

MEDIA CONTACT: Amy Ferguson 206.486.4PET (4738) info@pawsitivealliance.org

## Maria Norbury Foundation<sup>®</sup> Awards Spay/Neuter Grant to Pawsitive Alliance<sup>®</sup> For Innovative Transport Clinics

## Highway 2 transport clinics provide affordable spay/neuter for the cats and dogs of low income pet owners

Kenmore, WA June 29, 2016 – Pawsitive Alliance is excited to announce the organization has received a grant from the Maria Norbury Foundation to continue our successful Highway 2 Transport Clinics. These clinics are providing spay and neuter services for the pets of low income families and helping to reduce the number of homeless animals in Snohomish County. The grant provides funds to spay/neuter 132 cats and dogs for residents of Snohomish, Monroe, Gold Bar, Sultan, Startup and Index. Since 2013 over 600 cats and dogs of homeless and lower income residents have been spayed or neutered as part of this Highway 2 Transport Clinic project in partnership with Pasado's Safe Haven in Sultan and the Feral Cat Spay Neuter Project in Lynnwood.

"This grant means that we can continue this very successful lifesaving project partnering with Pasado's Safe Haven and the Feral Cat Spay Neuter Project," said Yolanda Morris, Co-Founder and Board President. "If someone can't afford to fix their pet, chances are they don't have the transportation resources or time during the work day to take their pet to a clinic either. These transport clinics are scheduled with early morning drop offs at various locations in order to reach and accommodate people with pets and provide high quality spay/neuter services for free or a small co-pay."

Every day, more than 9,000 pets are killed in U.S. shelters because they don't have homes. Pawsitive Alliance's SNIP SNIP (Spay Neuter Increase Program) provides free and low cost spay/neuter for lower income pet owners and caretakers. The goal of SNIP SNIP is to make spay/neuter services more affordable and convenient to pet owners who might not otherwise be able to spay or neuter their pets. Pawsitive Alliance supports innovative spay/neuter projects to reach people and their pets across Washington State. For more information go to www.pawsitivealliance.org

Reservations are now being accepted for the Highway 2 Transport Clinic:

- Cat clinic days are scheduled for 7/19, 8/16 and 9/6. Appointments for cats can be made by calling Feral Cat Spay Neuter Project at 425.673.CATS.
- Dog clinic days are scheduled for 7/23, 8/13, 9/10 and 9/24. Appointments for dogs can be made by calling Pasado's Safe Haven at 360.926.4001.



Co-Founder and Board President Yolanda Morris with dogs in line for spay and neuter services at the August 2015 transport clinic. Photo credits: Pawsitive Alliance

## **About Pawsitive Alliance**

Pawsitive Alliance is a volunteer driven organization working to end the euthanasia of cats and dogs in Washington State by increasing adoptions, sponsoring spay and neuter projects and providing education and resources to improve pet retention. Through our Adoption Program, Pawsitive Alliance sponsors multi-shelter adoption events focusing on providing shelter animals additional opportunities to be adopted through increased exposure. Since 2005, over 5,470 cats and dogs have been adopted at Pawsitive Alliance hosted adoption events. Our "Why Not Me?" pets campaign brings attention to pets who have been homeless for 90 days or longer using professional photographers to capture their unique personalities and a targeted media campaign to find them homes. Pawsitive Alliance also provides public spay/neuter assistance through our SNIP SNIP (Spay Neuter Increase Program) targeting the companion animals with the highest overpopulation rates as well as focusing our spay/neuter resources in geographical areas of the state which have historically high euthanasia rates.

## www.pawsitivealliance.org

Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pawsitivealliance/

###