

SJACS & Save-a-Kitten

The City of San Jose Animal Care and Services (SJACS) and Save-a-Kitten (SAK) are partnering together to ensure foster homes have the support they need to care for kittens.



SPONSORSHIP FROM SJACS ENDS SEPTEMBER 30th 2016!



Kittens are brought to SJACS. They may or may not be with a mother cat.



SJACS notifies Save-a-Kitten that kittens need help and by when they need help



Save-a-Kitten posts the kittens on their Facebook Page.



SJACS staff cares for kittens during the day when they are able until a rescue or temporary or permanent foster home can be found



Foster homes, rescues and volunteers arrive at the shelter to pick up kittens to either transport them to their foster home or foster the kittens themselves



SJACS provides supplies to foster homes who are not operating under a rescue group



SJACS schedules spay/neuter appointments, free of charge to the foster home and sponsors non-emergency medical care to kittens while in the care of foster homes not operating under a rescue group, shelter or humane society.



Save-a-Kitten continues to look for a rescue group and/or home for the kittens so that they can be adopted after spay or neuter.

Rules of Participation: SPONSOSHIP ENDS SEPTEMBER 30th 2016

Only unaltered kittens under 3 months of age in foster homes not operating under a rescue, shelter or humane society are eligible. Foster homes must present kennel card whenever requesting any services or supplies. Foster homes may receive supplies, VCA sponsored appointments and vaccines and spay/neuter at SAK Sunday clinics (healthy kittens only in Sunday clinics). Sick kittens may not receive care at SAK Sunday clinics and foster homes must seek care elsewhere, including at VCA Blossom Hill, VCA Crocker or VCA Orchard Plaza (sponsored by SJACS), or at their own private veterinarian at their own expense. Kittens are eligible for SJACS low cost clinic services after 3 months of age at no charge until they reach 6 months of age. The foster home must go online to schedule an appointment (www.sanjoseanimals.com). Critically sick, injured or dying kittens are not eligible for sponsored veterinary care. These kittens should be either humanly euthanized or provided immediate veterinary care at the expense of the foster home.

<u>SPAY/NEUTER and ADOPTION</u> – Go online to <u>www.sanjoseanimals.com</u> to request a spay/neuter appointment (Tuesdays through Fridays). Identify kittens as "SAK" in additional comments section. Healthy, vaccinated kittens that weigh at least 1.3 pounds and weaned can be returned to the SJACS for adoption.

GENERAL QUESTIONS

Email <u>SAKsanjose@gmail.com</u> with any non-emergency questions. This is staffed by volunteers and checked once a week so please be patient. The rest of this guide should answer most of your questions

<u>SUPPLIES</u> - Come to shelter with A# and a list of supplies you need, Tuesday through Saturday from 11-7 and Sunday from 11-5. We can usually provide canned and dry food, formula, bottles, nipples, bedding, litter and box, toys, laundry, newspaper, cardboard carriers while supplies last. **THIS ENDS SEPTEMBER 30th, 2016!**

<u>CHECK-UP</u> – Contact the following clinics below to schedule a wellness exam and vaccinations for your kittens: <u>Bring ALL medical records to appointments</u>. <u>THIS SPONSORSHIP ENDS SEPTEMBER</u> 30th 2016!

Other clinics can see kittens, too for vaccinations only. They are:

VCA Orchard Plaza

5841 Cottle Road, San Jose, CA 95123

(408) 227-9110

 $Monday-Friday \qquad 7AM-8PM$

Saturday 7:30AM – 5PM Sunday CLOSED

PAWS Sponsored Clinic at Canine Coral 2045 Woodard Rd, San Jose, CA 95124

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WALK-IN ONLY

First Saturday of the month, 2-4PM

PAWS Sponsored Clinic at Andy's Pet Shop

51 Notre Dame Ave, San Jose, CA 95113

WALK-IN ONLY

Third Saturday of the month, 2-4PM

DR. APPOINTMENT FOR SICK KITTEN (NON-EMERGENCY, MUST HAVE A#s) – ENDS SEPTEMBER 30TH 2016!

Any time you are concerned about the health of your kitten, or any time kittens show any signs or symptoms of disease, including the following: runny eyes or nose, diarrhea, vomiting, constipation - now bowel movement in 40 hours, dehydration – urine is darker in color and not urinating as much, not gaining weight, losing weight, decreased appetite, blood in stool, other conditions that do not appear to be imminently life-threatening. Please call a veterinarian RIGHT AWAY, AS SOON AS YOU SEE ANY SIGNS OF ANYTHING NOT NORMAL – DO NOT WAIT!!! These issues can become critical quickly.

You MUST have an A# for the kitten when making the appointment and when going to the appointment in order for the appointment to be paid by the SJACS. **No Exceptions**! The clinics listed below will see your sick kittens free of charge. **Bring ALL medical records to appointments**.

VCA Blossom Hill

955 Blossom Hill Rd

(408) 227-3717

 $Monday-Friday,\,7AM-7PM$

Saturday, 8AM – 4PM

Sunday, CLOSED

VCA Crocker

475 N Jackson Ave

(408) 272-1330

Monday – Friday, 7AM–8PM

Saturday & Sunday, 9AM-5PM

VCA Orchard Plaza

5841 Cottle Road

(408) 227-9110

Monday - Friday, 7AM - 8PM

Saturday, 7:30AM – 5PM

Sunday, CLOSED

<u>VIDEOS – these are the BEST out there and answer ALL your questions</u> <u>http://www.maddiesfund.org/orphaned-kitten-care-how-to.htm</u> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ctfhMJUdxZA

EMERGENCY/SPECIALTY CARE – NOT SPONSORED

There are some things you can do to avoid emergency, critical conditions which include practicing proper husbandry, meaning, kittens are well nourished, warm, living in clean and dry environments, not exposed to other kittens and mothers that are not their litter mates. Please seek veterinary advice prior to combining litters of kittens.

Kittens that are in critical condition often do not survive. This can happen despite the very best care and efforts on the part of the foster home. There may come a time where one or several of your kittens are in need of emergency care. This can be a frightening experience and it is important for you to remain calm. Your kitten is in distress and REQUIRES emergency care if any of the following is true:

- Lethargic (not very responsive and seems "passed out", not just sleeping)
- Not eaten any food in 8 hours AND is under 3 weeks old (under 0.75 pounds)
- Actively bleeding or injured and can see bone or internal organs, or bone appears broken
- Open mouth panting, difficulty breathing

If you would like to have kittens treated in their critical state, you may do so <u>at your expense</u> at a veterinarian of your choosing. SJACS recommends that kittens in critical condition who will not receive treatment, are euthanized as soon as possible. Take critical kittens to the shelter for euthanasia between 7 a.m. and 9 p.m. every day. SVVS will also take in critically sick or injured kittens for euthanasia at no expense to the foster home.

CLINICS

Silicon Valley Veterinary Specialist: CONTRACTED WITH SJACS 7160 Santa Teresa Blvd., San Jose

408-649-7070

OPEN: 24/7

United Emergency Animal Clinic (EAC) – AT FOSTER HOME EXPENSE 905 Dell Ave., Campbell

408-371-6252

OPEN: 24/7

United Emergency Animal Clinic (EAC) – AT FOSTER HOME EXPENSE 5440 Thornwood Dr., San Jose

408-578-5622

OPEN: 6PM - 8AM Weeknights

24 hours on Weekends and Holidays

SAGE – AT FOSTER HOME EXPENSE 907 Dell Ave., Campbell (next door to EAC)

408-343-7243

OPEN: 24/7