

Helpful Resources

If you need immediate assistance or additional support, the following resources may help you and your pet during difficult situations.

Local Animal Services (El Paso • Las Cruces • Van Horn)

El Paso Animal Services

☎ 311 – the non-emergency city service line that connects you to El Paso Animal Services for stray animal reports, lost and found pets, and general animal-related concerns (number workable only within City of El Paso limits)

Animal Services Center of the Mesilla Valley (Las Cruces, NM)

☎ (575) 382-0018

- > Stray intake, lost & found pets, adoption services, animal cruelty reporting, and community resources for Doña Ana County

Culberson County Sheriff's Office (Van Horn, TX)

☎ (432) 283-2060

Animal control services, stray reports, animal cruelty reporting, and local assistance in the Van Horn / Culberson County area

- > Van Horn and surrounding rural areas may have limited access to local veterinary and financial assistance programs. In many cases, residents may need to travel to nearby cities such as El Paso for services

Pet Emergency Hotlines

ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center

☎ (888) 426-4435

Pet Poison Helpline

☎ (855) 764-7661

Pet Care & Behavior Resources

ASPCA Pet Care Resources

Visit ASPCA website under 'Pet Care' section for guidance on behavior, training, health, and responsible ownership.

Best Friends Animal Society

Offers behavior tips, training guides, support for keeping pets in homes, or rehoming guidance

👉 Visit: www.bestfriends.org

Dumb Friends League Behavior Help Line

☎ (303) 751-5772

Advice on common pet behavior concerns

U.S Financial Assistance & Pet Support

RedRover

Emergency funding for urgent veterinary care and crisis situations

👉 Visit: www.redrover.org

The Pet Fund

Financial assistance for non-emergency veterinary care

👉 Visit: www.thepetfund.com

Feeding Pets of the Homeless

Pet food and veterinary support for individuals experiencing homelessness

👉 Visit: www.petsofthehomeless.org

In El Paso, TX

El Paso Animal Services Pet Support Program

Provides:

- > Lists of low-cost vets (Includes clinics like Mobile Pet Vet, Dr. C's, Paws 'N Hooves, and more)
- > Pet food pantry
- > Occasional free/low-cost wellness clinics
- > Community support counseling

👉 <https://elpasoanimalservices.org/resources/petsupport/>

HEART Southwest

👉 <https://heartsw.com>

- > Provides financial assistance for life-saving veterinary care
- > Helps families who cannot afford treatment but have pets with a good prognosis

Borderland Rescue Fund

👉 <https://epcf.org/borderlandrescuefund>

- > Helps fund veterinary care for rescued animals
- > Supports low-cost and no-cost spay/neuter initiatives

Rescue Runners

👉 www.rescuersrunners.org

- > Offers low-cost spay/neuter assistance programs
- > Helps reduce long-term pet care costs

In Las Cruces, NM

Dona Ana County Humane Society – Animal Relief Fund

📞 (575) 647-4808

👉 <https://dachslc.org/animal-relief-fund/>

Provides financial assistance for veterinary care for qualifying low-income pet owners

- > Offers vouchers (up to ~\$250) to help cover medical costs
- > Designed to prevent surrender due to financial hardship
- > Application and income qualification required

Action Program for Animals – Pet Food Bank

☎ (575) 644-0505

👉 <http://www.apalascruces.org>

- > Provides free pet food and supplies for low-income residents
- > Available multiple times per month
- > Helps reduce financial strain on pet owners
- > Pet food bank 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month

SNAP New Mexico (Spay & Neuter Program)

☎ (575) 524-9265

👉 <https://lascruces.gov/free-spay-neuter-rabies-vaccinations-and-microchipping-available/>

- > Offers low-cost spay/neuter services for qualifying households
- > Helps prevent unwanted litters and long-term costs

City of Las Cruces Food 4 Paws

☎ (575) 528-3013

👉 <https://lascruces.gov/community/activities-and-programs/activities-for-seniors/food-4-paws/>

Provides:

- > Free pet food
- > Assistance with veterinary care (when funding is available)
- > Support for seniors and vulnerable residents

Animal Companions of Las Cruces

👉 <https://animalcompanionsoflascruces.org>

- > 24/7 virtual vet triage (low-cost guidance)
- > Helps determine if a situation is an emergency
- > Provides at-home care guidance when possible

Emotional Support

Emotional support for individuals facing difficult pet-related decisions or loss

Pet Loss Support Hotline (Tufts University)

☎ (508) 839-7966

ASPCA Pet Loss Hotline

☎ (877) 474-3310

Safe Pet Rehoming Resources (No Shelter Needed)

Rehome by Adopt-a-Pet

👉 <https://rehome.adoptapet.com>

- > One of the safest and most recommended options
- > Helps owners create a profile, screen adopters, and safely transfer ownership
- > Designed specifically to avoid surrendering pets to shelters

Home To Home

👉 <https://home-home.org/>

- > Connects you directly with adopters in your area
- > Focuses on keeping pets out of shelters

PetRehomer

👉 <https://petrehomeer.org>

- > Online service connecting pet owners with adopters
- > Works to match pets with suitable homes

Petfinder

👉 <https://www.petfinder.com>

- > Lists hundreds of thousands of adoptable pets from shelters/rescues
- > You can connect with rescues who may help rehome your pet

Adopt-a-Pet.com

👉 <https://www.adoptapet.com>

- > Large adoption network across the U.S.

Many veterinary clinics and assistance programs in El Paso also serve surrounding areas, including Las Cruces, NM and nearby West Texas communities. We encourage reaching out to local clinics and animal services in your area for additional support.

There is a community that cares. If you're struggling, people are ready to help you and your pet—don't be afraid to reach out for support.

- > Call 911 for emergencies involving immediate danger or animal cruelty is in action. Do not put yourself at risk.

