



The Value of an AWLA Dog Adoption



The following is included with dog adoptions from the Animal Welfare League of Arlington (AWLA). The value indicated is either the price charged by a representative Northern Virginia veterinary hospital or, the lower price charged by AWLA for those services, or products provided to the general public by AWLA.

First veterinary exam (after adoption)	\$55
Spay or neuter surgery (average)	\$160
-related costs (including anesthesia, monitoring, board and medication)	\$150
Distemper, Parvo combo vaccination	\$46
Bordetella vaccination	\$47
Heartworm test	\$34
Dewormer (average)	\$20
Pedicure	\$21
Fecal test (when needed)	\$25
Frontline flea treatment	\$12
Martingale style collar	\$ 7
Identification tag	\$ 6
Microchip (pet recovery ID)	\$25
Board	\$672 *



Total Value **\$1280**

*Adopted adult dogs spend an average of 24 days at AWLA before going to their new homes. (Puppies spend an average of 20 days at AWLA.) Daily board fee at a representative veterinarian is \$28. At a full service kennel, they can exceed \$50. At AWLA, dogs are given behavior evaluations, live in large, sanitary, indoor dog runs, fed a premium quality food and socialized and walked by a combination of staff and volunteers.

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