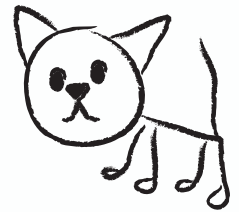


Furry Friends

Helping homeless and abused cats

www.FurryFriendswa.org



About Furry Friends

WHO WE ARE

Furry Friends is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit no-kill cat rescue serving Clark County, Washington and adjacent counties. Founded in 1999, we are an organization that rescues and then adopts out homeless, relinquished, and abused cats. We shelter and care for them as long as it takes to find them forever homes.

We have adopted approximately 635 cats and kittens for 2023 which is a record for us. Without our help, and the help of our supporters, many of these cats would have been euthanized, left on the streets to fend for themselves, or continued to over-populate the community with kittens.

While only having three employees Furry Friends is also supported by more than 150 community volunteers who come from diverse backgrounds to contribute their time, skills, and talents for the cats. There is also a team of active volunteer board members. In 2023, our volunteers donated over 40,000 hours of service.

OUR MISSION

The Mission of Furry Friends is to help homeless, relinquished and abused cats by:

- Spaying or neutering.
- Providing medical care and foster homes until permanent placement of these cats into safe, nurturing homes.
- Educating the public regarding the care and responsibility of cat ownership.
- Collaborating with other pet rescue and companion groups to accomplish a no-kill status in the State of Washington.

THE CATS WE CARE FOR

We regularly house 28-35 adult cats in our

Vancouver shelter, which we lovingly refer to as our Halfway House. We always say our shelter is the least shelter like shelter around as the cats get entire rooms and catios to get some safe outside time. It is their home for while we have them and we take pride in making it feel like one. The rest of the cats under our care are housed in foster homes. Kittens under 6 months are always cared for in foster homes so they have 24/7 monitoring and socializing. At any given time we could have 150 kittens in various foster homes. We also provide care and supplies for approximately 15 senior and/or medically-fragile cats that we have placed in permanent foster homes. These kitties are harder to adopt and we believe that they deserve to spend whatever time they have left in a loving home while being provided the best medical care possible. We do not disclose the physical location of the shelter/ Halfway House to the general public. This prevents animals from being abandoned on our doorstep and then we can ensure we are giving adoptions the quality time each cat deserves.

HOW TO ADOPT FROM US

Members of the public can see the cats on our website (furryfriendswa.org) and if interested in adopting, they can fill out our adoption application. Once approved a meet & greet is scheduled. Our adoption team has flexible hours and the public can usually meet the cat very quickly. We also do "pop-up" adoption events at various locations around town, such as: All Natural Pet Supply, Wilco, and PetSmart. At these events our volunteers and staff stay with the kitties and they are only there for a handful of hours. We never want our cats or kittens to be stressed trying to get them adopted. Before the kittens go to their new home they have their vaccines, dewormer, flea prevention, microchipping, and are spayed or neutered. We cared for about 450 kittens in 2023, each one costing Furry Friends between \$400 and \$800 to care for their medical and physical needs.

Provided Medical Care

Every cat taken in by Furry Friends has a thorough health check performed by our medical team. This can include blood testing for FIV/FelV if warranted (we always recommend re-testing 30 days after adoption as these infections can take 30 days to show up on tests), vaccinations, treatment for fleas/mites/worms, microchipping, nail trims, general wellness exams, sanitary trims, and any other necessary medications/treatments specific to each cat or kittens care needs. Our veterinary partners provide additional vaccinations, spay/neuter, and non-routine procedures that our trained medical team cannot perform (e.g., dental work, X-rays, surgeries, etc).

How We Are Funded

Furry Friends depends entirely on private donations, business sponsorships, fundraising events, and grants to finance an annual operating budget of approximately \$400,000. We have many fundraising events throughout the year. Our online spring auction, Give big, our in-person fall auction, giving Tuesday, and many other smaller fundraisers. Our fall auction makes up approximately 30% of our yearly budget. We are not city, state, or government funded.

How We Allocate Funds

As a no-kill cat shelter, we spend a large portion of our budget on medical care (e.g., spay/neuter, checkups, surgeries, medication). For 2023 our medical expenses were about \$175,000 and our food and litter expenses were around \$70,000 to care for approximately 640 cats and kittens.

Throughout the years and with strong leadership we have done much research and dedicated time into refining processes and strengthening partnerships to become more efficient enabling us to take on as many cats that we financially, emotionally, and physically can care for. In previous years we spent the above amount to take care of half as many cats. Every dollar is treated with the utmost care and thought to benefit the cats and the community.

Our Goals

- Strengthen our volunteer base to continue to provide excellent care and get our mission out there.
- Start a Trappers Assistance Program to help reduce the number of cats being born outside.
- Expand the Halfway House within the next two years to include a surgical suite so we can perform spay/neuter operations on site with our many amazing veterinarian partners!
- Continue educating the public on why our services are so needed and important.
- Strengthen our partnerships with the community and veterinary community to overall raise shelter standards.

Our Staff

We have only three paid employees. These three dedicated people put in much more time than their paid hours. Jenn Hutchman is our Executive/Medical Director and is paid for a 40 hour week. She also fosters our critical care cats/kittens, volunteers two days a week at the spay/neuter clinic, is a shift lead on one of our cleaning shifts, and volunteers at all of our adoption events. She believes leadership should be involved from start to finish helping in all roles within the organization, from scooping litter pans to running the organization. You can often hear her saying, "Rescue is not a 9 to 5 job. The animals are still out there and need help even after 5pm."

Tanika Campbell is our full-time General Manager. On top of all her paid duties she also is one of our main kitten fosters and takes on medical adult cases. She is always on the look out for good deals on supplies for the shelter and even will drive quite the distance on her days off to pick something up to save us those donor dollars. She has the "If I can, I will" mentality when it comes to animal rescue!

Jazmynn Hoffman is our longest employee and House Manager. She also helps out the cleaning shifts, volunteers multiple days at the spay/neuter clinic, and is a valuable support system for our volunteers at all hours of the day.



How we give back to the community

Education. We publish cat education stories for the public as a way of educating them about the best ways to care for their own cats and the feral cats in our community. We have posted over 260 stories on our blog on The Columbian Newspaper's website from November 2015 through January 2023. Cat Tale stories are written by award winning writer and Furry Friends volunteer Nomi Berger. <http://blogs.columbian.com/cat-tales/>

Pet Resource Page. We have a pet resource page on our website itemizing organizations that can help the community with spay/neuter, pet food, and medical assistance that can be found at: <http://furryfriendswa.org/pet-resources/>.

Cat Food Pantry

Sometimes the difference between keeping your cat or having to relinquish them can be not having the means for a few months worth of food. One of our Furry Friends missions is to help keep pets in their homes through temporary hardships by supplying food. All food has been donated to Furry Friends. You can also reach us on our Furry Friends Washington Pet Pantry Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/FurryFriendsWashingtonPetPantry/>. We can also help supply food for feral colonies.

Peace of Mind. Many of the cats we take in are from the elderly, who move into assisted living and can't take their cat with them. Other cats are relinquished by people who have fallen on hard times or by those in the military who are deployed to another country. These situations are stressful for the cat owner, especially when many of them have had the cat since it was a kitten and consider it a family member. They have peace of mind when they find out about our good reputation, how we love the cats, and how careful we are at placing them in the right forever home.

Emotional Support. Some of our volunteers have anxiety or medical issues. Their health and well-being are much improved when they are around the cats;

taking care of the cats makes them feel they have a purpose in life.

Pet-Less Residents. Many of our volunteers are pet less due to their living conditions or low economic status. Being able to interact with the shelter cats gives them the "fix" that they are unable to achieve otherwise.

Feral Cat Colonies. We schedule volunteers to feed and care for colonies located in Vancouver area.

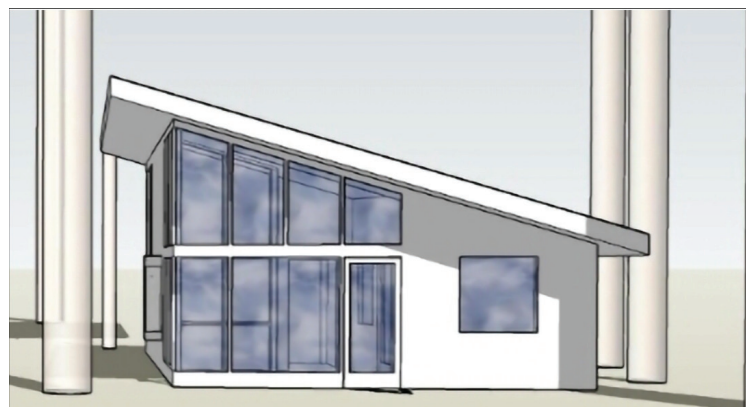
Furry Friends Fur-Ever Adoption Stories

We are so happy when one of our kitties is adopted into their perfect home. We post adoption stories written by Nomi Berger every other Sunday to our Furry Friends website and Facebook page. You can check them out at <http://furryfriendswa.org/category/adoptions/>

New Medical Building Coming 2025

We are happy to announce after much planning and coordination with the city we have been approved to begin the process of building a new medical facility on the Furry Friends property! We are all elated that this project can become a reality in the next few years! We have new programs we are excited to roll out at a future date in conjunction with this project we cannot share yet, but let's just say this will be a dream come true for the cats in the community! If you would like to be apart of this amazing new development please contact us at information@furryfriendswa.org.

We CAN build this together!



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About Furry Friends



A letter from our Executive Director Jenn Hutchman



As the end of the year quickly approaches, I find myself very thankful to be serving such a dedicated and responsible non-profit as their Executive/Medical Director. Whether it has been collaborating with the board, our staff, our community partners/Vet-

erinarians, rescue partners, our volunteers, or our supporters, I am fortunate to be in the company of such compassionate and amazing people. It is truly inspiring to watch so many of us come together for the one common goal of saving cats!

What a year 2023 has been so far! With our numbers steadily climbing year by year we have gotten more creative with fundraising and brainstorming on how we can make the biggest impact and contribution in helping our feline friends and the community. This has led to the creation of some new programs, with some already implemented and some still in the planning phases. These programs are in conjunction with our main mission, which is to help find homes for the abandoned, the abused, and the injured. Some of these programs are:

Keep Me In My Home



Keep me in my home program: helps kitties with vet care when they are facing euthanasia or relinquishment due to a medical need but would thrive better staying in their loving home. We work with a few Veterinarians who refer kitties to us for this program who already qualify.



Furry Friends Pet Pantry: helps feed over 100 kitties a month solely on donated food! We also support many feral cat colonies.



Trappers Assistance Program

Our new TAP (Trappers Assistance Program) is set to roll out in 2024! This program will assist local trappers in having the supplies and funding they need to continue to TNR (Trap, Neuter/Spay, Return) community and feral cats.



Hoarding Specialists



Hoarding Specialists: helps people who find themselves with too many cats to financially, medically, physically, and mentally care for.

***Queen program:** When someone ends up with an unexpected litter of kittens the queen program makes sure all the kittens and mom get the medical care they need and once the kittens are adopted and the mom is spayed the original owner can then adopt the mom cat back.





Furry Friends Programs



Programs we offer:

*In addition to adoption/
relinquishment services



- *Pet Pantry
- *Keep me in my home
- *Trapper Assistance Program (TAP)
- *Queen Program
- *Neonatal Services
- *Hoarding Services



Neonatal program - caring for kittens under 6 weeks old that for one reason or another end up motherless. These kittens need bottle fed or even tube fed every 2 hours around the clock. This program saves over 100 kittens a year!

After Adoption Assistance



After Adoption Assistance: we are dedicated to keeping kitties in their new homes and offer the support and resources to our adopters to do that. We are careful to try to match up the perfect cat with the perfect person.



Chips Littermates



Chips littermates (rolling out spring 2024!): dedicated volunteers clean up litter/garbage in areas where strays live or are frequently found. When cats have no food supply they will eat things they shouldn't and it can kill them. We want to help keep their environments clean and litter free. This program is being started in memory of Chip who was dumped at a lake and got into some poisonous garbage, unfortunately he came to us too late to be saved.

This is just a quick overview of some of our new and future programs more information will be announced at later dates. How exciting! We anticipate ending this year with the highest adoption numbers in the history of our organization. This has been accomplished without compromising the quality care each kitty receives from us and not straying from our values. With our dedicated fosters and adoption teams each kitty gets hand chosen for their adopters and the homes that will best fit the cats and the new owner's needs. We pride ourselves on treating each cat as the individuals they are! How lucky are we to be part of this process?

2024 is going to be another exciting year as we prepare for the construction of our new medical building! More information to come but this is going to be a game changer for the kitties in Clark County! I could go on and on about how amazing everyone involved with Furry friends is because I mean it, we have the very best supporters! I hope this letter finds you safe and snuggled up with your favorite feline and thank you for your unwavering support of Furry Friends!

Sponsorship Packages and What's Included

Tuxedo Premier Sponsorship

5,000+ one-time donation for the calendar year

- Your company name and logo on our website with a link to your website
- Your company name in our electronic newsletters & pamphlets handed out at all of our events
- Company name & logo included on a sponsorship banner used at all of our events
- Two complimentary tickets to the fall auction
- Your company name on auction promotions
- Your company name on auction news releases and select social media promotions
- Full page advertisement in the auction program
- Your company signage displayed at the auction
- Acknowledgement of your business during our auction speeches
- Can include branded business items in auction swag bags
- Information about your business in our adoption packets



Tabby Platinum Sponsorship

\$2,500 one-time donation for the calendar year

- Your company name and logo on our website with a link to your website
- Two complimentary tickets to the fall auction
- Your company name on auction promotions
- Your company name on auction news releases and select social media promotions & in pamphlets we hand out at our events
- Half page advertisement in the auction program
- Company name & logo included on a sponsorship banner used at all of our events
- Can include branded business items in auction swag bags
- Your company signage displayed at the auction
- Acknowledgement of your business during the speech at the auction
- Information about your business in our adoption packets



Calico Gold Sponsorship

\$1,250 one-time donation for the calendar year

- Your company name and logo on our website with a link to your website
- One complimentary ticket to the fall auction
- Your company name on auction promotions
- One-fourth page advertisement in the auction program
- Acknowledgement of your business at the auction
- Can include branded business items in auction swag bags
- Your company signage displayed at the auction
- Information about your business in our adoption packets



Silver Sponsorship

\$750 one-time donation for the calendar year

- Your company name and logo on our website with a link to your website
- One complimentary ticket to the auction
- Your company name on auction promotions
- One-eighth page advertisement in the auction program
- Acknowledgement of your business at the auction
- Can include branded business items in auction swag bags
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Mailing Address: 6715 NE 63rd Street, Suite 450, Vancouver, WA 98661

Physical address is not published, call for an appointment.

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Sponsorship Advertising

When you become a sponsor, you will receive advertisement space
in our annual auction program.

Tuxedo Premier Sponsorship - \$5,000+ one-time donation for the calendar year receives a
Full page advertisement in auction program (7.5" wide x 8.5" tall)

Tabby Platinum Sponsorship - \$2,500 one-time donation for the calendar year receives a
Half page advertisement in auction program (7.5" wide x 4.25" tall)

Calico Gold Sponsorship - \$1,250 one-time donation for the calendar year receives a
One-fourth page advertisement in auction program (3.75" wide x 4.25" tall)

Red Silver Sponsorship - \$750 one-time donation for the calendar year receives a
One-eighth page advertisement in auction program (3.75" wide x 2.125" tall)

You are welcome to submit your own
advertisement or we can create one for you.

If you are providing the advertisement,
please submit a PDF no later than August 10th.

If we are creating one for you,
please submit your copy, logo and/or graphics
to news@furryfriendswa.org no later than August 1st.
You will be shown a proof and can request changes at that time.

Tuxedo Premier Sponsorship - \$5000+ one-time donation for the calendar year receives a
This is the size of a Full page ad in the auction program. Ad size is 7.5" wide x 8.5" tall



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