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HOUSTON PETSET TO HOST FREE PET MICROCHIP AND VACCINE EVENT ON SATURDAY

Pet owners will also be able to sign up their pets for free spay/neuter surgeries and bring home free pet supplies at this community event.

(HOUSTON, TX) – [Houston PetSet](https://www.houstonpetset.org), a local nonprofit organization working to end Houston’s homeless animal crisis, is excited to host their first ever free microchip event taking place this Saturday, June 11, 2022, from 9:30am until 12:00pm at Community Family Centers in Houston’s East End.

Earlier this year and with the support of Houston PetSet, the City of Houston passed an ordinance requiring all pets to be microchipped. Thanks to a generous donation from board member Ann Kaesermann, Houston PetSet was able to purchase 3,000 HomeAgain microchips to distribute for free to the community to aid them in becoming compliant with this new ordinance.

“We believe that we must support the ordinance that was recently passed,” said Tena Lundquist Faust, Co-President of Houston PetSet. “Ordinances are only productive if they are enforced and if the community is encouraged to follow them. Hopefully this event will highlight this new policy and get the word out that microchips are now mandatory. This is so important for helping get lost dogs and cats returned to their loving families.”

In addition to these free microchips, the event will also offer free core vaccines for dogs and cats, including rabies vaccines generously funded by Barrio Dogs. Houston Humane Society will be on site distributing free dog and cat food to pet owners, and Emancipet will be signing pets up for free spay/neuter surgeries (to be completed at a later date).

WHAT: Free Microchip Event
WHEN: Media is invited Saturday, June 11, 2022 at 9:00am
WHERE: Community Family Centers, 7524 Avenue E, Houston, TX 77012
WHO: Houston PetSet, Emancipet, Barrio Dogs & Houston Humane Society

Representatives from the organizations will be available for interviews at the event, and photo/video can be provided upon request.

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ABOUT HOUSTON PETSET: Houston PetSet gives, connects, and advocates for lasting solutions in Houston to alleviate suffering and end companion animal homelessness. The 501c3 nonprofit umbrella organization does this through their own local programming and by supporting groups that have demonstrated accountability and are making an impact “in the trenches” in our community for the animals.