

Veterinary Medicine program participants are asked to bring a minimum of \$150 in donations.

VIDA Veterinary Donations

On the streets of Costa Rica and the other countries in Central America there are thousands of homeless street dogs literally starving and covered in mange, fleas, and fungus. Many other animals suffer needlessly at the hands of their owners who lack education and understanding about providing proper care. VIDA is educating pet owners about the importance of basic needs like access to water, food, tight collars, short ropes and proper shelter. VIDA also provides free spay/neuter clinics in Central America to help control overpopulation

We appreciate all donated items, no matter if they are gently used or brand new. We guarantee that all donated items will be used as specified by the donating party and with advanced request we can send you photos of your donated items being distributed to those in need. Donations will be utilized in our veterinary brigades by veterinary volunteers, pre-veterinary students, veterinary students, and volunteer veterinary professionals in Costa Rica, Nicaragua, and Panama.

Many animals in Central America receive no regular veterinary care. By partnering with communities in need and globally-minded volunteers, we are able to provide basic veterinary care, education, and free spay/neuter surgeries to the pets and livestock of the working poor through our veterinary mission trips. We aim to support other international nonprofits in their commitment to the communities they work in as well as provide support to remote and isolated communities.

All donations are 100% tax deductible and recognized by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service as tax deductible. VIDA is a subsidiary nonprofit organization of the Tropical Adventures Foundation, a registered 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization in California and Costa Rica.

Veterinary medications/materials can be packed in regular luggage and accompanied by a volunteer.

Veterinary Items Needed:

Absorbable suturing materials for dog/cat castrations (0.0, 1.0, 2.0 only)

Dewormer medicine: For Puppies and Kittens

Dewormer medicine: For Dogs and Cats

Dewormer medicine: For Horses

Dewormer medicine: For Cattle such as, Ivermectin

Injectable Antibiotics (Horses, Cattle, Dogs, and Cats)

Nutritional Supplements (Paste for Dogs and Cats)

Injectable Liquid Iron (Pigs)

Injectable Liquid Vitamins: (For Horses, Cattle, Pigs, Goats)

Surgical gloves (all sizes)

Gauze 2x2's and 4x4's

3 Sets of surgical instruments for small and large animal castrations

5 heating pads

Clipper

Nail Clippers

Towels

Sheets

Blankets

Leashes

Collars

Dog and Cat shampoo (flea and medicated)

Flea and Tick medications (oral pills or liquid oils)

Dog Toys

Cat Toys

Synthetic Bones (for dogs and puppies)

20 Kennels/Crates (all sizes needed and accepted)

3 portable surgical tables

We will always accept monetary donations to help reduce the costs of the free spaying and neutering clinics or to make donations to pet owners for follow-up procedures and medications.

Partners for a Brighter Future:

The Caribbean Sloth Rescue Center is in need of the following items:

New wound/burn treatments

Microscope

Centrifuge

Gauze

Syringes

Gloves

Goat Milk (powder)

Kennels

Blankets

Sheets

Towels

VIDA offers volunteers hands-on, eye-opening, mind-enriching volunteer experiences in a constructive and intercultural environment. We provide humanitarian services that help local people in need and learning experiences that benefit the volunteers.