

# City of Santa Barbara



Santa Barbara Police Department's Animal Control organized their very first collaboration with the non-profit organization, C.A.R.E.4Paws, aimed at funding free spaying and neutering for City pets. SBPD Animal Control secured \$4,000 through donations and educational grants to help pay for the spaying and neutering for forty City dogs and cats, and helped promote the event through social media, local newspapers and radio stations.

We are pleased to share that the promotion was so successful that SIXTY dogs and cats were spayed and neutered, vaccinated, and microchipped... all at no cost to their owners. Also during the event, some of the adoptable dogs and puppies that were produced from unplanned pet pregnancies were all altered AND adopted out!

Not only did this promotion help City residents keep their pets happy and healthy, but it potentially prevented many unwanted pet pregnancies and helped save hundreds of puppies and kittens from entering the shelter setting in the first place. Special thanks to all the vets, employees, and volunteers who helped and to the Santa Barbara Humane Society and Animal Medical Clinic for hosting these surgeries. Great job SBPD Animal Control & C.A.R.E.4Paws for making a huge difference in our community!

