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Desex and microchip stray cats for just \$85.

Victoria has an estimated stray cat population of over half a million. Animal welfare experts are concerned at the number of kittens being born into lives of severe disease, neglect and starvation every year.

Unowned cats suffer from poor health, diseases and have a short average life expectancy of around two to three years. They may also be hit by cars and seriously injured or killed. This is unacceptable from an animal welfare perspective.

Semi-owned cats differ from unowned cats in that they are fed by caring people and may be friendlier to humans. However, these semi-owned cats suffer the same illnesses, accidents and outcomes as unowned cats and it is recommended that:

- Semi-owned cats are adopted by the feeder if the person is willing to take full ownership by having the cat desexed and microchipped, or
- These cats are taken to the local animal pound/shelter to be assessed for possible adoption by a new owner.

As part of the "Who's for cats?" animal welfare campaign, The Lost Dogs' Home, RSPCA Victoria, Cat Protection Society, Lort Smith Animal Hospital and Animal Aid will desex and microchip a 'semi-owned' cat at the heavily discounted fee of \$85 (\$65 for pensioners/ Healthcare card holders) for people who are willing to take full ownership of semi-owned cats.

This offer will be current from 1 March to 12 April 2010.

Bookings are essential and the offer will be open to the first 100 applicants at The Lost Dogs' Home. Please call the Home's Clinic on 9329 2755, or one of the other participating animal shelters if you think you qualify as a semi-owner.

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