

# Vizsla Club of America Welfare Foundation (VCA WF)

## Grant Review Guidelines

The VCA WF Rescue Fund provides grants to support rescue efforts on behalf of the purebred Vizsla. Our volunteer Board of Directors partners with regional Vizsla clubs, rescue volunteers and independent rescue groups to fund veterinary care for the purebred Vizsla.

Each request for funds is reviewed within 48 hours of receipt by at least 3 members of the VCA WF Board of Directors. If a request requires full board review—multiple cases, extraordinary veterinary care, requests exceeding \$750—then respond time may vary. A Veterinary Advisory Committee whose volunteer members are familiar with the Vizsla breed may review cases involving extraordinary veterinary care. Extraordinary care is defined by anything other than routine vaccinations, spay or neuter procedures, and routine testing for parasites and tick-borne diseases (TBD). Every effort will be made to respond in a reasonable time frame.

In the case of a veterinary emergency, defined as a life-or-death situation, please contact your regional coordinator.

*All requests to subsidize extraordinary care—except in the case of a life-threatening veterinary emergency—must be submitted and approved **prior** to treatment. Examples of extraordinary care can be extensive testing, included but not limited to tumor biopsies or any planned surgeries like teeth removal and hip replacements.*

### **To apply for a grant please submit the following:**

- + basic information about the dog: age, spayed or neutered, previous home and medical history, if known
- + copies of veterinarian reports and receipts
- + copies of estimated care expenses
- + digital photographs and x-rays if possible
- + amount requested
- + additional funding sources and/or options; e.g., online fundraising website

Please email all support materials and a request to Elise Wright, President of the VCA WF, at [vcawf2000\[at\]gmail.com](mailto:vcawf2000[at]gmail.com).

Each case will be reviewed individually and independent of other cases. The VCA WF reserves the right to limit the amount of funding one dog receives. Further, once a grant is made, the VCA WF is not liable for any decisions made by rescue volunteers, foster homes or veterinarians involved in a particular rescue case.

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