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### **National Nonprofit Petco Love Invests in First Coast No More Homeless Pets to Help Increase Access to Veterinary Care for Pets in Northeast Florida**

**Jacksonville, FL (March 18, 2025)** – First Coast No More Homeless Pets received a \$25,000 grant investment from national nonprofit Petco Love in support of their lifesaving work for pets in Northeast Florida.

Petco Love is a national nonprofit leading change for pets by harnessing the power of love to make communities and pet families closer, stronger, and healthier. Since its founding in 1999, Petco Love has invested nearly \$410 million in adoption and other lifesaving efforts. And Petco Love helps find loving homes for pets in partnership with Petco and more than 4,000 organizations — like ours — across North America, with nearly 7 million pets adopted and counting.

The investment in First Coast No More Homeless Pets is part of \$1.5M in grants recently announced by Petco Love for more than 170 spay/neuter clinics and other low-cost veterinary care providers to help increase access to veterinary care for pets in their communities. The lifesaving investments are also being granted to reduce economic euthanasia, and the surrender of pets to shelters when families are not able to afford needed veterinary treatment.

“Petco Love knows pets are family and we strive to take care of them the best we can, though the reality is not everyone has equal access to veterinary care as many pet parents face difficult financial times,” said Susanne Kogut, President of Petco Love. “That’s why we are proud to support our partner animal welfare organizations in providing helpful services in their communities, so we can keep pets and their families together.”

“It is only with the investment and support of the community and national nonprofit Petco Love that First Coast No More Homeless Pets is able to provide essential spay and neuter surgeries for thousands of community cats in the region,” stated Jennifer Barker, FCNMHP’s Chief Executive Officer. “This investment by Petco Love is estimated to directly support surgeries for over 540 cats which will help provide for the health, welfare, and control of the population of community cats as well as prevent shelters from being overwhelmed during kitten season. We are grateful for the support of Petco Love as together; we work for greater access to veterinary care in communities and to keep pets out of shelters.” As part of Petco Love’s mission to make pet families healthier and increase access to veterinary care, through its *Vaccinated and Loved* campaign, Petco Love reached its goal of distributing [three million free pet vaccines](#) for family pets in November 2024. The organization is determined to reach even more pets in need by providing an additional one million free vaccines! The campaign was launched in August

2021, encouraging Petco Love animal welfare partners to host free vaccine clinics.

For more information about First Coast No More Homeless Pets, visit [fcnmhp.org/](https://fcnmhp.org/). Learn more about Petco Love here: [petcolove.org](https://petcolove.org).

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### **About First Coast No More Homeless Pets**

The mission of First Coast No More Homeless Pets (FCNMHP) is to make veterinary care affordable and accessible to all as we save lives by keeping dogs and cats in homes and out of shelters, provide low-cost spay/neuter services with emphasis on feral/community cats, and deliver a broad range of related programs and services.

In 2024, FCNMHP delivered \$521,058 in charitable care to help ensure that no animal would be relinquished or euthanized due to an owner's inability to afford care. It provided services to 68,145 clients, performed 21,212 spay/neuter surgeries (11,597 – 55% of which were on community cats), distributed over 122,000 pounds of free pet food, and served 17 rescue organizations throughout 15 counties in NE Florida and SE Georgia that were working to prepare animals for adoption. To learn more visit [www.fcnmhp.org](https://www.fcnmhp.org).

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### **About Petco Love**

Petco Love is a life-changing nonprofit organization that makes communities and pet families closer, stronger, and healthier. Since our founding in 1999, we've empowered animal welfare organizations by investing nearly \$410 million in adoption and other lifesaving efforts. We've helped find loving homes for nearly 7 million pets in partnership with Petco and organizations nationwide. Our love for pets drives us to lead with innovation, creating tools animal lovers need to reunite lost pets, and lead with passion, inspiring and mobilizing communities and our more than 4,000 animal welfare partners to drive lifesaving change alongside us. Is love calling you? Join us. Visit [PetcoLove.org](https://PetcoLove.org) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [X](#), [Threads](#), and [LinkedIn](#) to be part of the lifesaving work we lead every day.