

# CAPITAL AREA ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY

## SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAMS 2010

[www.caaaws.org](http://www.caaaws.org)

### **SPAY DAY**

Spay Days are offered on one Sunday a month at LSU (\$25/cat,) which includes the spay/neuter, ear tip if needed, Rabies vaccination (kittens must be 3-4 months old,) and 4 in 1 vaccination. Spay Day appointments must be scheduled through CAAWS or Cat Haven.

In addition to feral and stray cats, these programs are offered to low-income families as well as families who take in stray cats/kittens. Anyone unable to pay the \$25-\$35/cat for feral colonies can receive assistance from the CAAWS Feral TNR Program, although, donations of any amount are greatly appreciated. CAAWS offers loan traps (with sec. dep.) for trapping ferals. (information below)

The spay/neuter slots are available by appointment only--no walk-ins, and apply to cats only. The cats are brought to the LSU Small Animal Clinic between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. on Spay Day, and must be picked up between 3:00-5:00 (varies) p.m. that same day. You will be given check-in/check-out times for Spay Baton Rouge spay days. Pre and post op instructions are provided and should be followed carefully.

### **CAAWS LOW COST/FREE SPAY/NEUTER:**

Applicants must be approved for this program, which is offered to low income families. The cost is \$35.00 per cat, which includes the Rabies vaccination (must be 4 months of age.) We offer five free spay/neuters per month. For this program, appointments are scheduled at local participating veterinarians and vouchers are issued by CAAWS. Low income spots are also available at Spay Days. If interested, request a low income application.

### **FERAL TNR PROGRAM:**

This program is offered to residents who are having problems with multiplying feral/stray cats in neighborhoods, businesses, etc. It usually involves colonies of cats, many of which are abandoned unaltered pets, who continue to multiply. With proper TNR and caretaking, these colonies can be Trapped, Neutered/spayed and Released (TNR) to live out their lives, without continuing to reproduce. The TNR program has been proven to be the humane alternative of controlling cat reproduction, rather than continually killing these cats at animal control facilities, which has been proven to be ineffective. This program is offered free, however, donations are greatly appreciated to ensure funding for continued success. CAAWS loans traps for trapping feral cats.

### **CAAWS COUPON PROGRAM:**

This program is offered to anyone. The \$25.00 off spay/neuter coupon can be applied to the normal spay/neuter charges at any participating veterinarian. Coupons can be picked up during adoption days (Sat. 11:00-3:00) or you can send a stamped addressed envelope to CAAWS, P.O. Box 77765, Baton Rouge, La. 70879.

### **OTHER PROGRAMS NOT RELATED TO CAAWS:**

**Spay Baton Rouge** offers low cost cat spays For more information or to apply on-line, go to [www.spaybatonrouge.org](http://www.spaybatonrouge.org). If you need financial assistance with feral colonies, contact CAAWS.

**AVS (Associated Veterinary Services)** has a low cost spay/neuter clinic that is available to everyone. Please contact AVS directly for any information (225) 928-4417.

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**Note: We recommend kittens to be at least 8-10 weeks of age and at least 3 pounds for spay/neuter. We cannot spay nursing moms unless kittens are old enough to be eating cat food.**

### **TRAPS:**

Traps are available for trapping ferals (or strays,) with a refundable security deposit (\$50/trap.) Traps must be reserved (we have a limited number) and picked up, then returned after the cats are released. These traps are available ONLY for use with our TNR program. Trapping instructions are included. These traps are to be used ONLY in accordance with our TNR Program. It is a violation to use our traps to transport any animal to animal control, or to relocate cats without the knowledge, cooperation and guidance of CAAWS.

Please let me know if you are interested in any of these programs.

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CAAWS Feral TNR Program/Spay Day

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