The 10 Essentials for every Dog and Cat Owner

✓ **A Responsible Pet Owner should always provide…**

____ **1).** A clean **Escape-Proof Enclosure** for their pet with plenty of space to move around and exercise, and compatible playmates.

____ **2).** **Housing** that has three walls and roofing that will protect their pet from wind, rain, and the cold.

____ **3).** An elevated and open-aired structure that will provide **Shade** to their pet from the sun.

____ **4).** Wholesome **Food** daily for their pet or a Veterinarian-recommended diet.

____ **5).** Clean **Water** that should be available to their pet at all times throughout the day.

____ **6).** All **Veterinary Care** needed by their pet, including vaccinations against rabies and other diseases that their pet may be exposed to.

____ **7).** **Grooming** and parasite treatment as needed by their pet.

____ **8).** A **Pet License**, which requires current **Vaccinations** against rabies and a working/registered **Pet Identification Microchip**. Pet Licenses may be obtained from the ASCMV at 3551 Bataan Memorial West, in Las Cruces, NM. Phone number: 575-382-0018.

____ **9).** **Socialization** for their pet to maintain a good temperament.

____ **10).** **Sterilization** for their pet by a veterinarian or maintain an Intact Animal Permit from Animal Control.