



COLUMBUS KITTY ADOPTION CENTER

Columbus Kitty Adoption Center - Lending a Paw to a Local Feral Cat Colony

It has recently been brought to the attention of Columbus Kitty Adoption Center that there is a sizable feral cat colony which resides locally at a South High Street location. Up to this point a small group of individuals have been acting on their own accord in an effort to manage this situation; however there has not been an organized process to control the colony's population.

Columbus Kitty Adoption Center (CKAC) is a local animal rescue organization committed to providing care for and ensuring the welfare of homeless animals, finding loving homes for cats, kittens and special needs animals and helping to reduce over population issues through the promotion of spaying and neutering. Upon having this colony's situation brought to our attention, CKAC has committed to working with our community, our volunteers and our veterinary partners to implement an organized Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program.

A TNR program is a critical component of and the recommended approach to managing the population of a feral cat colony. Cats are humanely trapped, spayed/neutered, eartipped while under anesthesia (which signifies that they have been altered), given a rabies shot, treated for parasites, and are returned to their territory after recovery for ongoing supervision by their caregivers. Further, as a rescue organization CKAC will be assessing the animals which are trapped for adoptability prior to returning them to the colony. Those cats suitable for adoption (non-feral), along with any kittens collected through the TNR program will be taken into the care of our organization where a permanent home will be found for them.

As a component of this comprehensive program CKAC is also working to gather community and volunteer support to organize a group to assist in the cleanup and removal of the trash and debris which has collected in the areas in which the members of the colony reside. These efforts are being taken because we truly want to maximize the benefits of our actions for both the cats which comprise this colony and the surrounding community.

Should you have any questions, concerns or wish to inquire as to how you can be of assistance please do not hesitate to contact CKAC at columbuskittyadoptioncenter@gmail.com.

Kindest Regards,

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