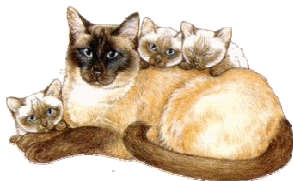


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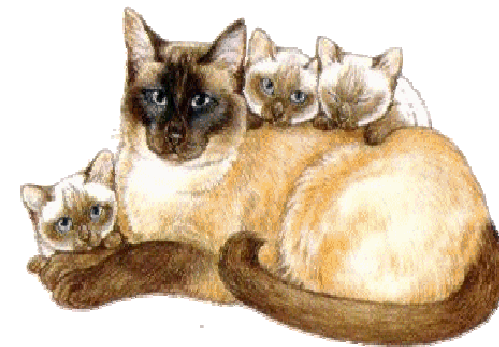
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A Resource For Caretakers and
friends of stray and feral cats

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What is a Feral Cat?

A feral cat is any cat too wild or not socialized enough to be kept in a typical indoor home.

Many feral cats are former house cats that have been abandoned or that have gotten lost. Others are born “in the wild” and have become part of the urban landscape.

Wild animals do not belong in animal shelters or indoor homes. They are not candidates for adoption, as they are not socialized to humans. Since feral cats are closer to wildlife and do not seek human companionship, it is kinder to let them roam freely. As a community, we have an ethical responsibility to address the problem we created.

Project Snip & Clip’s Mission is

To protect animals and residents with compassion for all living creatures, by reducing stray and feral (wild) cat over population through the non-lethal method of Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR), not trap and kill.

How You Can Help the Cat

Project Snip & Clip will train you to become a caretaker. As a caretaker, you will learn how to stop the unchecked breeding of the cats with Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) and how to improve the quality of their lives and minimize nuisance behavior through proper Cat Colony Management.

Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) Stops the Breeding

Unowned, stray and feral (wild) cats are humanely trapped, evaluated, vaccinated and sterilized by the veterinarian. We encourage people to make efforts to use the resources of adoption organizations to attempt to place tame cats and kittens into homes. Cats too wild to be adopted are returned to their familiar habitat.

TNR is not an endorsement to abandon your pet cat.

An experienced volunteer can be paired with you if you need hands-on assistance with the TNR process.

Cat Colony Management

Reduces Nuisance Behaviors

- Feral cats, like many wild animals, band together around food sources or shelter in groups or colonies. Such groups can create nuisances and generate complaints of smells, noise and property damage. Cat Colony Management, along with TNR, address these problems.
- Cat Colony Management requires long-term care by caretakers. This includes providing regular food, water and shelter in areas selected to minimize nuisance and away from areas where the cats are not welcome.
- One key to successful and safe Cat Colony Management is long-term, ongoing monitoring to ensure that any newcomer cats are sterilized and colony management guidelines are maintained. Properly managed cat colonies should be good neighbors and over time, diminish in size by natural attrition.
- SNC serves as a mediator, educator and resource to help caretakers manage their colony effectively and in a way that promotes harmony between feral cat caretakers, property owners and animal care and control officers.

Protecting Stray and Feral Cats

If you witness any cat that is subject to cruelty, abuse, neglect, poisoning or torture, report the incident immediately to your local animal control/police department.

How to Get Help

To schedule an appointment and/or receive trapping assistance, please call the SNC appointment line at (734)461-9458

Benefits of TNR

- When a healthy colony of spayed/neutered cats occupies a territory, it maintains a stable population in the area and diminishes naturally over time.
- When stray and feral cats are vaccinated, they no longer become likely carriers of diseases to other cats.

Benefits of Colony Management

- Colony management reduces common nuisance complaints of free-roaming cats.
- When the cats are provided with fresh food and clean water on a regular basis, they are healthier and have no need to dump trash cans in search of food.
- When the cats are provided with adequate shelter, they are less likely to crawl up into cars or under decks to find warmth on frigid days.
- Cats can be kept out of gardens and cars by using humane deterrents. Humane tips and deterrents are available at www.scamat.com
- When you care for stray and feral cats, you set an example to others on how to humanely care for all animals that are part of our community.

Veterinary Care

Every free-roaming cat treated by SNC receives the following:

- Spay/neuter surgery (including antibiotic and pain control medication applied at time of surgery)
- Rabies vaccination
- Basic wellness check, including ear and eye cleaning and treatment of minor wounds
- Eartip: a painless surgical procedure that removes a small portion of the left ear. The eartip serves as a permanent id.