# **Financial Aid Resources**

### **CROWD FINDING**

These are online fundraising platforms or crowdsourcing platforms that allow you to tap into your network of friends and family, and even sometimes strangers on the internet, to collect donations that can be used to help fund the medical needs. Some examples of these online organizations are:

www.gofundme.com

www.crowdrise.com

www.giveforward.com

www.youcaring.com

https://wagwalking.com/blog/pet-surgery-crowdfunding

### **PAYMENT PLAN SERVICES**

#### **Care Credit**

https://www.carecredit.com/

(800) 677-0718

CareCredit is a healthcare credit card designed for your health, and wellness needs. It's a way to pay for the costs of many treatments and procedures and allows you to make convenient monthly payments.

### How to Apply:

1. Find out immediately if you have been approved by using our easy, automated system anytime or applying with a live agent Monday through Friday from 9:00am - 9:00pm (EST).

# ScratchPay

Ask your Veterinarian if they are a ScratchPay Partner Phone: 855-727-2395 Fax: 213-402-6975

support@scratchpay.com

Scratch Pay offers simple and affordable payment plans for large veterinary bills. Scratch Pay can help get your pet the care they need.

### What You Need to Know:

ScratchPay pays the veterinary clinic immediately. Depending on the payment plan you have selected, you either pay ScratchPay in 30 days with no interest, or in monthly installments over a period of 12 or 24 months with interest based on the rate you qualify for.

# How it Works:

They perform a soft credit inquiry when you check your rate through Scratchpay.com. This step allows you to check what rates and terms may be available to you. That inquiry will not affect your credit score at all.

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### PERSONAL GRAND FUNDING ORGANIZATIONS

#### Paws 4 A Cure – MUST CONTACT ONLINE

Paws 4 A Cure is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides financial assistance throughout the United States to those who cannot afford veterinary care for their beloved furry family members. Paws 4 A Cure helps dogs and cats with all illnesses and injuries. Paws 4 A Cure does not discriminate against breed, age, or diagnosis.

What You Need to Know:

1. Assistance must be applied for at:

http://www.paws4acure.org/askforhelp.php

- 2. maximum assistance available from Paws 4 A Cure is \$500
- 3. Paws 4 A Cure cannot assist with:
  - a. charges incurred prior to approval of application and receipt by the veterinarian of the Acceptance Letter;
  - b. treatment in advance;
  - c. pay a deposit;
  - d. reimburse the applicant for any payments made to the veterinarian;
  - e. If the applicant has CareCredit, they MUST use it first. Paws 4 A Cure cannot reimburse for a CareCredit payment or any other payment made;
  - f. invoice showing no balance due;
  - g. Diagnostics (testing). A diagnosis is required before you apply for assistance;
- 4. Paws 4 A Cure does not provide financial assistance for vaccinations, spaying/neutering or euthanasia.

### The Onyx & Breezy Foundation – MUST APPLY ONLINE

(201) 782-9090 info@onyxandbreezy.org PO Box 857, Tuxedo Park, NY 10987

Consider funding medical treatment for animals where hardship is present, medication, pet food, spay and neuter, etc. How It Works:

- 1. All grant applications must be returned with the following
  - to be presented for consideration: a. Financials
  - b. Individuals
  - c. Tax Return (Copies only)
  - d. Diagnosis & Prognosis (if applicable)
  - e. Estimate of cost
  - f. Care Credit status
- Individuals must apply for care credit and submit evidence of either denial or approval with available balance

#### Help-a-Pet

(630)-986-9141 (630)986-9504 <u>www.help-a-pet.org/home.html</u>

# American Humane Society - Second Chance Fund

http://www.americanhumane.org