

## Friends for Life Animal Sanctuary Sponsors Pet Summer Safety Fiesta

**The event, to be held June 27, will feature a microchip clinic and information about summer safety for cats and dogs.**

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Friends for Life Animal Sanctuary will host an open house at its facility in Gilbert, Ariz., on June 27 to promote awareness of summer safety for pets. The Summer Safety Fiesta Open House will run from 6 to 10 p.m. and will include tours of the shelter, refreshments and important tips on how to keep cats and dogs safe this summer. A key feature of the event is a microchip clinic, where volunteers and shelter staff will explain the benefits of microchip identification and will implant microchips for just \$25.

“The sound of fireworks is very stressful for animals. Each year on July 5th, the shelter receives a flood of phone calls from individuals who have found a stray animal, as well as families who have lost an animal that probably escaped from its yard during local fireworks displays. Our goal is to make it as simple as scanning those animals for their microchip in order to contact their families and get them back home,” said Erica Wellman, Friends for Life on-site caregiver. “A microchip is a simple, inexpensive way to identify an animal, even if they have slipped out of their collar.”

For more information about Friends for Life Animal Sanctuary or the Summer Safety Fiesta, visit the group's website.