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Have a Happier, Healthier Pet in 2014! Schedule Your Male Dog or Cat for a \$20 Neuter During the Humane Society of Charlotte's "Happy Neuter Year" Campaign in January 2014

Sponsored by PetSmart Charities®,
"Happy Neuter Year" provides \$20 neuter surgeries for male dogs and cats

CHARLOTTE, NC (December 30, 2013) – The Humane Society of Charlotte wants you to ring in the New Year by making a resolution to neuter your male dog or cat during their "Happy Neuter Year" campaign.

Sponsored by [PetSmart Charities](http://PetSmartCharities.com), the largest funder of animal welfare efforts in North America, the "Happy Neuter Year," campaign will provide \$20 neuter surgeries for male dogs and cats during the month of January.

Spaying and neutering is one of the most effective ways to reduce the homeless pet population and is safe for puppies and kittens as young as eight to 10 weeks old, according to the American Veterinary Medical Association.

"Neutering male pets is a simple surgery that reduces unwanted behaviors, like roaming, fighting, and urine marking territories," says Shelly Moore, President/CEO, Humane Society of Charlotte. "It also guarantees your dog or cat never fathers a litter of puppies or kittens."

This special \$20 rate is even less than the organization's normal low-cost price and is available to all residents of Mecklenburg County. *Pet parents who wish to take advantage of this offer must mention the "Happy Neuter Year" campaign when they schedule their appointment.* This campaign is based on availability. Please visit <http://humanesocietyofcharlotte.org/clinic-services/happy-neuter-year/> or call 704.333.4130 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

PetSmart Charities' "Happy Neuter Year" campaign provides more than \$561,000 to spay/neuter clinics to fund affordable, high-quality spay and neuter surgeries for 13,631 male dogs and cats across the nation during the month of January.

About the Humane Society of Charlotte

The mission of the Humane Society of Charlotte is to be a community resource committed to improving the lives of companion animals through adoption, spay/neuter and education. Our vision is to place all animals in safe and loving homes. The Humane Society of Charlotte provides low-cost spay and neuter surgeries for cats and dogs to reduce pet overpopulation throughout the Carolinas. The Humane Society of Charlotte is a non-profit organization that relies solely on private donations to achieve its mission.

About PetSmart Charities:

PetSmart Charities, Inc. is a nonprofit animal welfare organization that saves the lives of homeless pets. More than 400,000 dogs and cats find homes each year through our adoption program in all PetSmart® stores and our sponsored adoption events. PetSmart Charities grants more money to directly help pets in need than any other animal welfare group in North America, with a focus on funding spay/neuter services that help communities solve pet overpopulation. PetSmart Charities is a 501(c)(3) organization, separate from PetSmart, Inc.

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