



SPAY/NEUTER
THE RESPONSIBLE SOLUTION

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Dear Friend of Cats Angels:

The year 2016 has been a bittersweet one for our organization. May we start out by saying the Cats Angels Board of Directors wants to thank all of our supporters, contributors and volunteers for making it a good one for the cats of Nassau County.

We lost some very special "human" angels this year. Our beloved Wills Shores, Alice Margosian and Mary-Bator Gray are petting many of our fur angels in heaven. Their loss cannot be measured and we believe they are still lending us a hand here on earth for we have adopted eight black cats in the span of three months, and some of our hard to place adults have also found loving homes.

A very special highlight of the year was the adoption of Big D and Kenji, our two office cats who have been with us for over 3 years. We have been telling you their story of the special bond for each other and since Kenji is blind, his buddy Big D protected him. They were adopted together this past October and are doing wonderful.



Cats Angels helps our community in many ways. Since 2001 we have helped thousands of cats and kittens through our Low Cost Spay/Neuter, TNVR (Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Return to Caregiver) for community and feral cats and our Adoption Programs. We take pride in knowing that with your support these cats and kittens have attained a better life.

January started with 180+ cats taken to First Coast No More Homeless Pets for their spay/neuter surgery. We had so many on our first "spay day" they wouldn't all fit in the Cat Mobile and First Coast stepped right up to lend their van to help us with the overload! Our spay/neuter surgeries for 2016 are at the 900 mark.

Cats Angels hosts the Nassau County Animal Expo where animal advocates join together to promote the nurturing of all animals that need our intervention, to educate the community on the importance of spay/neuter/vaccination and to help promote the adoption of rescued animals. In August Cats Angels focuses attention on Homeless Animals Month in association with the International Society for Animal Rights (ISAR). A Proclamation is received from the City of Fernandina Beach and we sponsor a Walk and Candlelight Vigil to commemorate Homeless Animals Day.



As per our mission statement:

- Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA believes that animals, as living creatures, have value beyond economic measurement and are entitled to legal, moral and ethical consideration and protection.
- Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA will act as an advocate on behalf of animals and as an enforcer of their rights;
- Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA will provide for the well-being of animals who are abandoned, injured, subjected to unfair or cruel treatment, or otherwise in need;
- Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA will continue its work of ending animal overpopulation by providing a community-wide low-cost sterilization, vaccination, and adoption program.
- Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA will cultivate respect and awareness for the rights and needs of animals through an educational program.

We take your support very seriously. Your contributions are used in a responsible way to continue our much-needed spay/neuter, adoption and community service programs to save cats' lives. We rely heavily on these personal contributions from friends such as you. Your gift of:

- \$100 - will pay for spaying and vaccinations
- \$50 - will pay for neutering and vaccinations
- \$25 - will pay for bags and cans of food;

Any donation in any amount is helpful towards continuing our highly successful life-saving programs. Please don't delay. If you can help us, please make your check out to "Cats Angels" and return it in the enclosed envelope.



There are other ways to help during the holiday season. The Kitty Wish Tree at our Thrift Store entry is decorated with Angel Cards each with feline requests for cat care needs, spay/neuter surgeries and vaccinations. Our ongoing fundraising efforts include aluminum recycling, sales of gourmet Morning Mews coffee blends, the annual Purrfect Cats of Cats Angels calendars and, of course, donations and sales for Cats Angels Thrift Shop.

We thank you for your past and continued support of our mission to improve the lives of homeless and abandoned animals and for being our partners in bringing comfort, hope and joy into their lives. On behalf of Cats Angels and the animals your generosity will help, we wish you Joy and Peace this Holiday Season and throughout the New Year.



Sincerely,

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Beth Hackney
President, Cats Angels, Inc. SPCA

PS: If you can't give at least \$20 at this time, please consider a gift of \$10 - this will provide a rabies shot for one kitten.

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