Do you know someone who needs assistance affording medical care for their cat?



Cat Depot's Veterinary Assistance Programs can provide peace of mind and life-changing medical care for cats and their people who qualify.

> Give us a call at (941) 366-CATS (2287) to learn more about our Cat Care Clinic's Veterinary Assistance Programs\*.

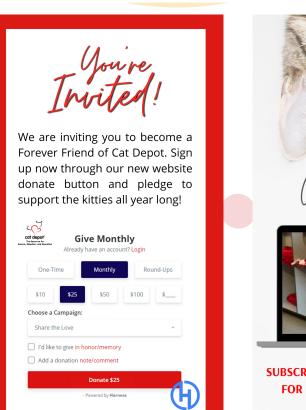


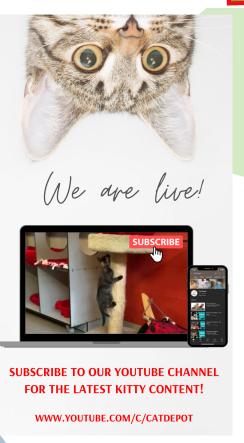


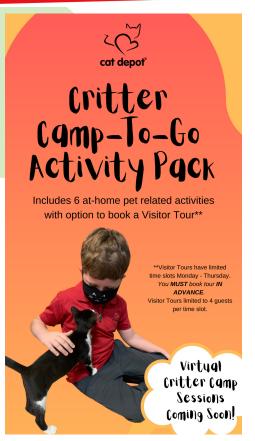
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Thanks to you and your overwhelming show of support, we were able to make a lasting impact on the cats and people of Sarasota and the surrounding areas. Please take a look at the effect you had on Cat Depot in 2020:

## **Admissions & Adoptions**



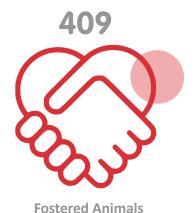
897 Kittens 34 Seniors 380 Adults 69 Friends Like Me (special needs kitties)



Cats Assisted Via Our Working Cat Program



## **Volunteers & Fosters**





Volunteer / Foster Hours

Community Food Bank

Cat Care Clinic ——

Total People Assisted



7,745
Total Cats Fed

Total Amount of Food Distributed



15,614 pounds of dry food 8.376 cans of wet food 4,205



## **Meet Teddy**

Teddy Jr. is a six-year-old cat who came to us from Lady Lake Animal Services due to his 'crumpled' ear and minor dental issues. Upon arrival he was sweet and curious but his ear was so painful he wouldn't let anyone touch his head.

Cat Depot's shelter medical team attempted to treat his sore ear with medications but it didn't seem to relieve his pain. The medical team made the decision that it was in Teddy Jr.'s best interest to sedate him for a dental cleaning and to take this opportunity to also examine his ear thoroughly.

Once he was sedated and the dental cleaning was complete, our medical team was able to examine his ear in greater detail. They found that the ear was not fluid-filled, like most hematomas are, and required further testing. After taking some x-rays, the ear appeared to be calcified. The calcification had overtaken his entire ear flap and had moved into his ear canal. The decision was made to remove the calcified mass in order to relive him of his pain and suffering. He responded well to the surgery and his ear canal has healed nicely.

Teddy Jr. remains just as sweet and curious as he was the day he came to Cat Depot. He does not seem to mind that he is missing an ear and enjoys head scratches once again!

Thanks to the lifesaving work by Cat Depot's medical team, Teddy Jr. has gotten a second chance at a happy and healthy life with his new adopted family. Gifts of all sizes can help save the lives of more cats like Teddy Jr. and give them a second chance at life.

## **Welcome to Kitten Season!**

It's that time of year again...KITTEN SEASON! While this may sound like a cute, fluffy slice of heaven to us cat lovers, it can actually be quite a challenging time of year for animal shelters. In most places, animals mate and give birth in the spring but in places with more tropical climates, like Florida, Kitten Season is a much longer phenomenon. In Sarasota, we need resources and supplies year round to support the momma cats and kittens that we care for all year long.

In 2020, Cat Depot found homes for 1,311 kitties, of those, 897 were kittens. Most of the kittens that find their way to Cat Depot are very young and in need of healthcare. Without the lifesaving care of our medical team and the dedication of our foster volunteers, many of these kittens would not have survived.

You too can help support Cat Depot during Kitten Season and all year long no matter your age, ability or resources. Anyone, anywhere can donate Mother & Babycat food, litter, and other items from our Amazon Wishlist (https://amzn.to/390yJqo). All personal cats should be spayed/neutered, and by learning more about TNVR, you can also help community cats. It takes less than five minutes to share a post on social media about Kitten Season, TNVR or other resources that can potentially help other cats in your community. We are always looking for new foster families for our special needs cats and kittens. For more information on our foster program contact Eric or Cody at volunteer@catdepot.org.

