



In 2014, Lil BUB's BIG Fund for the ASPCA® was created to help special needs pets. 100% of donations from [aspca.org/lilbub](http://aspca.org/lilbub) & Lil BUB promotional activities are distributed as grants by the ASPCA to organizations caring for special needs pets while finding them a home.

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# BIG FUND FOR THE ASPCA®

**In 2018 alone:**  
28 grants approved to  
28 organizations, totaling **\$75,500**

**2014-2018 combined:**  
254 grants awarded to 212 orgs  
totaling **\$427,615**

## Here is a breakdown of the 2018 Lil BUB grants by state:



CA	\$10,000	ME	\$4,000	TX	\$5,000
CO	\$2,500	MO	\$4,500	VA	\$2,500
FL	\$12,000	MT	\$2,500	WA	\$2,500
GA	\$2,500	NY	\$5,000	<b>Grand Total</b>	
IL	\$5,000	OH	\$5,000		<b>\$75,500</b>
KY	\$2,500	OR	\$2,500		
MD	\$5,000	PA	\$2,500		

### Sweetie Pie's Story

**Friends on Manatee County Animal Services**  
*Holmes Beach, FL*

Friends of Manatee County Animal Services was contacted about a stray pit bull who was brought into the county shelter and was still lactating, had a freshly sutured incision, ears crudely cropped, and filed down teeth. Upon examination by shelter staff, an external growth on her left teat was observed and due to her increased anxiety and difficulty in breathing, she was sent to a private veterinarian for x-rays and further examination. Mammary masses were detected throughout the entire right mammary chain. Despite all her medical issues, she was the sweetest dog and was named "Sweetie Pie." Upon securing a foster home outside the shelter, we committed to funding the surgery and treatment to give this girl a second chance at a healthy life. A surgical consultation was set up with Dr. Scott Rose of Veterinary Surgery Center in Sarasota, Florida, and we received an estimate for the removal of her right mammary chain with a lumpectomy on the left teat and mammary gland. Surgery was estimated at \$2,700.00 to \$3,000.00 with a non-profit discount applied. Her surgery was on April 26th and Sweetie Pie recovered very



nicely. All tumors were removed during the 3.5-hour surgery, and clean margins were obtained. Pathology reports indicate mammary carcinoma in the right mammary chain and hemangiosarcoma on the left mammary teat and gland. With her improved health, we are encouraged that she will find a forever home with a loving family where she can live out her life. Without the grant from Lil BUB's Big Fund and the ASPCA, we would not have been able to fully fund her surgery. Thank you for making a difference in her life. We are so grateful for your generosity.



### Gideon's Story

**Pet Project Rescue, Minneapolis, MN**

This grant was used for the care of our long-term foster cat, Gideon, who has Manx Syndrome. The grant allowed us to provide lifesaving care for his bladder issue related to his Manx Syndrome. He developed a blockage due to a birth defect and required around the clock care, surgery, and medication. This grant paid for a large portion of this lifesaving vet care.

Lil BUB's ASPCA grant has allowed Pet Project Rescue to provide life-saving care for our special kitty, Gideon. We are forever grateful for the support we were given!

– *Maia Rumpho, President & Founder*