

HAARTS Program

Helping Alachua's Animals Requiring
Treatment and Surgery

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What is HAARTS?

HAARTS is a program that helps save shelter animals at risk for euthanasia and train University of Florida veterinary students, interns, and residents at the same time.

The Veterinary Community Outreach Program identifies animals in need of help at local shelters and facilitates their medical and surgical care. Once treated, the animals are available for adoption through one of our community adoption agencies.

What kind of procedures are performed?

Typical surgeries performed by Veterinary Community Outreach Program students include amputations, aural hematoma repair, cherry eye repair, eye enucleations, and mass removals. Common medical cases include demodectic mange, heartworm disease, respiratory disease, and starvation. Animals with more complicated conditions are treated in cooperation with specialists at the UF Small Animal Hospital.

***The
HAARTS Program
has saved the lives of over 1,000
animals since its inception
in 2009.***

How is HAARTS funded?

The program is funded solely by private donations. The number of animals we can help is only limited by the donation dollars we receive.

For more information or to make a contribution,
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