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Spay or Neuter Your Cat for Only \$20 For the first 100 cats through February 2012

Do you have an unaltered cat? Are you a resident of Santa Barbara County? Are you interested in getting your cat spayed or neutered in January or February 2012?

Santa Barbara County Animal Services, in a collaborative partnership with the Santa Maria Valley Humane Society, is offering the \$20 per cat spay/neuter surgeries through our CatNips 2012 program. CatNips 2012 is available to Santa Barbara County residents only.

Cat owners are encouraged to call Santa Barbara County Animal Services' Project PetSafe team, Santa Maria Animal Center, at 805.934.6968 or the Santa Maria Valley Humane Society at 805.349.3435 to schedule an appointment to spay/neuter their cats for only \$20 between now and the end of February 2012 for the first 100 cats signed up.

Santa Barbara County Animal Services and the Santa Maria Valley Humane Society are part of the Responsible Pet Ownership Alliance, where Santa Barbara County animal welfare agencies, shelters, and non-profit organizations work collaboratively to ensure affordable spay/neuter services are available county-wide.

CatNips 2012 will increase the number of cats that are spayed and neutered in the county and in turn help eliminate hundreds of unwanted kittens coming into our shelters each year. The problem is preventable and the solution is affordable. This special program is targeted to help caring families and individuals who are trying their best to be responsible pet owners by spaying and neutering their companion animals.

Be part of the solution. Spread the word to family and friends about CatNips 2012. Make an appointment today to get your cats spayed and neutered in January and February. For more information, contact the Project PetSafe Team, at 805.934.6968.

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