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## **Pasco County Animal Services to offer low cost vaccinations**

*~~\$5 rabies vaccines and \$15 microchips will help lower pet care costs~~*

**PASCO COUNTY, FL** ---- The Pasco County Animal Services Department (PCAS) is offering an opportunity to save money while protecting family pets. \$5.00 rabies vaccines and \$15.00 microchips will be available at PCAS **Saturday, April 30, 2016**, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., or until the vaccines and microchips are gone. PCAS is excited to provide this discounted option to help Pasco County residents keep their pets up to date with rabies vaccines. Low cost microchips will help responsible pet owners bring their beloved cat or dog home, should they become lost. Dr. William Smith, the shelter's dedicated veterinarian, will be administering vaccines and the microchips to the first 300 pets.

The shelter's goal is to encourage more pet owners to vaccinate their cats and dogs against rabies, a potentially deadly disease. Rabies is a preventable viral disease, generally transmitted through the bite of a rabid animal. A vast majority of cases do occur in wild animals, but rabies can be passed on to unvaccinated pets and people. Pet owners who take advantage of the low cost rabies vaccines will be required to purchase a County dog license at the price of \$10.00 for an altered pet and \$35.00 for an unaltered pet. The licenses are required and can only be issued if the pet is up to date on their rabies vaccination.

The Pasco County Animal Services Department is dedicated to promoting and protecting the health, safety and welfare of animals and people. Visit the Pasco County Animal Services Adoption Center at 19640 Dogpatch Lane, Land O' Lakes, Florida. We're open Tuesday through Saturday, from 12:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. For more information, including volunteer opportunities, please visit the Pasco County Animal Services website at: <http://www.pascocountyfl.net/PAS> or call (813) 929-1212, (352) 521-5194, or (727) 834-3216.

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