaminsky
 - c. Transportation with a capacity to provide care for up to 30 pets during each event.
 - d. Special subsidy pricing on spay, neuter, vaccination, micro-chipping and other services for your organization. This offers you the flexibility to set your own pricing for public participants. We will send a list of pricing suggestions to help you subsidize cost of care for your adoptable animals, as well.

3) Further Instructions

- a. Pick up and drop off times for the dates of your transport events will be determined to accommodate your selected facility. Ordinarily, we suggest clients drop off their pets between 6:30-7:00AM and pick up later that day between 6:00-6:30PM, depending on your preferences.
- b. When selecting a designated location, we do not require the use of an indoor facility. We only require the use of parking lot space.
- c. Clients will contact you directly to schedule appointments for surgery and you will be given a specific capacity for scheduling regarding pet species, weight, etc for each event.
- d. We are not equipped to transport pets weighing of 75 pounds due to vehicle space and safety.
- e. We do require that publicly owned dogs age 6 years and older and cats age 8 years and over receive pre-surgical bloodwork prior to spay/neuter.

- f. We require that all feral cats arrive in live traps.
- g. In the event that local schools have closed due to weather conditions, our transport event will be cancelled and rescheduled for safety. Your organization will be responsible for calling clients to re-schedule their appointments.
- h. Please note that the transport driver does retain the right to refuse service to any animal appearing too ill or aggressive for a safe transportation and surgery.
- 4) What a Transport Event Entails
 - a. Spay Illinois' transport van will arrive at a designated drop off time. We request that all paperwork be completed ahead of time, but will provide extra Surgical Admission Forms when necessary.
 - b. Pets will be loaded into our transport vehicle. All dogs will receive an identifying neck-band and all crates will be appropriately labeled. Any cat dropped off in a soft cat carrier will be placed into a hard carrier provided by Spay Illinois.
 - c. Spay Illinois staff will do a brief visual check to ensure attending pets appear healthy.
 - d. Clients will be required to provide proof of a current rabies vaccination for their pet, otherwise they will be required to receive a new rabies vaccine during their clinic visit.
 - e. Only one pet, per crate, will be accepted on our vehicle. (Certain exceptions may apply for puppies and kittens less than 16 weeks of age)
 - f. After pets have received spay/neuter surgery and have recovered at our clinic facility, they will be transported back to the designated location within the 30 minute window designated for drop off.
 - g. Your organization will receive an invoice for each pet in attendance that day.
 - h. Clients will receive post surgical care instructions and other informative sheets for after care, when appropriate.
 - i. All cats will have already received a long lasting pain injection, but dogs will be provided with pain medications to go home with their owners.
 - j. Spay Illinois transport staff will go over post surgical care instructions with each client, will answer any questions, and provide a list of local emergency clinics to contact in the event of an emergency.

If you are affiliated with a rescue, shelter, or animal welfare organization licensed by the Illinois Department of Agriculture, we invite you to apply to become an official Spay Illinois transport program partner by contacting Bobby Kaminsky via email at bkaminsky@spayillinois.org. We look forward to working together to end pet homelessness in Illinois.

Warmest regards and sincerest thanks for all you do for the animals,