

Communication from Public

Name: Arianne Vena

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:03 AM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: ***PLEASE Fully Fund All Spay/Neuter Voucher Types – Animals and Families Deserve Better!!*** Dear Los Angeles City Councilmembers, I am writing to urge you to take immediate action to fully fund all spay and neuter voucher types in the City of Los Angeles, not just the Free Voucher for owned pets, but also those that support the Citywide Cat Program, shelter pets, mobile clinics, rabbits, and low-income families. After ten years without an increase, the City Council’s recent decision to raise reimbursement rates for only one voucher type—for just one year—leaves behind tens of thousands of animals who urgently need care. This limited increase fails to support the high-volume, cost-effective programs that have proven to reduce shelter intake and euthanasia rates. As you know, LA faces an escalating animal welfare crisis: our shelters are overcrowded, adoptable animals are being euthanised, and veterinarians cannot afford to participate in the voucher program because the outdated reimbursement rates do not reflect the real cost of providing care. Vulnerable animals need help. Every dollar invested in spay and neuter saves the City approximately four dollars in sheltering costs. At the South LA shelter alone, the City spends an estimated \$12,000 per day in animal care costs—more than \$4 million per year. Now multiply that by six LAAS shelters. Fully funding the voucher program is not just humane, it’s fiscally responsible. Please don’t leave our animals and the people who care for them behind. Fully implement the voucher rate increase across all voucher types so we can prevent suffering, reduce costs, and save lives. Sincerely, Arianne Vena 90232 On behalf of Muku, Deenie, Chadwick and Dr. Bombay (our extended family's kitties)

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Date Submitted: 08/10/2025 09:17 PM

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North hollywood, 91605

Communication from Public

Name: Jackeline Granados

Date Submitted: 08/09/2025 08:06 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: Ketzia
Date Submitted: 08/09/2025 10:24 PM
Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Los Angeles City Councilmembers, I am writing with deep frustration and urgency to demand that you fully fund all spay and neuter voucher types in the City of Los Angeles—not just the Free Voucher for owned pets. This includes vouchers for the Citywide Cat Program, mobile clinics, shelter animals, rabbits, and low-income families who are already struggling to care for their pets. It is absolutely unacceptable that after a decade of stagnant reimbursement rates, the Council has chosen to increase funding for only one type of voucher—and only for a single year. This half-measure is not just shortsighted, it's negligent. It abandons thousands of animals and the overwhelmed shelters, clinics, and caregivers trying desperately to help them. Los Angeles is in a full-blown animal welfare crisis. Shelters are packed. Adoptable animals are being euthanized—not because they aren't wanted, but because we're not doing enough to prevent the flood of animals entering the system in the first place. Veterinarians can't afford to participate in this program because the reimbursement rates are insultingly outdated and no longer cover the actual costs of care. This isn't just a moral failure—it's a financial one too. Every dollar spent on spay and neuter saves the City roughly four dollars in sheltering costs. The South LA shelter alone costs \$12,000 per day to operate. That's over \$4 million a year—for just one shelter. Multiply that across the six city shelters, and the math is glaringly obvious: funding prevention is the smart, fiscally responsible path. So why aren't we doing it? We cannot claim to be a progressive, compassionate city while continuing to ignore the suffering of animals and the burnout of those trying to save them. Fully implement the voucher rate increase for all voucher types—not halfway, not someday, right now. Stop letting animals and their advocates fall through the cracks. The time for excuses is over. Do your job. Sincerely, Ketzia 90033

Communication from Public

Name: Fariba Hezarkhani
Date Submitted: 08/10/2025 03:08 AM
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Communication from Public

Name: Amy Kern

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:55 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am IN FAVOR of increasing spay/neuter voucher reimbursement rates that have not been increased in TEN years! Los Angeles animals need greater support, not less. In 2024, the city saw a staggering 72% rise in dog and cat euthanasia compared to 2023. Spay and neuter services are a proven, humane solution to reduce these heartbreaking numbers.

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Name: Erin

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 12:09 PM

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90018

Communication from Public

Name: Anne Carlile

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 12:57 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Council members, I understand & appreciate knowing that you have voted to increase the spending on spay & neuter vouchers for one year, but it isn't enough. Yes, I know we are living during a difficult fiscal time with budget constraints & shortfalls. However, funding for spay & neutering animals is cost effective and proactive. For every animal fixed, that's fewer animals being born & ending up in our overburdened & expensive shelter system. I see far too many people on NextDoor selling or giving away puppies from unintended litters. The odds are high that many will end up in our shelters. We have to be proactive to stop this. Please consider allocating more funds to spay & neuter programs. It will be tax dollars well spent. Thank you!

Communication from Public

Name: Stephanie Rosas
Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 01:00 PM
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Communication from Public

Name: Miyu Sudo

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 01:18 PM

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90024

Communication from Public

Name: Delfina Jaramillo

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 01:21 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: IRIS ALVAREZ

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 01:41 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: We need for people to be able to afford to have their pets fix to stop unwanted babies later who will most likely be abandoned to continue the circle.

Communication from Public

Name: Deborah Stuver

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 01:49 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: There are many, many dogs and cats that can't be spayed or neutered do to it being so expensive to do. Therefore we have many puppies and kittens being born and not enough rescues or people that can help with this. I feel people would be able to afford to stay or never their animals if we could increase the voucher amount they can receive. Please consider doi B g this to help save so many of these furbabies being put down. Thank you fir your time.

Communication from Public

Name: Denise Ramirez

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 02:42 PM

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Name: Nataly Ramirez
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Communication from Public

Name: Cori Billingsly

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Name: francyne foxman

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 03:17 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please increase animal resources & funding. Being proactive is the key vs tertiary care. Thank you?? Francyne

Communication from Public

Name: James Jones

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 03:28 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not cut funding for CAMP LA. It's a wonderful organization that does so much to take care of pets and to reduce the proliferation of unwanted litters that will most likely end up in shelters or euthanized.

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Name: Carolina Herrera

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:09 AM

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Name: ERICK CORDERO

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Name: John L Walker
Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:11 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: This is an ongoing catastrophe, and help must be given to needy families!

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Name: Meredith Vender

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:13 AM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: Los Angeles animals need more help, not less. In 2024, there was a 72% increase in dog and cat euthanasia rates from 2023. Spay and neuter is a proven, effective solution to reduce shelter euthanasia. Thank you so much for using your voice to advocate for affordable spay and neuter services in LA.

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Communication from Public

Name: Martha Valencia

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Comments for Public Posting: WE NEED MORE' FREE SPAY/NEUTER' (CLINICS, EVENTS) IN ALL COMMUNITIES.....PLEASE HELP WITH FUNDING.

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Name: Brenda Beck

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:19 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please fund and support vouchers and all possible financial assistance to our animal welfare services, low-income residents, and others who work so hard to care for our animals. Please know and support continued assistance for spay/neuter and veterinary services.

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Name: B Benavides

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:22 AM

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Communication from Public

Name: Thelma Nyunt

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:25 AM

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Communication from Public

Name: Evelyn Gray

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:26 AM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: Los Angeles City Council: PLEASE INCREASE THE BUDGET FOR SPAY AND NEUTER OF DOGS, CATS AND PETS NOW! Stop wasting money on killing "surplus" puppies, kittens, cats, dogs and rabbits. Los Angeles animals need more help, not less. In 2024, there was a 72% increase in dog and cat euthanasia rates from 2023. Spay and neuter is a proven, effective solution to reduce shelter euthanasia. Thank you so much for using your voice to advocate for affordable spay and neuter services in LA.

Communication from Public

Name: Lisa Mejia
Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:27 AM
Council File No: 23-0452
Comments for Public Posting: Please increase our budget

Communication from Public

Name: Nallyve De Leon

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:29 AM

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Communication from Public

Name: Vivian Tristan

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:30 AM

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Communication from Public

Name: Beth Goldfarb Jackson

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Communication from Public

Name: Jan

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:35 AM

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Communication from Public

Name: Denise E Hill

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 11:39 AM

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Concerned Citizen

Communication from Public

Name: Amy Palmer

Date Submitted: 08/09/2025 01:53 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: I'm deeply disappointed that you are cutting back on the spay neuter vouchers for rescuers, feeders, and trappers. They are truly on the front lines of this cat, dog, and small animal overpopulation crisis. We are LOS ANGELES, we should be on the forefront of this movement to offer free or low cost spay and neuter readily and accessible for all! We should be innovating and get ahead of pet overpopulation, not chasing behind it with sheltering stuck in the 80's. Why not get a great LA company like Netflix or Disney to partner with and have them give out like a 6 month free subscriptions to people who fix their pets. We need to incentivize it like giving blood. Please you have to listen to rescues and not shelters. Shelters don't care about animals.

Communication from Public

Name: Danny Cerezo

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 04:04 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: I really don't understand why more funding cannot be provided to all L.A. shelters, and more specifically, the spay and neuter program. It is such a small piece of the overall city budget that departments like the police or fire won't even miss it. For them, it's a rounding error. After ten years without an increase, the City Council's recent decision to raise reimbursement rates for only one voucher type—for just one year—leaves behind tens of thousands of animals who urgently need care. This limited increase fails to support the high-volume, cost-effective programs that have proven to reduce shelter intake and euthanasia rates. As you know, LA faces an escalating animal welfare crisis: our shelters are overcrowded, adoptable animals are being euthanised, and veterinarians cannot afford to participate in the voucher program because the outdated reimbursement rates do not reflect the real cost of providing care. Vulnerable animals need help. Every dollar invested in spay and neuter saves the City approximately four dollars in sheltering costs. At the South LA shelter alone, the City spends an estimated \$12,000 per day in animal care costs—more than \$4 million per year. Now multiply that by six LAAS shelters. Fully funding the voucher program is not just humane, it's fiscally responsible. Please don't leave our animals and the people who care for them behind. Fully implement the voucher rate increase across all voucher types so we can prevent suffering, reduce costs, and save lives. Sincerely,
Danny Cerezo Leimert Park, 90018

Communication from Public

Name: Shelley zagars

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 04:10 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: People need to have their pets spayed & neutered. The current high costs are making people not have it done due to the fact they just cannot afford it. This leads to more & more unwelcome pets with nowhere to go but the shelter. Then they are euthanized. Please do something

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Name: Kimberlee Baker

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 03:32 PM

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Communication from Public

Name: Carol Vena-Mondt
Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 03:44 PM
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Communication from Public

Name: Lorraine Hall

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 03:48 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: Please increase funding for spay and neutering of dogs, cats and rabbits to help with the over population of our beloved domesticated animals and give so much to our well being. It is humane for us and the animals, to expand this program so more people can afford to have pets.

Communication from Public

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Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 06:19 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: It is necessary to have the funding to spay/neuter our community animals, there cats in our neighborhood that keep having kittens, for example one cat in my neighborhood in the last year has had 3 litters. Please help us help them and it will cost less then to bring them to shelter.

Communication from Public

Name: Ellie Plante

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 09:23 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: I donate \$20/ month plus I volunteer at Harbor LAAS. The amount of HEALTHY cats dogs and small animals killed because of overpopulation has INCREASED since January 2025. I attend many town halls and ask my community why are you not spay/ neutering. Mainly because of the cost. Others say BECAUSE THEY DONT NEED TO dog or cat stays inside. But then they reveal OOPS my dog impregnated another dog! Education and LOW COST spay and neuter is the best resolve. And create a MANDATE just as LA city has with dog rabies and licensing! Please increase the voucher program. The community WILL VOLUNTEER the rest

Communication from Public

Name: Jorge

Date Submitted: 08/07/2025 09:37 PM

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91204 Salem

Communication from Public

Name: Lina Gazarova

Date Submitted: 08/08/2025 10:45 AM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: To: Los Angeles City Council & Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Subject: Urgent Need to Increase Funding for Spay & Neuter Voucher Programs Dear Councilmembers and Supervisors, Los Angeles County is facing an unprecedented animal overpopulation crisis. Our shelters are at — and often beyond — capacity, forcing the heartbreaking reality of euthanizing healthy, adoptable animals simply because there is no space. This is not only a moral crisis, but also a financial burden on our communities. One of the most cost-effective and humane solutions is to significantly expand funding for spay and neuter voucher programs. Every voucher prevents countless unwanted litters, reducing intake at our shelters, lowering operational costs, and saving lives. Investing in prevention costs a fraction of what it takes to house, feed, and ultimately euthanize animals that could have been spared through proactive care. Currently, demand for vouchers far exceeds supply, leaving many low-income and fixed-income residents without the means to responsibly spay or neuter their pets. Without increased funding, the cycle of overpopulation will continue, and so will the strain on our shelter system. I strongly urge you to increase the budget allocation for spay and neuter vouchers in the upcoming fiscal year. This is an investment in humane treatment, fiscal responsibility, and the health and safety of our neighborhoods. By acting now, we can save thousands of lives and work toward the day when no healthy animal is euthanized for lack of space. Respectfully, Lina Yegoyan 3108045272 Lina4re@gmail.com

Communication from Public

Name:

Date Submitted: 08/08/2025 12:27 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

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Communication from Public

Name: IRMA MUNGUIA INOUE
Date Submitted: 08/08/2025 01:21 PM
Council File No: 23-0452
Comments for Public Posting: To take care of stray cats in my neighborhood, what help can I get if I can trap them. Adult cats, 4 kittens & a very pregnant cat

Communication from Public

Name: Francy

Date Submitted: 08/08/2025 02:18 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

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Loki, Coco, Cholo

Communication from Public

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Communication from Public

Name: Brad Gamble

Date Submitted: 08/08/2025 07:25 AM

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Communication from Public

Name: Emily Alcantar

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90019

Communication from Public

Name: Caroline Foley

Date Submitted: 08/08/2025 11:54 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: Spay and neuter saves lives! 4 out of every 10 shelter pets in Los Angeles don't make it out alive. That is an absolutely ghoulish number! What happens to those bodies? They get rendered. And what after that? Products containing rendered animals are used in our daily lives. Sometimes, they even end up back in our pets food. This cycle is a nightmare, but it's also totally preventable. If the city can't offer free spay and neuter for all its residents then they at least need to expand the voucher program. Thank you for your time!

Communication from Public

Name: Gayle Palma

Date Submitted: 08/09/2025 07:59 AM

Council File No: 23-0452

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Communication from Public

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Date Submitted: 08/09/2025 09:21 AM

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Communication from Public

Name: Priscila

Date Submitted: 08/09/2025 09:51 AM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: Hi will im being responsible for my pets there's dogs not being taken care of animals, being abandoned puppies being born and sold, and there was more fun towards this. There will be more pet owners and less dogs rolling around in the streets.

Communication from Public

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Communication from Public

Name: DeeDee Gonzalez
Date Submitted: 08/09/2025 10:50 AM
Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: The Council's motion to raise voucher rates does is only for pet owners using free public voucher. This leaves out programs that do thousands of spay and neuter surgeries each year. So many of us were hopeful the city would take the pet overpopulation and shelter overcrowding seriously, knowing that spay and neuter is the KEY to reducing the number of unwanted animals. Can you please tell us, the public who cares about these animals, why you all voted YES of the changes? It was disappointing to see that small animals were left off, and now seeing this watered down version, a huge let-down. Myself and some other volunteers from a local shelter began hosting low cost spay and neuter clinics in the 15th city council district. It is very hard to raise money for these clinics, and now, even less dogs will be fixed due to the watered down voucher decision. It is ridiculous more money is not spent at the ROOT OF THE PROBLEM. It costs and extraordinary amount of money to house and care for (low quality care) these unwanted dogs. Why not invest more in spay / neuter, and have less animals in shelters? Make it make sense to us!

Communication from Public

Name: Ayelet Ifrah

Date Submitted: 08/09/2025 12:34 PM

Council File No: 23-0452

Comments for Public Posting: We cannot adopt our way out of the shelter crisis. The city must invest in spay/neuter vouchers and low cost spay/neuter immediately. The injunction for a decade allowed population numbers to explode and we must finally push back to get the numbers of stray animals under control. Especially as vet costs explode while vet offices are bought up by venture capitalists, people and animals desperately need the city's help.

Communication from Public

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Date Submitted: 08/09/2025 12:45 PM

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