

The Farley Foundation is a registered charity that assists Ontarians by subsidizing the cost of veterinary care for their pets. The Foundation was established by the Ontario Veterinary Medical Association in 2001.

The Farley Foundation subsidizes the cost of necessary or emergency veterinary care for the pets. In order to qualify for funding, pet owners must be otherwise unable to pay for needed veterinary care for their pet, be a current client of an eligible Ontario veterinary hospital and fall into one of the following five categories:

1. Seniors who are receiving the Federal Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS).
2. Disabled individuals who are receiving the Ontario Disability Support Payment.
3. Disabled individuals who are receiving the Canada Pension Plan disability payment.
4. Women at risk of abuse who are entering a registered women's shelter in Ontario, and who are participating in OVMA's SafePet Program.

## Subsidized Vet Help

Ontario Veterinary  
Medical Association



5. Individuals receiving financial assistance through the Ontario Works program.  
In addition to individual help, the Farley Foundation also provides funding to subsidize the cost of veterinary care for pets owned by the following types of facilities in Ontario: supportive housing, retirement homes and long-term care homes.  
In order to be able to access Farley Foundation funding for their clients, veterinarians must be members of the Ontario

Veterinary Medical Association (OVMA). Funding is available to subsidize the treatment of any animal whose primary purpose is companionship, regardless of the species of animal.  
The Farley Foundation will pay for non-elective procedures or treatments. Routine physical examinations, vaccinations, etc. will not be funded. Spays and neuters will not be funded, unless the procedure is essential to the continued health of the animal. General prophylactic

dental care isn't eligible for funding. Other dental procedures like extractions are considered on a case-by-case basis.

Individuals whose pets require veterinary care are asked to speak with their veterinarian about the possibility of applying for Farley Foundation funding. It is the veterinarian who makes the application for funding, not the pet owner. The Farley Foundation cannot recommend a veterinarian, nor discuss funding applications with pet owners.

To find a veterinarian, visit [www.ovma.org](http://www.ovma.org) and choose the "Pet Owners" link and then "Find A Veterinarian."

### ASK THE EXPERT:

Ontario Veterinary Medical  
Association  
1-800-670-1702 ext/10  
[www.ovma.org](http://www.ovma.org)

The Farley Foundation  
1-888-262-9811 ext.1  
[www.farleyfoundation.org](http://www.farleyfoundation.org)

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