



## Margaret Albrecht Spay and Neutering Assistance Program of West Deer Township

### Purpose:

The Margaret Albrecht Spay and Neutering Assistance Program of West Deer Township was established to address a growing need within West Deer Township to provide a cost free spay and neutering program for our residents. It will also serve as a long term humane solution to controlling the feral cat population. The program is funded by a generous donation from Margret Albrecht to the West Deer Dog Shelter

### Qualifications for assistance:

Must be a resident of West Deer Township and animal must live within West Deer Township. Dogs must provide proof of current license. Animals up to 8 years of age are eligible.  
Insert income requirement schedule

### How to Apply:

Contact Bill Payne at West Deer Township Code Enforcement Office 724-265-2780 to prequalify. Mr. Payne will then contact the Spay and Neutering Clinic and arrange for payment. Applicant will schedule appointment with Spay and Neutering Clinic.

### Outline of program:

#### **Domesticated Dogs and Cats**

To provide cost free spaying and neutering for pet owners who need assistance. All transportation of animals will be the responsibility of the owner. The Margret Albrecht Spay and Neutering Assistance Program of West Deer Township will cover the cost of the spaying or neutering for animals living within West Deer Township that meets the income qualifications. All other costs will be the responsibility of the pet owner.

#### **Feral Cats or Stray Cats**

To control the feral cat population the program can establish a Trap-Neuter-Release approach. A feral cat colony can be slowly reduced and even eliminated if this approach is followed. First the feral cats is humanely trapped in a "Have a heart" open trap and taken to a clinic to be spayed or neutered. It is then released back into its colony (environment) to live without the threat of reproducing. Feral cats will be covered by this program. The cost of the spaying or neutering of feral cats will be covered by the Margret Albrecht Spay and Neutering Assistance Program of West Deer Township. All capturing, releasing and transportation of feral cats will be the responsibility of the resident or agent of the feral cats. All feral cats must be released back into their original colony.

### Duration of Program:

The program was started by a very generous donation and will continue to run until the funds have been depleted. Additional donations can be added to program to ensure an ongoing program. The program may be discontinued only by the direction of the West Deer Dog Shelter as administrator of the program.

### Spay and Neutering Clinic

11675 Frankstown Rd  
Penn Hills, Pennsylvania 15235  
412-244-1202

### Expenses that West Deer Spay and Neuter Fund will cover

- 1) Spay and Neuter for dogs and cats (including feral)
- 2) Buprenophine injection only (for pain)