



BLOOD DONATION AT EEVC

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE

WHAT HAPPENS ON A DONATION DAY?

- ✦ A complete physical exam will be done by the attending DVM.
- ✦ A small amount of blood will be taken to run a PCV/TS. This measures the total red blood cell count to make sure it is safe to donate.
- ✦ Once your pet is cleared by exam and PCV, you may choose to leave him/her at the hospital for the donation and step out as the process can take between 2-3 hours.
- ✦ Your pet will be lightly sedated for us to perform the procedure.
- ✦ A small area of fur will be shaved from the neck and a front leg, if an IV catheter is placed, and the skin will be surgically scrubbed.
- ✦ Blood will be obtained from the jugular vein using a sterile needle and setup.
- ✦ A bandage will be applied after donation to allow for clotting to occur. This can be removed one hour after going home.
- ✦ Subcutaneous fluids will be given to the pet to replenish the volume that was donated.
- ✦ A reversal agent will be administered to the pet to allow him/her to wake up from sedation. He/she may remain groggy for a few hours after.
- ✦ Once your pet is awake and ready to go, you will receive a call to come pick up your hero!

THE PERKS OF BEING A BLOOD DONOR HERO

To show our appreciation, our active blood donors will receive:

- ✦ Free yearly laboratory testing (valued at about \$1000).
- ✦ Free yearly physical exam.
- ✦ Free bag of food of your choice from Hill's Pet Nutrition for each donation.
- ✦ Free nail trim and ear cleaning after each donation.
- ✦ If your pet were ever in need of a transfusion themselves, they will be eligible for one transfusion at our facility at no charge (valued at about \$800).

Please contact us at 631-369-4513 about getting the process started.

OPEN 24/7, 365 DAYS A YEAR

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