

Keep Animals Safe This 4th of July!

Fireworks may be fun for us, but they are definitely not enjoyable for animals! Dogs, cats, and other animals are terrified by the loud sounds of fireworks. They often try to escape and run away from the noise, resulting in many of them getting lost or injured.



This year, let's make the 4th of July safer together!

Make sure your pet is wearing tags or has a microchip to help it get back home if it runs away. Ask your veterinarian about sedatives if you know your pet is affected by fireworks. Crates can help secure your animal safely in the home and will be available for loan from the Santa Maria Animal Center at 548 West Foster Road.

Please be considerate of our four-legged friends and keep them safe this 4th of July!



FIREWORKS AREN'T FUN FOR EVERYONE

Companion animals can become easily scared from the loud noises of fireworks and are more likely to run away.

Prepare for fast reunification

- 🐾 Collars can break or slip off, but microchips are permanent identifiers as they store your contact information and help finders return your pet
- 🐾 Don't forget: A microchip is not a GPS tracking device, but rather your best chance to reunite your lost pet



Did you know that more pets go missing during firework season than any other time of year?

This year, we've returned over 400 animals home thanks to microchips!

If you know where your pet's microchip is registered, update your contact information there. If you don't know, go to 24PetWatch.com to register for free.



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What is a microchip?

A microchip is a rice-sized radio frequency identification device, that is quickly and painlessly inserted under your pet's skin.

How to microchip your pet:

Contact Santa Barbara County Animal Services to learn more about upcoming microchip clinics or schedule an appointment [HERE!](#)

Interested in a FREE microchip? Please visit our partner's website for upcoming clinics by clicking the FREE microchip button below!

Keep your microchip information up to date!

Keep your contact information up to date with your pet's microchip provider. If you're unsure of your microchip provider, register your pet's microchip number online through 24PetWatch's [microchip portal](#) or by calling 1-866-375-7387. Enhanced protection membership opportunities are available. To learn more, visit 24PetWatch.com.

It's important to ensure that your contact details connected to the microchip are accurate and remain up to date at all times. This is your best chance to help finders reunite you and your lost pet.

FREE Microchips

[English & Spanish Firework Awareness Flyers Available For Print-CLICK HERE!](#)

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