

ASPCA Spay/Neuter Alliance has operated a high-quality, high-volume stationary spay-neuter clinic since 1994. We did not create the idea of a stationary clinic, nor are we the only ones to operate one. However, we developed the National Spay/Neuter Response Team (NSNRT) as a mentoring program so that others could benefit from *our* experience. We achieve our high-volume model in two ways:

1. From public animals, brought to us by their owners;
 2. Through our extensive network of partners in the shelter/rescue community, who send us additional surgical patients via our transport program.
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For your organization to be considered for the NSNRT program, certain basic conditions or circumstances should exist, as detailed below:

SUFFICIENT NEED IN YOUR AREA

If there are existing spay/neuter programs (NSNRT or other models of stationary clinics, mobile vehicles, MASH) within 2 hours of your proposed location, we ask that you have strategic discussions with them to determine if there is truly a need for additional spay/neuter facilities.

ABILITY TO PERFORM A SUSTAINABLE NUMBER OF SURGERIES

Any organization applying to be a member of the NSNRT must show the ability to be financially stable and sustainable. We have a budget spreadsheet and resources to help you determine your sustainability level. Financial sustainability will look a bit different for every organization, depending on your overhead structure, with ownership of a building vs. leasing/renting being the most common variable.

For organizations with high overhead, their clinic will need to do 8,000-8,400 surgeries per year with one vet to be sustainable (35/day x 5/days x 48 weeks). To accomplish 8,400 surgeries, the clinic must be located in an area with a human population of at least 250,000 people in a 60-mile radius. For organizations with a lower overhead, the sustainable number of surgeries may be in the range of 5,000-6,000 per year with one vet. The required human population to support this surgical numbers would be correspondingly lower.

501(c)(3) STATUS OF MUNICIPAL ANIMAL CONTROL

Your organization has (or can obtain) 501(c)(3) status, or is a municipal agency. You must be able to raise the funds, or obtain grants, to lease/purchase and remodel a building, purchase equipment, send your new clinic team to Asheville for training, *and* have at least \$35,000 in cash reserves on your opening day.

UNDERSTANDING YOUR STATE'S REGULATIONS

Your organization is responsible for understanding your state regulations regarding your state's veterinary practice act and state pharmacy laws, as well as keeping up with any changes. Each state is different and you should periodically check to ensure you are in compliance. ASPCA Spay/Neuter Alliance does not provide legal advice or advice on complying with these laws. You should consult an attorney for legal advice on compliance of laws.

AGREEING TO OUR TERMS & STANDARDS OF CARE

A signed version of both our *Standards of Care* and *Memorandum of Understanding* will be required at the initial application stage.