



The Scratching Post—Furry Friends

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Dear Friend of Furry Friends,

I'm writing to ask for your support of Furry Friends in our mission to rescue homeless cats in Clark County that would otherwise be euthanized. Now in its 12th year, Furry Friends is the primary no-kill organization in Clark County for homeless cats that have been relinquished due to their owners' illness, death or financial difficulties. Every cat we foster is spayed or neutered, micro-chipped, and vaccinated before they are adopted out.

2011 was a very successful year for Furry Friends. In the first 9 months we adopted out 152 cats to forever homes; spayed/neutered 157 pets, primarily cats; held adoption events; and continued our senior visit/pet therapy program in retirement homes. We also initiated a prison outreach program where interested inmates are given the opportunity to foster our cats. Our annual auction was a huge success, and we look forward to expanding it this coming year to a more public venue. However, we still need your financial support. Please help us continue our mission by placing your donation in the enclosed envelope.

Thank you for the opportunity to enlist your support for Furry Friends. We look forward to a mutually beneficial, long-term relationship.

Sincerely,

David A. Cox, President
Furry Friends Executive Committee

We're Going Paperless!

Check our website
WWW.FURRYFRIENDSWA.ORG



The most wonderful thing happened to me! No, not quite getting to my forever home, but closer! Some nice person donated \$40 just for ME. Now my adoption fee is only \$40. Aren't you people wonderful? Thank you so very much!

New Project for our Cats

Furry Friends and Larch Corrections Center have entered into an agreement to start a program where inmates will work with Furry Friends' cats to make them more suitable for adoption. The offenders must fill out an application and be screened as they will be constant companions to the cats. They will also be taught proper grooming, feeding, and clean up with behavior basics being taught along the way. The inmates will be building an outside enclosure large enough to allow cats to run, climb, and lay in the shade or grass; with a bench for the handler to sit comfortably. The cats will be controlled via harnesses and leashes or be in a cat carrier at all times and housed in designated two-man rooms - and given a bed, toys, litter box, food and water. The offenders will have the first choice of adoption of these cats and encourage family participation.

If you are interested in becoming a part of this program, please let us know by leaving a message via email or phone 360.993.1097.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Furry Friends is looking for reliable volunteers of all ages to help carry out our mission to rescue homeless cats. The activities include phone work, adoption events, fostering kittens, and pet therapy/senior visits. These opportunities are perfect for individuals or families who want to make a difference in their community. If you are interested in volunteering, please call us at 360-993-1097 or download a volunteer application from our website at furryfriendswa.org.

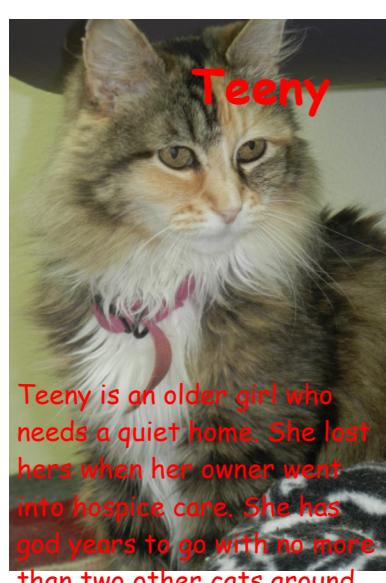
WE ARE ON FACEBOOK!

Come visit us!

FURRY FRIENDS WASHINGTON

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Return Service Requested

Furry Friends Volunteers: Save the date and time of February 7, 2012 at 5:30 PM for our annual Volunteer Appreciation Party! More details to follow later.



Furry Friends was awarded three spay/neuter grants this year from Clark County Animal Control, the Petco Foundation and the Handsel Foundation. These grants are allowing us to spay/neuter approximately 100 cats more than we have been able to do in the past, thus reducing the overall population in Clark County.

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FURRY FRIENDS
A non-profit 501C3 organization
Enclosed is a contribution in the amount of
\$ _____
Tax deductible to the fullest extent of the Law
Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Please apply my donation to one or more causes:
____ General fund for necessary expenses
____ Education
____ Pet Food and Supplies
____ Medical Bills Spay/Neuter Costs

Give Your Pet a healthier life!
Low Cost Spay & Neuter Options: JAWS 360-693-8521; POPPA, Inc 503-626-4070; Spay/Today 503-441-1212; Animal Aid 503-292-6628; FCCO 503-797-2606; SNAP 503-285-7722 ext. 25; Dr. Wayne Martin/Wilco 360-687-3456; Spay & Save 503/802-6755

Furry Friend's Wish List
Natural Balance canned and kibble cat food, Barn Dry for litter, Kitten Milk Replacement, 13 gal. garbage bags, liquid laundry soap, Clorox bleach, used vehicles for resale