



**VETERINARY
SPECIALTY HOSPITAL**
SORRENTO VALLEY



**Pearl Street
Pet Hospital**

Give Blood, Grow Love

A COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE FOR PEOPLE & PETS

March 14 | 9 AM - 12 PM
at Pearl Street Pet Hospital



A community blood drive supporting both people and pets. Donate blood with the San Diego Blood Bank and learn how your pet can become a blood donor.

Thank you to our community partners:



WHY PET BLOOD DONATION MATTERS

-  A single donation can save more than one pet's life
-  Trauma, surgery, and illness often require transfusions
-  There's an urgent need for both dog and cat donors

PET DONOR QUALIFICATIONS

DOGS	CATS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall good health • 1-7 years of age • Over 36 lbs • Current on monthly flea, tick, and heart worm prevention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall good health • 1-7 years of age • Indoor only and over 10 lbs • Current on monthly flea prevention

Walk-ins welcome - scan the QR code below to get a head start!

PETS



PEOPLE



QUESTIONS?

Contact us at (858) 875-7500 or blood.donor@ethosvet.com



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What to Expect:

1. **Check-In and Eligibility Review** - When families arrive, our team will review donor eligibility requirements, including age, weight, vaccine status, temperament, and general health history.
2. **Medical Record Screening** - Ideally, we will have prescreened medical records from the pet's primary veterinarian prior to the event. This helps streamline the process and identify any potential concerns ahead of time. For walk-up participants, we can still proceed with initial screening and will make note to follow up with their primary veterinarian afterward to obtain records.
3. **Physical Exam** - Each prospective donor will receive a brief physical exam performed by a board-certified criticalist to confirm they are healthy and safe to participate.
4. **Enrollment Expectations** - During the event, we should clearly emphasize that enrolling as a blood donor involves a one-year commitment. Donors who join the program are expected to donate at least four times within 12 months of enrollment. This helps ensure a reliable and sustainable donor pool for patients in need. It's also helpful for families to understand that we invest significantly in our donors—providing complimentary exams, screening bloodwork, and ongoing wellness monitoring. Setting expectations up front helps ensure we are enrolling families who are truly able to commit to the program.
5. **Next Steps for Qualified Donors** - Once a pet has passed eligibility screening and exam, they will be scheduled for a follow-up technician appointment at VSH for their blood draw and any additional testing required to complete enrollment.
6. **Owner Communication** - Throughout the process, pet parents will be kept informed about expectations, timelines, and what to expect during the follow-up appointment and future donations.