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WHO: Central California Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals/Fresno County Humane Society (CCSPCA)

WHAT: CCSPCA Offers 40 FREE Spay/Neuter Surgeries in Celebration of World Spay Day

WHEN: Tuesday, March 1, 2022

WHERE: CCSPCA, 103 S. Hughes Ave., Fresno, CA 93706

WHY: In celebration of World Spay Day, CCSPCA will be offering 40 free spay/neuter surgeries for cats and dogs on March 1, 2022. The annual and international campaign promotes the life-saving benefits of spaying/neutering pets, an issue that is increasingly important in the Central Valley.

To secure a spot, interested clients must call (559) 237-1150 on World Spay Day, February 22, 2022. Phone lines will open at 8 a.m. sharp. CCSPCA will accept calls until all 40 spots are filled. Due to the limited nature of this offer, only two pets per client is allowed.

Surgeries will take place on March 1, only. Drop off is between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. - no exceptions. Pets must be at least 4 months old and current on vaccines or over 6 months old without vaccines, and no older than 5 years of age. CCSPCA will be accepting a mix of breeds and genders. Dogs and cats must be current with their rabies vaccination and must present a valid certificate. CCSPCA will offer dog rabies vaccines for an additional \$10 and cat rabies vaccines for an additional \$15, if needed.

In 2021, CCSPCA saw more than 16,000 animals come through its doors. That's approximately 44 animals per day. Spaying and neutering pets is a proven way to reduce pet overpopulation and increases chances of living longer and healthier lives. There are also medical and behavioral advantages. According to the American Veterinarian Medical Association, spaying or neutering pets can dramatically reduce or eliminate certain cancers that develop in dogs and cats. Additionally, altered dogs and cats are less likely to bite or become aggressive, mark their territory, escape from home, or get hit by cars while searching for mates.

Created as Spay Day USA by the Doris Day Animal League in 1995, World Spay Day is now a program of The Humane Society of the United States, Humane Society International and Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association. This year, February 22 is designated as World Spay Day with spay/neuter events taking place nationwide throughout the month.

For more information about CCSPCA and its services, please visit ccspca.com.

"Be a Life Saver - Be a Hero - Save a Life" by adopting a shelter animal.

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