People who live in the Monterey Bay Region are fortunate to be members of a community that truly cares about people and their pets. Below are three non-profit organizations that help financially struggling families, seniors, veterans, and individuals who need help when their pet is ill or injured ... and requires life-saving medical care.

Everyone needs a helping hand once in awhile - please reach out.









www.birchbarkfoundation.org

www.maxshelpingpaws.org

www.peaceofminddogrescue.org

Owner & Pet Residence	Monterey or Santa Cruz Counties	Monterey County	Monterey or Santa Cruz Counties
Pets Covered	Dogs and Cats	Dogs and Cats	Dogs and Cats
Care Covered	Life Saving Medical Care (Stabilization, Diagnostics, Treatment)	Emergent & Urgent Care, Diagnostics & Stabilization	Urgent Veterinary Visit
Not Covered	Preventative Care, Non-life Compromising Illness, Poor Prognosis	Dental Resulting from Neglect, Preventative & Routine Care, Ongoing Care of Previous Condition	Vaccines, Microchipping, Routine Exams, Dentals
Eligibility Requirement	Low Income/Limited Resources	Low Income/Limited Resources	Low Income/Limited Resources
Documentation Needed	Care Credit/Scratch Pay Application, Pay Stub/Bank Statement/Tax Return	ID,Care Credit Result (Pay Stub, Bank Statement or Proof of SSI)	Care Credit Application, SSI, Disability, Income Statement
Maximum Benefit	50% of Costs in Most Cases	\$1,500 in Most Cases	\$500
Owner Contribution	Up to 25%	50% of Treatment \$500 Diagnostic	Sliding Scale
Veterinarian Participation	Must go to BBF Vet Partner (they will discount 25% of bill)	Must go to MHPF Vet Partner	Lower fees available at POMDR Participating Veterinarians
Other Conditions/Restrictions	Pet must be altered or owner must agree to have them altered	Can only apply for assistance once every two years, unless reason noted, must agree to spay/neuter	Can only apply once per year. Pet must be altered or owner must agree to have them altered
Where to Apply	Call 831.471.7912 or contact a BBF Vet Partner at birchbarkfoundation.org/partners	Contact MHPF Vet Partner from list at maxshelpingpaws.org or call 831.704.6473	Call 831.718.9122 or apply online at peaceofminddogrescue.org
Other Services	Loss & Grief Support, Education: Website Blogs, Lecture Series & Organized "Dog walks with a Vet"	Max's Healing Hearts Grief Support Facebook Community facebook.com/maximilliantheminpin	Resource for Senior Dogs and Senior People, including temporary fostering, dog walking, resources