

ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE of BOSTON



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ARL to Begin Pet Wellness Clinics in East Boston

ARL Wellness Waggin' expands services in Boston

Today, the Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is pleased to announce that the Wellness Waggin', a state-of-the-art mobile veterinary clinic, has added East Boston to its list of rotating stops within the Boston Metro area.

Since the Wellness Waggin' was unveiled in 2019, the mobile clinic has provided services for well over 3,000 animals in the Dorchester, Roxbury, and Mattapan communities, and ARL is thrilled to be able to extend these services to the East Boston Community. For the estimated 16,000 pets and 40,000 residents living in East Boston, pet resources are extremely limited, with just one veterinary clinic and one pet supply store in the immediate area.

Media Availability

When: Thursday, January 21, 2021, from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Where: Central Square Park – Border St. @ Liberty Plaza Shopping Center, East Boston

For \$10, Wellness Waggin' clients receive:

- Physical exam
- Rabies vaccine
- Distemper vaccine
- Flea treatment
- Microchip

These services would cost upwards of \$300 in a traditional veterinary clinic setting.

“ARL is excited and humbled to be able to provide these essential services to pet owners in East Boston,” said **Dr. Edward Schettino, ARL President and CEO**. “East Boston was identified as an area of great need, which was further compounded by COVID-19. Having access to affordable veterinary care is critical, especially now, and ARL is proud to broaden its reach into this great community.”

ARL has been permitted by the City of Boston to hold the by-appointment-only clinics at Central Square Park. Residents of East Boston, Dorchester, Roxbury, or Mattapan looking to make future appointments can call (857) 350-8720 or log onto arlboston.org to book an appointment.

ABOUT THE ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON:

The Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is an unwavering champion for animals in need, committed to keeping them safe and healthy in habitats and homes. Founded in 1899, ARL provides high-quality veterinary care, adoption, and rescue services; while also confronting the root causes of animal cruelty and neglect through innovative community programs, police investigations, and public advocacy. In 2019, ARL served more than 20,000 animals throughout Massachusetts. ARL is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. The Animal Rescue League of Boston does not receive government grants or public funding (with the exception of limited COVID-19 relief funding) and relies on the generosity of our supporters to help animals in need. For more information please visit us online at; and be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

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