

COMPASSIONATE CARE CLINIC

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For Immediate Release

LOCAL VETERINARIAN TO HOLD *COMPASSIONATE CARE CLINIC* PROVIDING FREE VETERINARY SERVICES FOR DOGS & CATS.

Continued Area Hardship Prompts Clark Road Animal Clinic's First Compassionate Care Clinic.

Sarasota, FL – On Saturday, October 22, 2011 from 9am-1pm, Clark Road Animal Clinic owner Dr. Thom A. Smith is holding the Compassionate Care Clinic to provide free basic veterinary medical services for dogs and cats whose owners have financial need. With support from his vendors and staff, he is hoping to fill his appointments with dogs and cats in true need of fundamental veterinary services. Compassionate Care Clinic is targeting people who have lost their homes, suffered disasters, veterans and others whose financial situations has affected their ability to afford basic veterinary services for their dogs and cats.

Two mandatory documents will be required in advance:

- 1) A signed referral letter** validating need from a social/case worker or clergy member
- 2) Application form**

The application form is available at www.clarkroadanimalclinic.com or by calling Clark Road Animal Clinic at 941-922-5007. Both documents should be sent together and must be received by October 15, 2011. (No late application forms will be accepted.)

The referral letter and application form can be **faxed to Clark Road Animal Clinic at 941-922-3166 or mailed to Clark Road Animal Clinic, 5728 Clark Road, Sarasota, FL 34233.**

Referral letters will be verified before acceptance into the free clinic. Acceptance into the free clinic is not guaranteed. Clark Road Animal Clinic anticipates an overwhelming response and thus not all applications/applicants will be accepted. After verification, registrants will be called and assigned an appointment time. In the case that the registrant cannot accept the assigned appointment time, registration will be forfeited and another registrant will be picked from a lottery of all applicants. Veterinary services will be for routine wellness care only. No sick pets will be seen. No anesthetic procedures, second opinions or radiographs will be provided. The veterinarians and support staff will be donating their time, and the clinic's vendors will be providing donations of goods. All goods and services will be free of charge, although donations are suggested to help pet owners take a vested interest in their pet's healthcare.

For more information about Clark Road Animal Clinic's Compassionate Care Clinic please call Clark Road Animal Clinic at **941-922-5007** or visit www.clarkroadanimalclinic.com.

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