



Athens Area Humane Society to Host Free Pet Vaccine and Microchip Clinic

Athens, Georgia (July 15, 2024): The Athens Area Humane Society will host a free pet vaccine clinic from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Saturday, June 20th, at 1030 Mitchell Bridge Road. The clinic aims to promote pet health, increase the likelihood of lost pets returning home safely, and reduce the relinquishment of family pets to area shelters. The clinic operates on a first-come, first-served basis and is limited to the first 200 pets from households in Clarke, Jackson, and Madison Counties. Pets aged six weeks or older are eligible for vaccines. All pets will be microchipped and administered a rabies vaccination, dogs will receive a parvo/distemper vaccination, and cats will receive a feline viral rhinotracheitis, calicivirus, and panleukopenia (FVRCP) vaccination. Frontline® flea and tick protection for dogs and cats will be provided, as well as vouchers for free spay/neuter procedures at AAHS's clinic. Pet food and supplies, such as leashes, collars, and toys are available while supplies last.

Participants must provide proof of residency and have a valid email address for electronic medical record delivery. Dogs must be securely leashed and cats should be placed in a suitable carrier. No appointment is necessary. Pets showing signs of illness or aggression may be turned away.

"Pets and people belong together," said Cheryl McCormick, CEO of the Athens Area Humane Society. "Sometimes desperate owners feel they have no choice but to surrender beloved pets to shelters when they can no longer afford to care for them. When support is readily available, such as no-cost vaccines, spay/neuter vouchers, and pet food, devoted pet parents use these resources as a way of keeping bonded pet families together. Strong bonds between people and pets make for stronger communities."

The clinic is made possible with generous support from the AES Foundation, Athens Area Community, Banfield Foundation, Boehringer Ingelheim Cares Foundation, and Fix Georgia Pets. About Athens Area Humane Society: AAHS is a no-kill, community-supported shelter provider that rescues and protects companion animals by providing for their wellbeing, uniting them with loving homes, and advocating for a compassionate society. Founded in 1899, AAHS is supported by public contributions, grants, and fees-for-service.

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