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Petco Love and Rancho Coastal Humane Society Distribute Free Pet Vaccines and Bring Community Together to Protect Pets Against Deadly Preventable Diseases

As Part of Petco Love's Vaccinated and Loved Initiative that Provides Free Pet Vaccines, Rancho Coastal Humane Society Will Host Free Vaccine Event on Saturday, July 11 in Encinitas

Encinitas, CA (July 6, 2026) – Rancho Coastal Humane Society will provide free vaccinations for Encinitas and Coastal North County area pets. The free vaccines are made possible through Petco Love's national vaccination initiative *Vaccinated and Loved*. The national nonprofit organization, [Petco Love](https://petcolove.org), has provided four million free pet vaccines and counting to participating animal welfare partners, including Rancho Coastal Humane Society, for family pets in need.

The *Vaccinated and Loved* campaign highlights Petco Love's ongoing commitment to combat preventable yet deadly diseases in communities by distributing free pet vaccines to participating partner organizations, including Rancho Coastal Humane Society, to administer at free clinics. This initiative ensures access barriers don't stand in the way of pets' health.

Parvovirus and distemper in dogs and panleukopenia in cats — the most prevalent deadly diseases affecting pets — are preventable with a simple vaccine. As Petco Love distributes free pet vaccines, survey data from pet parents who attended free clinics show only 38% reported that their pet received a similar vaccine in the past. This data highlights the critical need for free pet vaccine clinics in communities like Encinitas and throughout San Diego County.

The free vaccines distributed at events through the Petco Love *Vaccinated and Loved* initiative will be the DAPPv Canine and HCP Feline vaccines. Through this national effort, Rancho Coastal Humane Society aims to vaccinate 90-150 pets. **This Free Pet Vaccination event will take place from 9:00 a.m. until Noon between Vivian's Learning Center and Brock's Community Pet Food Bank on Rancho Coastal Humane Society's North Campus at 389 Requeza Street in Encinitas.** Pre-registration is required. Pet parents can register online at sdpets.org.

"Petco Love's partnership is critical to our ability to bring lifesaving vaccines directly to pet parents at no cost," said Judi Sanzo, President and CEO of Rancho Coastal Humane Society. "By removing barriers to preventative care, more pets stay protected and that benefits our entire community."

Survey data from pet parents who attended free clinics also highlights how community vaccine clinics open the door to ongoing veterinary care. This is especially true for financially strained families that are facing cost barriers to pet care and not yet connected to routine preventative services.

“For nearly half of the pet parents we surveyed at free clinics powered by Petco Love, these events are how they make sure their pets get vaccinated,” said Petco Love President Chelsea Staley. “For families who haven't yet established a veterinary care routine due to access barriers, free vaccine clinics are often the very first step they take—where they first connect with trusted veterinary guidance. It’s more than just a single shot. It’s about preventing disease in the long term, protecting communities, and opening the door for families and pets to a lifetime of care.”

In February 2026, Petco Love’s *Vaccinated and Loved* initiative [reached a significant milestone of distributing four million free pet vaccines](#) for family pets. The campaign was launched in 2021, encouraging participating Petco Love animal welfare partners to host free vaccine clinics in their communities.

For more information about vaccine distribution, visit Rancho Coastal Humane Society at 389 Requeza Street in Encinitas or call (760) 753-6413. Learn more about Petco Love’s lifesaving impact at PetcoLove.org.

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About Rancho Coastal Humane Society

Rancho Coastal Humane Society is dedicated to saving lives of abandoned companion animals, promoting adoption into loving homes and offering education programs and support services that inspire and strengthen the human-animal bond. A member of the San Diego Animal Welfare Coalition, RCHS abides by the pledge that NO healthy, treatable animal will ever be euthanized for time or space. At Rancho Coastal Humane Society, we believe that Every Animal Deserves a Tomorrow®. Visit sdpets.org or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, X, and YouTube.

About Petco Love

Petco Love is a life-changing nonprofit organization that makes communities and pet families closer, stronger, and healthier. Since 1999, we’ve empowered more than 4,000 animal welfare partners to drive lifesaving change alongside us – investing nearly \$441 million in adoption and other lifesaving efforts. We’ve helped find loving homes for more than 7.1 million pets in partnership with Petco and organizations nationwide. Our love for pets drives us to lead with innovation, creating [Petco Love Lost](#) to reunite lost pets with their families. Visit [Petco Love](#) and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [TikTok](#).