

Rescue Adoption Education Resource Center

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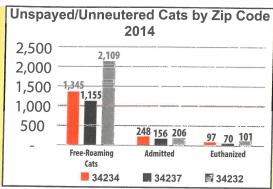




A No-Kill Kitten Season

In 2014, we rescued over 700 kittens and turned the prospect of a no-kill kitten season into a reality in Sarasota, Florida. This year, our goal is to give 800 abandoned kittens a chance at a better life in loving homes. Kitten season has practically become a year-long event—from March through December last year, these furry bundles of joy crossed our threshold.





Live Release Rate

As a no-kill adoption facility, Cat Depot's goal is to help humane organizations reduce and ultimately eliminate euthanasia of friendly, healthy cats and kittens.



FREE Spay/Neuter

Cat Depot has received grant funding to provide FREE spay/neuter services in Sarasota zip codes 34232, 34234 and 34237. All free roaming cats and personal pets of income qualified individuals are eligible. Cat Depot will supply a microchip, FVRCP vaccine (to boost the cat's immune system), rabies vaccine, and Revolution.

Trappers Needed

No experience is necessary; we will train you.



Trap/Neuter/Vaccinate/Return (TNVR)

A female cat can have up to five litters in one year and each litter can produce upwards of six kittens. As early as four months, these kittens will begin to have their own litters. Unsterilized free-roaming cats are the leading cause of cat overpopulation. Simply removing cats from an area of overpopulation will not erase the problem as other cats will take their place as soon as they are removed.



Foster Families

We could not save as many lives as we do without the help of our dedicated foster parents. These life savers provide tiny babies with nourishment, care and love. Under their guidance, these lucky kittens are given the best possible start at life.

Foster Families Are Needed!

We are looking for individuals with compassion, a spare room, and plenty of love to give. Typical foster period is one to eight weeks. Cat Depot will supply training and supplies.

Snuffle Kitties



Cashmere

Dumpster diving for food behind a supermarket is heartbreaking, but it is also quite an athletic endeavor for a three legged senior cat.

Cashmere has weathered many storms and has the scars to prove it. But this "Friends Like Me" kitty needs a kind companion familiar with allergies and willing to encourage more frequent walking. This exceptionally affectionate tuxedo cat loves being held so he can head butt your face with kisses. Soft and warm, inside and out, Cashmere is a partner for life.



Rocky

When Rocky's person became ill, sadly, he was relinquished to Cat Depot. A letter from his family described him as a strong, athletic eight-year-old with lots of spring in his step. Playful and affectionate, he prefers high vantage points, sleeping in a cozy bed, and when stroked, responds with a loud purr. He is declawed and faithfully uses his litter box. A special someone is needed now to help this formerly cherished family member continue to mend and make an emotional comeback.



Mamma

This five-year-old distinctive looking female calico was found seeking shelter under a porch with three other cats. For a brief time, Mamma resided with her rescuer. So now, when her rescuer visits, Mamma sits in her lap and loves being petted. She has developed a strong bond with Mr. Boots and being adopted together would be ideal. All Mamma really needs is a patient companion who understands her and is willing to mother her in return.

Give the Gift of Life

You can leave your legacy on Cat Depot's walls or walkways by purchasing an engraved Paw Print or Brick Paver.
Your name (or a loved one's) will be memorialized and your donation will help cats and kittens go from homeless to homeward bound!

Paw Prints are \$50 each and Brick Pavers are \$100. You can purchase on our website www.catdepot.org or by calling 941.366.2404.



Four Rooms are \$2,500 - \$3,500.



Don't miss this or kitten season and



Torte

Torte, like her name, is a sweet and petite Torti cat that was transferred from another shelter. Being two and a half with an inquisitive personality and time to kill, Torte enjoys being the center of attention. A "Friends Like Me" cat, she is scheduled for cold laser treatments to help alleviate her skin allergies. • Will provide the training Torte adores being carried like a small infant but expect to be seduced when she wraps her legs around your neck and eventually, around your heart.



Adoption Assistant

WE

YOU

Change the lives of homeless cats Contact SueS@catdepot.org or call 941.366.2404



Dakota

Being young has its advantages and Dakota, still under two years of age, is a lively, playful, fun loving party animal. In fact, he enjoys all athletic activities and being a typical male cat, he loves a variety of fun toys. But, this former black and white stray can be equally pleasing to females, sunbathing on the catio or snoozing on a warm, available lap. North or south, Dakota covers all bases, and has lots of fun doing it.

Dr. Kirk's Korner

April 24 was National Hairball Awareness Day who knew?

Cats are fastidious creatures, but with all that grooming comes hair. Normally it passes through the cat's system,



but sometimes it comes back up. This is referred to as a trichobezoar, or hairball. These are formed in the stomach, but can be found in the esophagus. Both long and short hair cats are prone to hairballs and some reports show that 50-80% of cats vomit a hairball once a month. But, continuous, repetitive vomiting of hair (or other material) may represent an underlying issue, and should be addressed by a veterinarian. Petroleum based products and some commercial diets claim to help reduce hairball formation. Brushing will also help reduce unwanted hair and create an enjoyable experience between you and your cat.

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Saving Precious Lives

Every kitten deserves a chance to grow up and each baby admitted to Cat Depot receives the utmost in care, including: Veterinary Exam • FeLV/FIV • Fecal Test/Deworming Treatment • Ear Mite Test/Treatment • Spay/Neuter Surgery • Microchip • Rabies Vaccine • FVRCP Vaccine (initial and 2 boosters) • Revolution (Flea/Tick/Heartworm Preventative) • Kitten Food/Formula for 6 weeks



Opportunity for a Better Life

We are committed to helping homeless cats, one zip code at a time. The three zip codes we are currently serving have some of the largest numbers of homeless cats, and highest euthanasia rates. Sterilizing free roaming cats and income qualified personal pets, will bring us one step closer to ending suffering and euthanasia.



Feeding the Homeless

You can help us feed starving moms and kittens. Cat Depot's Community Food Bank needs 1,500 pounds of dry food and 3,000 cans of wet food every month to meet the demands of homeless cats and income qualified personal pets. The food we donate is often the only nourishment these cats receive. Please make food and cash donations to Cat Depot.



We Will Train

If you can lend a hand, contact Nancy at 941.366.2404 or email her at NancyA@catdepot.org.

Changing Lives

By providing TNVR for free-roaming cats, Cat Depot is changing the destiny of stray cats by preventing overpopulation and subsequent euthanasia of unwanted kittens. Sterilizing feral cats and returning them to their colonies allows them to live out their lives with the protection and assistance of a dedicated caregiver. When TNVR is practiced, free-roaming cat colonies will slowly disappear. So, what is our goal? To make this the third year in a row that no kitten is euthanized for lack of space in Sarasota County.



Life-Giving Support

Foster opportunities: Bottle feeders • Mom and kitten care • Feral mom and kitten care • Kittens eating on their own, but still too small to be adopted

If you can open your heart and home to these bundles of joy, please contact Stacy at 941.366.2404 or send an email to StacyJ@catdepot.org.

"Being a foster parent for Cat Depot is VERY rewarding. Even during heartbreak it is ALWAYS worth it!" – Laura G.

"I've always loved cats and this gives me the opportunity to give them a good start in life so they can be adopted to wonderful families." – Connie S.



Give a Memory your Grandchildren will Remember and Love



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CRITTER

Your kids will love Critter Camp!

Cats, dogs, horses and other furry, feathered and 4-footed friends

Critter Camp Sessions

Monday through Friday • 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

June 15-19: 8-10 years old June 22-26: 11-12 years old July 6-10: 13-14 years old

Call to Register—941.366.2404 or Visit www.catdepot.org



Laser Therapy Presentation

Dr. Stephanie Lantry, of Animal Medical Clinic of Gulf Gate, will provide a FREE seminar on Thursday, June 4, 6 p.m. at Cat

Depot's Education & Activity Center.

Laser therapy is a non-invasive treatment to reduce pain, inflammation and speed up healing for postsurgical pain and many acute and chronic conditions such as arthritis, gingivitis, wound healing, muscle strain and acute injuries.

Join us for this exciting presentation!
RSVP: Lena Hernandez 941.366.2404 or LenaH@catdepot.org

Understanding Your Cat's Behavior



Don't miss behaviorist Conni Borwick reveal the truths about your cat's behavior.

Saturday, June 27, 1 p.m. at Cat Depot's Education & Activity Center.

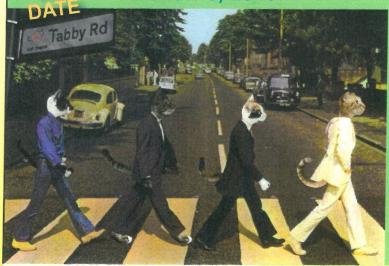
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Our biggest fundraiser of the year!!

Tuesday, September 1, from noon through
Wednesday, September 2, until noon
Get ready for the 24-hour challenge that will change
the destiny of homeless cats this year.

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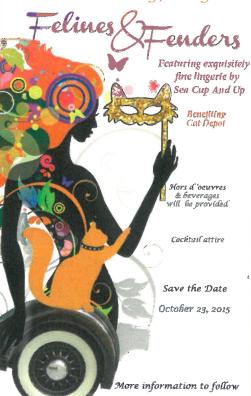


Coming this Fall

You won't want to miss

this fabulous show!

October 23, 2015





Summer Volunteer Classes

Volunteer Orientation

June 6, 1 p.m. June 9, 4 p.m. July 11, 1 p.m. July 21, 4 p.m. August 1, 1 p.m. August 18, 4 p.m.

Foster Parent Class

June 7, 11 a.m. August 12, 5:30 p.m.

Leash Walking Class

June 13, 1 p.m. August 8, 1 p.m.

Adoption Assistant Training

June 20, 1 p.m. August 15, 1 p.m.