Steps to the Application Process

Part One

2. You must read the guidelines and policies thoroughly.
3. You will gather all of your required documentation to prove hardship.
4. You will complete the online application. If you are unable to locate the online application, you have not thoroughly read the guidelines and policies.

Part Two

1. You will email or fax your required documents for yourself and for all members of your household that are over 18 years of age to Paws 4 A Cure IMMEDIATELY after completing the online application for financial assistance.
2. You are responsible for providing the Veterinary Packet below to the veterinary practice that will be performing the treatment or direct them to the Veterinary Professionals page. Do NOT write on any of the veterinary documents. The Veterinary Packet is for the veterinary practice to complete. The veterinary practice should email or fax their documents directly to Paws 4 A Cure.

Part Three

1. Your required documentation is received.
2. Your application will go into Pending Status.
3. You will receive an email acknowledgement that your application has been received.

Part Four

1. If all of your proof of hardship and the treating veterinary practice’s required documentation are received, Paws 4 A Cure will start the application review.
2. You MUST apply to several different financial assistance programs along with applying to Paws 4 A Cure, links to which can be found on our Helpful Resources page. **DO NOT RELY ON A PAWS 4 A CURE GRANT ONLY**

Decisions are based upon several factors, including: medical urgency, financial need, available funding, and eligibility. Due to the overwhelming number of applications we receive, we cannot help everyone.

Part Five

If your application for assistance is approved

1. You will receive an approval email with an acceptance letter that you are to provide to the treating veterinary practice before the treatment is performed.
2. You will complete the requirements so that Paws 4 A Cure can create your dog or cat’s fundraising page.
3. Once you receive the email that your fundraising page is completed, you are REQUIRED to fundraise by sharing the fundraising page that Paws 4 A Cure creates with your friends, family and local news media to help generate donations for your dog or cat’s veterinary care.
4. You must provide Paws 4 A Cure the contact information for the news media that you reached out to. Paws 4 A Cure cannot use your already existing GoFundMe page. I must provide the links to the online news media articles if they create an article on their websites. If I do not fundraise for my dog or cat’s veterinary care, Paws 4 A Cure will not send payment to the veterinary practice.
5. My dog/cat will receive the veterinary treatment.
6. The veterinary practice will email or fax the detailed invoice to Paws 4 A Cure.
7. Paws 4 A Cure will send a check via the U.S. mail to the veterinary practice within 30 days following receipt of an itemized invoice emailed or faxed by the veterinary practice.

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