



THE *scratching* POST

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CELEBRATING & SHARING OUR LIFESAVING SUCCESS!



WE HAD *a lot of fun* THIS YEAR!



Just for you!
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WE LOVE OUR *volunteers*

60
Volunteers per week

602
New volunteers joined

7-83
Age range of volunteers

11,011
Volunteer hours
❗ Equal to more than 458 days ❗



NOTES FROM INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT, AND MEDICAL DIRECTOR

On behalf of the entire team at SAFE Haven for Cats, we want to share our heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support throughout this incredible year! We believe that every animal and human at SAFE Haven is an individual being with personality, feelings, intrinsic worth and value, and as such, they must be treated with respect and care in a non-judgmental, safe environment. Every member of our team here feels honored to be able to turn this shared belief into a lived reality for every cat, kitten, and community member who comes through our doors. Your dedication and generosity have been instrumental in helping us provide the absolute best outcome possible for each cat, no matter their initial circumstances.

We've hit milestones and seen achievements this year that would not have been possible without you. From hitting a record 68 spay/neuter surgeries in a single day at the SAFE Care Clinic to having a cat be adopted every 45 minutes the Shelter was open, each success story is a testament to our shared dedication to saving and improving lives. Your kindness bolsters our passion and commitment, and we are deeply grateful to have you all on our team. Thank you once again for a remarkable year of growth and transition. Together, we can continue to make a profound impact on the lives of countless feline friends and the humans who love them.

YOU WERE *champions*

for over 1300 cats in our shelter this past year and they are so grateful for your support!

Meet Country Club below and many more continued on the next page!



In June of 2023, a man walked into SAFE Haven's lobby with a small cat in his arms. He had been golfing at a course nearby when the cat leapt into his golf cart. He told us, "I've only known her for an hour, but I love her." That sentence is the perfect summary of Country Club's charm! She initially had a great appetite, but then stopped eating and began losing the weight she had gained. After running some tests, our team found that she likely did not have long to live- but SAFE Haven never backs down from a fight for a cat's life. The Cat Care team spent twelve weeks treating her and researching the best way to help her. Country Club turned it around and today is a happy, healthy girl! One of our team members who was instrumental in her care fell in love and she was adopted by our team member after 203 days spent at SAFE Haven. She worked hard for her alumni title, and we couldn't be happier for her.



Sweet Miso

In late December, our team got a call that a cat that had been adopted from us was surrendered to a shelter in South Carolina, a ten hour round trip away. The shelter wanted to know if SAFE Haven wanted Sweet Miso back- the answer was YES! Our commitment to our cats is for life. Within a few hours, a volunteer stepped up to go bring her home. Sweet Miso found her new forever home and today is living her best life with her new family.

Wendy Darling is a gorgeous gal who first came to us in May of 2019. She was adopted by a gentleman who was absolutely smitten with her. Tragically, we received news from the adopter's sister that he passed away recently. At SAFE Haven, our commitment to our cats is for life- we let her know that we would gladly take Wendy Darling back into our care. She was readopted at the end of June by another family who will cherish her as much as her first adopter did.

Wendy Darling



Wobbegong

In late February, one of our volunteers brought in a cat that was found by one of her colony feeders. Even though he was eight months old, Wobbegong had a kitten harness on- he likely was separated from previous owners while wearing the harness and was never able to get it off. Growing up with this restriction, this left his Xiphoid (part of his chest) malformed. He also had a retained third eyelid, likely from a past illness, that Dr. Kutner fixed during surgery. Wobbegong is perfectly fine, just a little differently shaped!

Maeby was five weeks old when she came to us, but she was so sick that she was the size of a two- to three-week-old kitten. Our Cat Care team wasn't deterred - two of them fostered her, syringe feeding her every two hours for about a month. She went from being severely lethargic to climbing up on their laps, to bolting at top speed out of her crate during feeding time. Though she lost her right eye completely and some of the vision in her left, she hasn't lost her playful nature, sometimes running full speed into walls if she gets too carried away while playing! After 101 days with SAFE Haven, Maeby found a wonderful family who brought her and another SAFE Haven cat, Wallaby Wilma, home just in time for the holidays.



Maeby



Sea Bass is a ten year old world class snuggler! We decided that Sea Bass would be more comfortable in a foster home while he waits to be adopted due to his diabetes. He is currently being cared for by one of our wonderful team members. He likes kids and other cats, and is a very gentle boy and takes his twice daily insulin injections like a champ. He enjoys being brushed and is an excellent biscuit maker!



Sea Bass



Phoebey

Phoebey weighed just a little over 3 pounds when she was brought to us by one of our constituents. She had one of the worst cases of hyperthyroidism our team has seen. We got her squared away with her medicine- she loves the pill pocket treats it comes in. Today, she's a little over 7 pounds and is as happy as can be. We're so glad there are cat lovers out there who are keeping their eyes out for these vulnerable ones, and that the kitties like Phoebey make their way to us!

Eight year old Notebook was brought into our clinic to be neutered and then returned to where he came from. When our team examined him, he was found to be too sweet to be released, and we kept him! Notebook loves to be around people and will headbut your legs until you sit down with him. He is FIV positive, and waited patiently for 45 days until he found his new family!



Camette

Camette is a sweet, quiet one year old kitty that came to us from a partner shelter. Her happily ever after came when an 86 year old Vietnam veteran came in to meet our cats! He was drawn to her easy-going nature and decided she was the cat for him. Here at SAFE Haven it doesn't matter how old you are, everyone deserves the love and companionship of a good kitty.



Notebook



by the numbers

ADOPTION & INTAKE



1,332
Total Adoptions



19.74 days
Average Length of Stay



6.5 days
Time on the Adoption Floor

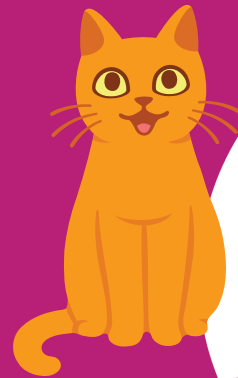


1,400
Total Intakes

16,957
Pet Food Pantry Food Distributed

Intake by age range

- Kitten **506** ● Teenager **249**
- Young Adult **441** ● Adult **108**
- Senior **91** ● Super Senior **5**



where your money goes

EXPENSES BY CATEGORY

- Programs **87%**
- Administration **13%**



WE THANK ALL OF YOU!
Visit safehavenforcats.org or scan the code to learn more about what you can do to help this year and beyond.



clinic news

The team at SAFE Spay/Neuter Clinic did some amazing work this past year!

7,930 TOTAL SURGERIES

INCLUDING:



2,908 Feral/Community Cats



391 Dogs



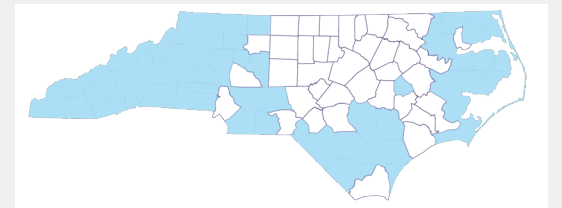
Oldest Animal Served
Ace Ventura (16 yo)

What else do we do?

SERVICE	TOTAL
Vaccinations	12,650
Leg Amputation	6
Eye Removal	10
Hernia Repairs	56
Dental	95



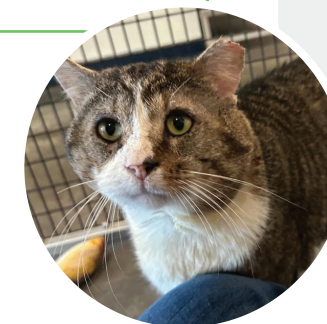
impact



46 Counties

19 Rescue Partners

813 clients paid \$0



Most unusual cat name served
Lorde Gregory Alabaster Fiddlehorn



Largest cat

16.5 lb Maine Coon!

