

AWCA

ASSISTANCE FOR COLLIES IN NEED

We at the American Working Collie Association come together from different backgrounds, experiences and lifestyles, unified to aid those collies needing medical treatment. AWCA is dedicated to assist the owners of those collies that have for some dreadful reason, become homeless, neglected, abused or unloved or whose owners have fallen on hard times and cannot afford medical treatment for their collies. AWCA maintains two funds, supported by member donations, to extend financial aid to these collies. You do not need to be a member of our organization to ask for help.

The first fund, our **Collie Rescue Fund**, extends financial assistance to any collie that has come into rescue and is ready to be or has been adopted into a loving home. AWCA distributes funds directly to veterinarians and public animal shelters to help defray the cost of emergency care and treatment for rescued collies in need.

Furthermore, if another recognized collie rescue organization is short of funds and is trying to help a needy Collie, the AWCA Collie Rescue Fund will provide direct payment to the veterinary hospital or public animal shelter to help defray expenses.

Our second fund is the **Compassionate Care Fund** for owned collies. When a collie is in need of veterinary services, but the owner is unable to assume the financial burden, we can help. Again, you don't need to be an AWCA member to qualify for assistance, but you do need to supply a statement of services needed or a bill from your veterinary clinic.

Each case is reviewed by our Director of Collie Rescue and our President, who will then decide how we can help. Our current Director of Rescue is:

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To apply for help, send a copy of the veterinary invoices, a story of the dog, and a photo of the dog, if possible, to the current AWCA Director of Collie Rescue. Your photo and story may be used in a future edition of the *Collie Connection* newsletter so include permission to print the story of your rescued collie.