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## **ARL Receives Massachusetts Animal Coalition Grant to Support Ongoing Spay/Neuter Efforts**

The Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is pleased to announce it has been awarded a \$25,000 grant from the Massachusetts Animal Coalition (MAC), to support ARL's ongoing efforts to provide low-cost and subsidized spay/neuter options for pet owners in Massachusetts.

The grant is provided through MAC's "I'm Animal Friendly" License Plate Program, and the funds will be utilized in 2024.

ARL's primary service areas include the South Shore, South Coast, Cape Cod region, and Greater Boston, and these areas are in dire need of access to fully or partially subsidized spay/neuter surgeries. Limited access combined with inflation and poor economic conditions has led to an increased demand for these services.

Through ARL's Spay Waggin' and Wellness Waggin', the organization is able to bring pet wellness services directly where they're needed most, however, demand for spay/neuter services remain high as ARL currently receives approximately 50 inquiries for low-cost or subsidized spay/neuter services every week (about 7-10 per day).

The grant funds will have a tremendous impact, allowing ARL the ability to provide spay/neuter services for hundreds of animals.

“Spay/neuter is an important measure in preventing unwanted litters, while providing numerous health benefits for pets, but the cost of the procedure is still prohibitive for many pet owners,” stated Dr. Edward Schettino, ARL President and CEO. “ARL is grateful for this generous grant from the Massachusetts Animal Coalition as it will allow ARL to help even more pets in need in 2024.”

**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 2023, ARL served 20,964 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 and relies on the generosity of our supporters to help animals in need. For more information please visit us online at [arlboston.org](http://arlboston.org); and be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

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