

# THE NEWS

## Online News for all the Friends of Furry Friends July 2021

Furry  
Friends



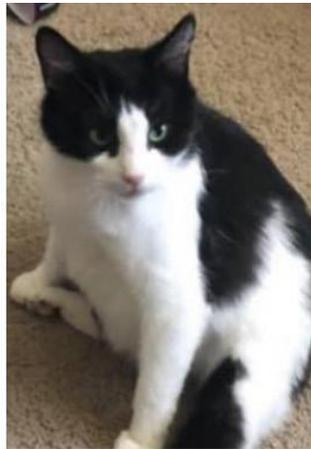
*Helping homeless and abused cats*

Dear Friends,

We currently have 129 cats and kittens in our care. About 90 of those are kittens and they are almost at the adoption age. We will be very busy with their spay/neuter operations and adoptions. Thank you to everyone for making this organization run so smoothly.



Dove



Milkshake



Trax



Spiget

### **Adoptions**

We adopted out 15 cats and kittens from May 24 to June 15. Congratulations to Casanova, Dove, Figgy, Janx, Jelly Bean, Jinx, Jupiter, Lola, Milkshake, Mizar, Purr, Qiyana, Spiget, Trax and Zelda.



**Prince**

Prince, the Wonder Cat, is well on the way to recovery after a frightening experience in his young life, thanks to the generous contributions from our donors, sponsors, and community partners. This 8-week-old kitten suffered a crush injury which caused a diaphragmatic hernia. Surgery with a great prognosis cost thousands of dollars, but the other alternative was euthanasia. We wanted to give this kitten a fighting chance at another 20 years! He made it through surgery and is now recovering. He had a little suture reaction that caused some inflammation and pain, so he got his sutures out June 12 and is on a pain med and antibiotics. The surgeon said he will need another month of recovery before he can start his vaccines. His future is bright!



*By Jenn Hutchman*

Paris Woods is one of our Furry Friends medical team volunteers who has been volunteering every Sunday since Sept 2020. She also likes to come in and socialize with the cats that need some extra attention.

When asked what her favorite part of volunteering was she said it's seeing all the kittens when they come in for their medical checks. So many cute kittens!

At home she has two cats, a dog, and a corn snake. She also works at a body piercing and tattoo shop, Euphoria, in the Vancouver Mall. Her ultimate career goal is to go to school to become a vet tech. I'm sure all of her experience volunteering on the med team will lend a hand towards that goal!

READ MORE HERE: <https://furryfriendswa.org/furry-friends-spotlight-on-paris-woods/>



## Spotlight on Nichole White

*By Jenn Hutchman*

Nichole White has volunteered with Furry Friends since 2019. She got involved by signing her daughter up to volunteer and decided she wanted to volunteer herself.

Nichole is the shift leader for our Monday evening cleaning and care shift. When asked what she does during her shift, she said, “When I come in and before I leave, I do a full inventory of the cats at the shelter. I am always spending time with the kitties that need special attention. I pay close attention if they are eating and using the bathroom properly. I rely heavily on my team to tell me if they notice anything out of the ordinary and then make notes about it and pass the information along to the proper people. I clean and organize a lot at the halfway house. I make sure everything that needs to be done is done before leaving. I am also available most of the time if I am needed to come in and help.”

She currently spends 3-6 hours a week volunteering and is always up for extra work when asked. Many times she has spent her evenings making sure a cat is eating, even hand feeding when necessary. Her proudest moment as a volunteer involved syringe feeding a cat that was sick, and still seeing the love in the cat’s eyes for her. Her favorite part about volunteering is working with the cats that need a little extra attention and watching them really grow socially.

READ MORE HERE: <https://furryfriendswa.org/furry-friends-spotlight-on-nichole-white/>

**FurryFriends ONLINE Auction**



**Meowy Pawpins**

**2021**  
A Benefit for  
Furry Friends,  
Our 13<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Online Auction

*Save the Date*

*September  
15 to 18*

View Items Ahead of Time  
*[https://www.  
32auctions.com/MeowyPawpins2021](https://www.32auctions.com/MeowyPawpins2021)*

**Fall Meowy Pawpins Auction**

This year's auction will be online, **September 15 to 18**. Check out the auction site at <https://www.32auctions.com/MeowyPawpins2021>. We will add items up until auction day.

For the next several months we will focus on securing big ticket items and smaller items and/or baskets worth at least \$40. It is never too early to start planning for this event. We would like your help in either providing auction items or soliciting businesses for items.

We have a wish list on AmazonSmile of items we hope to acquire for the Furry Friends Meowy Pawpins online auction September 15 to 18. Please take a look and see if there is anything you would like to donate to the auction. All funds raised go to the care and housing of the cats.

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2U8IJMWPk1TJ4?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2U8IJMWPk1TJ4?ref=wl_share)

**Procurement Questions: Lisa Baxter [auction@furryfriendswa.org](mailto:auction@furryfriendswa.org)**

**Auction Questions: Chris Nash [ffauction@icloud.com](mailto:ffauction@icloud.com)**

**Sponsorship Information: Diane Stevens [news@furryfriendswa.org](mailto:news@furryfriendswa.org)**

Look for our Furry Friends article in the June 30<sup>th</sup> Reflector Newspaper. You can visit it online at <https://www.thereflector.com/>

**GIVE  
MORE  
24** 

**SOUTHWEST  
WASHINGTON'S  
DAY TO GIVE**

*Powered by the Community Foundation*



Furry Friends will Participate in Give More 24 on September 23.

This one-day fundraiser will have a goal of raising \$10,000 for the unexpected, extraordinary medical expenses of cats in our care. Give More 24, an annual event, will be held all day **Thursday, September 23**. Furry Friends is committed to providing the best possible medical care for the cats we rescue before they are placed in their forever homes. Most of the cats just need shots and neutering, but sometimes they require dental work or expensive surgery. Last year we spent over \$100,000 on medical treatment alone!

<p><b>Furry Friends CAT FOOD Pantry</b></p>		<p><b>Furry Friends</b>  <i>Helping homeless and abused cats</i></p>
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### **Cat Food Pantry**

Sometimes the difference between keeping your cat or having to relinquish them can really be not having the means for a few months' food. One of our Furry Friends missions is to help keep pets in their homes through temporary hardships.

If this is the case for you and you need help with temporary cat food, please email [information@furryfriendswa.org](mailto:information@furryfriendswa.org) and we will see if our new Cat Food Pantry can help!

**\*\*All food has been donated to us and we cannot guarantee specific brands. Hurry while supplies last\*\***

Furry Friends Washington Pet Pantry

<https://www.facebook.com/FurryFriendsWashingtonPetPantry/>

## Ongoing Resources

- **Volunteer Facebook Page** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/534750527361316/>  
This is a different page than our public Facebook page.
- **Foster Facebook Page** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/668989080549946/>
- **Public Facebook Page** <https://www.facebook.com/furryfriendswa> We post daily news to this page.
- **FF YouTube Channel**  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChfBIX6lOMIEseSxK9f27dw/videos>
- **FF T-Shirts & Merchandise** <https://www.teepublic.com/user/furryfriends>
- **FF Twitter account** <https://twitter.com/furryfriendswa>
- **FF Instagram account** <https://www.instagram.com/furryfriendswa/>
- **Fundraising Ideas** <https://bit.ly/FFFundraisingSurvey> submit idea you may have.
- **Drop off location for items:**
  - **Woodin' You Pampered Paws**, 13305 NE Hwy 99 #102, Vancouver, WA 98686, is a fabulous pet care store located in Salmon Creek. The store is open Monday-Friday from 9am-7pm and Saturday from 9am-6pm. They will accept things for us during the pandemic.

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**The Executive Committee:** This board is the governing body responsible for the operation of Furry Friends. Members are all volunteers and meet once a month. Feel free to contact any member of the committee if you have questions, comments or suggestions at [information@furryfriendswa.org](mailto:information@furryfriendswa.org) or leave a message at (360) 993-1097.

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