



## The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County Chompers Pet Food Bank Program Requirements

### **Purpose:**

The goal of the Chompers Pet Food Bank Program is to help families affected by the current economic climate by keeping their pets fed so the pets can remain with the families who love them. By providing a place where owners can get the pet food they need, the owners won't have to consider surrendering their companion animal due to lack of food.

The pet food bank will serve families in need on a first-come, first-served basis. Pet owners wishing to participate will need to provide personal contact information, as well as the number and type of pets in the household. Participants will need to pre-register by completing and mailing back the form on our website. The participants will then be notified that they have been approved by mail and the date and time to pick up the pet food at our distribution center.

The pet food bank is not to be used for feeding foster care animals, outdoor community animals, Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) or feral colonies. Recipients must show proof that animals are sterilized and that they reside within Montgomery County, MD, and the owners must affirm that they own each pet listed. If the pet was sterilized through AWLMC's spay/neuter program, no other proof of sterilization is required, simply check the box that the pet was fixed through our program.

### Requirements:

Companion animals, household pet cats and dogs only

Pets must reside with resident in the household

Each animal must be spayed or neutered

Pet owners must provide proof of Montgomery County, MD residence.

Recipient must be in economic need – we verify house value.

Recipient must affirm ownership of each pet.

Recipient must provide proof that each pet has been spayed or neutered.

Recipient must come to the distribution center. No distribution will be made to an individual for family members, neighbors or friends.

AWLMC may be able to provide transportation for recipient, should recipient not be able to get to the shelter.

Recipient is not able to specify brand of pet food. Various brands are given out at different times.

Recipient must agree not to adopt any additional pets while in the program.

This program limits the number of pets per household that can receive food to ten.

Attached is the application for the Chompers Pet Food Bank Program. Please fill it out and return it to AWLMC with proof of spay/neuter for each pet being registered. Once we receive this, it will be verified for approval and we will contact you on a pick up date and time for your pet food. Once you have been approved, you will not need to fill out the form again unless there are any new pets that you are registering for the program or you have moved.

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