Grant and donation to support spaying and neutering of dogs

Dog owners in the unincorporated communities of San Bernardino County and the City of Big Bear Lake can now take advantage of a limited program made possible with $7,500 grant from the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) and a matching donation form the Animals aRe First Fund (ARFF) that will provide 300 additional $50 vouchers for the spaying and neutering of dogs. The additional vouchers can be combined with the $50 vouchers from the ongoing voucher program for a total of $100.

“This is a limited program in which dog owners can receive an additional $50 to have their dogs sterilized,” stated Brian Cronin, Chief of Animal Care. “We are very grateful to CDFA and ARFF for helping to assist animal owners to spay and neuter their dogs,” he continued.

Spaying or neutering is mandatory for pit bull-type dogs in the unincorporated areas of San Bernardino County. In addition to dogs, residents with cats in the unincorporated communities of San Bernardino County and City of Big Bear Lake can request a voucher worth $25 toward spaying and neutering.

To request a voucher, residents can call the Pet Over Population Coalition (POPCO) at (888) 767-2550 or by emailing info@popco-inc.org. For more information about spaying and neutering, dog licensing, and how to find participating veterinarians, visit animalcare.sbcounty.gov/pets/#spay.

Animal Care is doing its part to help the community achieve the Countywide Vision by ensuring residents have the resources they need to provide the necessities of life to their families. Information on the Countywide Vision can be found at www.sbcounty.gov