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Pet Parents Get Help for Amputation and Rehab Costs

Tripawds Foundation announces new veterinary care assistance programs at WVC 2017.

No animal should suffer after losing a limb. At the 89th annual Western Veterinary Conference March 6-8 in Las Vegas, the vet community can learn about helpful outreach and financial assistance programs just for people facing amputation for their pets when they visit the Tripawds Foundation booth #1032.

Free pet amputation educational materials will be available for clinics to offer their clients. The Tripawds Foundation is also announcing two new assistance programs at WVC.

In February, 2017 the foundation announced the **Tripawds ASAP** (Amputation Surgery Assistance Program) veterinary financial aid fund. This program is helping families in financial need with the unexpected expense of amputation for their dog or cat. For complete details, please visit <http://tri.pet/asap-fund>

March 2017 is the first month of the foundation's new **Tripawds Gear Fund**, an assistive device donation program that provides a free support harness for helping amputee dogs to financially distressed families. Find details at <http://tri.pet/gearfund>

Additional Tripawds Foundation Support and Assistance Programs:

- Maggie Moo Fund for Tripawd Rehab (canine rehab reimbursement) <http://tri.pet/tri-rehab>
- Tripawds Rescue Fund (adoption fee reimbursement) <http://tri.pet/trirescue>
- Tripawds Helpline (toll-free support hotline) <http://tripawds.org/helpline>
- Free Outreach Materials (client education brochures) <http://tripawds.org/outreach>
- Free Support Resources (blogs, discussion forums, live chat and more) <http://tripawds.com>

The Tripawds Foundation is a 501c3 public charity formed in 2014 with the mission to help three legged pets and their people everywhere. The Tripawds network hosts 1,000+ free three legged dog and cat blogs, with more than 12,500 registered members.

Tripawds founders Jim Nelson and Rene Agredano will be available for interview during the WVC conference with spokesdog Wyatt, a three legged German Shepherd Dog who lost his leg to neglect as a puppy.

Tripawds is the largest online support community for amputee animals and their people, founded by the couple in 2006 when their dog Jerry lost a limb to cancer. Nelson and Agredano were featured with Jerry in "Nature: Why We Love Cats and Dogs" which first aired on PBS in 2009.