



*Rutherford County*

**Pet Adoption &  
Welfare Services**

285 John R. Rice Blvd. Murfreesboro, TN 37129  
(615) 898-7740 or Fax (615) 898-7994

Petsmart Charities Targeted Spay and Neuter Grant

Requested Amount: \$70260 (1450 Surgeries)

One out of every five dogs, or nearly 700, that enter Rutherford County PAWS is a pit or pit type and estimates show that there are presently 2,920 pits or pit types in Rutherford County. To help curb the number of intakes into the shelter, we have proposed PITSNIP (Paws Initiative To Spay & Neuter Intact Pits). This program will utilize our existing surgery area and will be open to any Rutherford County resident regardless of income, etc. The grant, if awarded, comes with no monetary match from the county.

Included in the grant is the cost of surgeries, additional packs of surgical instruments, a temporary part-time assistant, microchips and marketing. Each animal that is spayed or neutered with PITSNIP will receive a current rabies vaccination and tag as well as a microchip.

Data will be reviewed to determine the impact of the grant with results reported back to Petsmart Charities. We have set our goal of reducing the number of pit and pit type intakes by 50% over the next three years.