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C.A.R.E.S. CAT SHELTER RECEIVES \$20,000 GRANT FROM PETSMART CHARITIES[®] OF CANADA TO FUEL SPAY AND NEUTER EFFORTS IN THE FRASER VALLEY AREA

C.A.R.E.S. will mitigate the costs of spay and neuter procedures for low-income cat owners thereby helping to reduce pet overpopulation in the province of B.C.

LANGLEY, B.C.—Feb 13, 2019. – C.A.R.E.S. Cat Shelter has recently received a \$20,000 grant from [PetSmart Charities of Canada](http://PetSmartCharitiesofCanada.com), one of the nation’s leading funders of animal welfare. The grant has been earmarked to support subsidized spay/neuter efforts in the Fraser Valley area of B.C.. C.A.R.E.S. will provide free spay/neuter vouchers to low-income families with cats and who may need assistance fixing their furry feline companions.

Humane Canada and the BC SPCA have studied the province’s cat overpopulation program and concur that one of the best ways to control and reduce the number of cats entering shelters is to spay or neuter companion pets. But sometimes pet parents living on a fixed or lower income level may need a little assistance accessing the veterinary care they need to provide this procedure to their pet. Please visit www.carescatshelter.com/spay-neuter-program for more information about this program or to apply for a fully subsidized spay/neuter procedure for your cat(s).

“At PetSmart Charities of Canada, we’ve long been committed to reducing the number of homeless pets by supporting proactive spay and neuter programs across the nation,” says Dani LaGiglia, regional relationship manager at the national animal welfare charity. “We’re pleased to help C.A.R.E.S. Cat Shelter in their efforts to ensure pet parents in the Fraser Valley have access to affordable spay/neuter services.”

PetSmart Charities of Canada aims to proactively prevent pet homelessness. Since 1999, the organization has granted more than \$7 million to support spay and neuter efforts across Canada.

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About C.A.R.E.S. Cat Shelter

Canadian Animal Rescue and Extended Shelter (C.A.R.E.S) was formed in 1993 when a group of animal lovers wanted a shelter for animal that were homeless. We provide shelter for stray, abandoned and unwanted cats in a safe, loving, cage-free environment. There is a no kill policy at C.A.R.E.S., therefore any animals that are not adopted will be able to live the rest of their natural lives at the shelter. For inquiries, please email us at info@carescatshelter.com

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