



Community Cat Program

Community cats are the unowned stray or feral (unsocialized) cats who live outdoors in our neighborhoods with or without a particular caretaker. The humane practice of Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) coupled with proper feeding, shelter and on-going health monitoring stops the unchecked breeding of the cats, improves their lives and allows the colony to diminish naturally over time. This results in happier cats and neighbors, and keeps cats out of our city shelter.

At FACE Low Cost Animal Clinic we are happy to provide services to community cats and their caretakers. We are a non-profit, low cost clinic and our resources are limited. We encourage you to work with other designated animal welfare organizations or Indianapolis Animal Care Services (IACS) in the event that we are not equipped to assist with your needs.

Community Cat Care Guidelines

1. Reasonable attempts will be made to fix all the cats in the colony, even those that visit sporadically. They will be fixed, eartipped for identification, vaccinated for rabies, and returned to their familiar habitat.
2. Provide adequate food and water for the cats on a daily basis as appropriate.
3. Provide adequate shelter for the number of cats in the colony if needed.
4. Ensure that any cats that are injured or ill receive prompt treatment.
5. If you are moving or can no longer adequately care for your colony, contact Indianapolis Animal Care Services (IACS) to assist with identifying alternate caretakers or options.
6. Help community cats maintain a good neighbor status. Make reasonable efforts to work with FACE, IACS, or other designated animal welfare organizations to resolve nuisance concerns.
7. Report acts of neglect, cruelty, abandonment, or abuse directed against any cat(s) to the Mayor's Action Center at (317) 327-4622.



These guidelines are in accordance with Indianapolis Animal Care Services. Failure to properly care for community cats can exclude you from our program, and may result in enforcement action from Indianapolis Animal Care Services.

Questions? Contact us at communitycats@faceanimalclinic.org or call 317-638-3223 ext. 113.

Additional Community Cat Resources

Spay/Neuter & Trap-Neuter-Return Assistance

- Animal Welfare Center – (317) 602-3424 Ext.150
 - 456 N Holmes Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46222
- Low Cost Spay Neuter Clinic – (317) 706-0537 or www.lowcostspayneuterindiana.org
 - 1721A Pleasant St, Noblesville IN 46060
- Low Cost Spay Neuter Clinic – (317) 852-0537 or www.lowcostspayneuterindiana.org
 - 409 N Green St, Brownsburg, IN 46112

Adoption Assistance

- ReTails - (317) 536-3227 or www.retailsindy.org
- Southside Animal Shelter - (317) 781-0755 or www.ssasi.org
- Alliance for Responsible Pet Ownership (ARPO) - (317) 774-8292 or www.adoptarpo.org
- Humane Society of Indianapolis - (317) 872-5650 or www.indyhumane.org

Pet Food Pantry

- F.I.D.O. – (317) 331-1314
 - 1505 Sherman Dr. Indianapolis IN 46201
 - Open the first Saturday of each month from 10am-4pm

Winter Shelters / Feeding Station Assistance

- Andrea Estes (IACS Volunteer Cat Shelter Coordinator) – andyestes9@aol.com

Lost & Found Pets

- Indy Lost Pet Alert – www.IndyLostPetAlert.com

To receive help from IACS, you may call the Mayor's Action Center (MAC Line) during normal business hours at (317) 327-4622. After hours, on weekends, or on holidays, you may call the police non-emergency line at (317) 327-3811. You can also email their community cat coordinator at lisa.tudor@indy.gov.

IACS also provides a Facebook page for networking and education purposes. You may join this page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/IndyFeralCommunityCat/>.