



# Pets and Vets as Partners and PetMedSpa and Rehab. Center

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## Annual Pet Cares Cost

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals released in March its estimate of how much it costs to care for pets at a basic but acceptable level. A large dog's first year of care, including vaccinations and spay or neuter surgery, will cost about \$1,843, compared to \$270 for a small bird. A small dog will cost \$1,314, a medium dog \$1,580 and a cat will cost \$1,035. You can visit the ASPCA web site for other species [www.asPCA.org](http://www.asPCA.org), in the section "Adopt".



Annual Costs	Cat	Small Dog	Medium Dog	Large Dog
Food	115.00	55.00	120.00	235.00
Recurring Medical	160.00	210.00	235.00	260.00
Litter	165.00			
Toys/Treats	25.00	40.00	55.00	75.00
License		15.00	15.00	15.00
Health Insurance	175.00	225.00	225.00	225.00
Miscellaneous	30.00	35.00	45.00	65.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>670.00</b>	<b>580.00</b>	<b>695.00</b>	<b>875.00</b>
Capital Costs				
Spay/Neuter	145.00	190.00	200.00	220.00
Other Initial Medical	130.00	70.00	70.00	70.00
Collar/Leash	10.00	25.00	30.00	35.00
Litter Box/Scratching Post	40.00			
Cage/ Carrier Bag/ Crate		75.00	155.00	125.00
Training Class		110.00	110.00	110.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>365.00</b>	<b>470.00</b>	<b>565.00</b>	<b>560.00</b>
Long Hair Grooming		264.00	320.00	408.00
<b>First Year Total</b>	<b>1,035.00</b>	<b>1,314.00</b>	<b>1,580</b>	<b>1,843.00</b>

## New prices for flea products

Our prices for flea products are competitive to the ones found on the internet! We have warranty for these products. Internet companies do not!!!



**Open House**  
**Saturday May 31th**



**Rain Date**  
**Saturday June 7**



**Woof Studio coming at Pets and Vets on Saturday, May 24**  
**Open House: Saturday, May 31 from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.**



**Laser Therapy Solutions:**

**Pain Relief**

**Arthritic Conditions**

**Intervertebral Disc Disease**

**Skin Injury/Wound Healing**

**Post Surgical Pain Relief and Soft Tissue Trauma**

**Degenerative Joint Disease**

**Lick Granuloma**

**Periodontal Disease**

**Sprains and Strains**

**Muscle, Ligament and Tendon Injuries**

**\*very affordable treatment**

Cats and dogs microchipped and enrolled with *Home Again* have complimentary access to *PetFirst Healthcare's EmergencyFirst* lost-pet medical insurance policy. It covers up to \$3,000 (less a \$50 deductible) for medical bills related to injuries the pet suffers while lost.



Bullet, our other food tester, dog teaser, cat greeter, helper for writing checks, and people bumper... when he is not sleeping! He was found by Dr. Loud. Bullett was walking on 3 legs, the 4th one was shattered in pieces by multiple bullets.

**Pet Insurances**

Nowadays, veterinary medicine offers the same standard of care as human medicine. From preventative care like vaccinations to more complex treatment such as chemotherapy, cataract surgery, rehabilitation, your pet can receive all the medical care needed. The problem arises with the cost in some cases. Pet Insurance is available to help with the unexpected, undesirable, and expensive incidents. Pet insurance can save your pet from euthanasia because of the cost of treatment. Pet insurance also covers preventive care such as vaccinations, spay and neuter and dental care. Many pet insurances are on the American market.



Here is a list of Pet Insurance ratings on a scale of 10.

PetPlan US	9.83	Pet Assure	7.5
Embrace	9.30	PetCare US	5.22
Pet First	9.05	ASPCA	4.92
Pets Best	7.73	VPI	4.89
		AKC	3.9

For more information, visit their web sites or ask us for brochures.

**Fundraising AHAS**

The Almost Home Animal Shelter has come with a creative way to raise money for the needs at the shelter. The group will be selling "one-of-a-kind" pet banks. The ceramic-shaped dog and cat banks from Uniquely Yours, a local ceramic shop, were painted by students from the West Lafayette High School service club, Wesso, and by the Jefferson High School STRIVE service club. Banks are for sale for \$20 each. The idea is for the person who buys the bank, to fill it with pocket change for every time you go for a walk with your dog, and for when he does a trick. When the bank is full, you donate the money to the shelter. The project will start on June 13. For more information, call (765)532-8565. Pets and Vets as Partners will sell banks at its facility.



Re: Helen Magazine, April-May 2008

**Trap Neuter & Release Program**

Tri County Trap Neuter Release is a new local non-profit organization dedicated to providing TNR (Trap, Neuter, and Return) for feral and stray cats of Tippecanoe, White, and Carroll Counties in Indiana. Tri County TNR has been co-founded by Nancy Allen, Robyn Poole, and Patty Brock. Their web site is still under construction at [www.tricountytnr.org](http://www.tricountytnr.org). It is estimated that 80% of all new kittens born are the offspring of feral or stray cats. It is their goal to greatly reduce these numbers humanely and effectively. Tri County TNR is looking for volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Pets and Vets at 463-7877.



Since November of 2007, Dr. Lucie Levy of Pets and Vets as Partners has been helping Tri County TNR once a month by surgically altering, providing a 3-year rabies and FVRCP vaccine, and left ear tipping of each cat for future identification purposes. Dr. Levy has also set up a Community Service Program at her clinic. Clients are asked to donate \$0.25 per transaction to help finance this program. Other local veterinarians are following and helping in this program. It is hoped that the TNR program will become a great community project.

**Allergies**

Hyposensitization or immunotherapy, is the process by which increasing concentrations



of allergens to which a patient is sensitive are injected subcutaneously over a period of time. This allows the immune system to develop defense mechanisms against the offending allergens. On average it takes 4-6 months for the immune system response to reach its peak (at which point the patient is protected). Thereafter maintenance therapy is undertaken to maintain the immune system response (IgG) at peak concentration. If your pet has bad allergies, ask us about immunotherapy.