

How to be an AdvoCAT

Thank you for your support as an AdvoCAT. By advocating for cats in our community, you make a difference! There are many ways you can bring much-needed relief to the animals, and the people, affected by cat overpopulation. Below are ways you can help.

Spay or neuter your cats

Kittens as young as two months and weighing two pounds can be safely altered. Talk to your friends, family and neighbors about the importance of having their cats fixed.

Identification

Make sure your cat wears identification and/or a microchip. Nearly 80 percent of cats brought to the Humane Society are stated to be stray — identification increases the likelihood that if your cat gets out, it can return home safely. Talk to others about the importance of pet id. Tags can be purchased at the Humane Society and pet supply stores. Talk to your veterinarian about microchip options. Lost animals should be registered on www.petfbi.org.

Give

Support the work of the Humane Society – become a member or make a gift to support our efforts to make a difference in the lives of homeless and abused animals in our community. Our wish list is provided on the website and includes supplies needed at the shelter. Give to the AdvoCAT Fund and the AdvoCAT Spay/Neuter Fund to save the lives of cats and provide surgery vouchers for feral cats and owned cats in low-income communities.

Volunteer

Learn more about volunteer opportunities at the Capital Area Humane Society. Our volunteers provide much needed socialization to our kitties at the shelter awaiting adoption. Check-out the volunteer page on our website for more information about upcoming volunteer orientation sessions.

Care for homeless or wild cats in your area

Work with the Humane Society's Feral Cat Colony Coordinator or a feral cat group to help control your neighborhood's feral and stray cat populations.

Become a foster parent

We are always looking for people willing to open their home to help ready animals for adoption. Cats are the largest population served by the Humane Society's foster cat program – nursing mothers with a litter of kittens, orphaned kittens and adult cats recuperating from a cold.

Adopt

Open your home to a new cat or adopt a playmate for your existing pets.

Spread the word

Talk to others about the cat crisis in our community and how they can help. Ask them to pledge their support by registering as an AdvoCAT.

For a listing of other shelters and rescue groups working to improve the lives of animals in our community, visit www.petfinder.com.

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For more information about cat overpopulation in our community and what you can do to help, visit www.cahs-pets.org.



Spay/Neuter Resources

Cat overpopulation has remained consistently high in our community over the last decade. Some estimate that there are as many as one million stray and feral (free-roaming) cats in central Ohio. Thousands of cats are euthanized each year in shelters and many more are left to die on the streets. At the Capital Area Humane Society, we are dedicated to re-homing as many homeless pets as possible, but this is only treating the symptom of cat overpopulation. To truly make an impact on pet overpopulation, we must focus our efforts and resources on proactive programs such as spay/neuter. Controlling pet overpopulation through spay/neuter efforts will decrease the number of homeless and unwanted animals in our community.

As an AdvoCAT, please have your cats spayed/neutered and talk to your friends, family and neighbors about the importance of having their cats fixed. Tremendous as the problem of pet overpopulation is, it can be solved if each of us takes just one small step, starting with not allowing our animals to breed. If you have a cat in your neighborhood that is free-roaming and unaltered, work with your neighbors to get the cat fixed.

Please consult your veterinarian to discuss spay/neuter options for your pet. Below is a list of low-cost spay/neuter clinics in our community. Please note: The Capital Area Humane Society offers this list as a courtesy. The listing is provided for informational purposes only and does not reflect an endorsement of any particular organization or services.

Capital Area Humane Society

www.caahs-pets.org

(614) 777-7387, ext. 298

RASCAL

Roaming Animal Sterilization Clinic at Low Cost

(614) 791-SPAY

<http://www.rascalunit.com>

Mobile Spay/Neuter Unit

(614) 348-7298

Care Pet Clinic

(614) 252-4353

Spay/Neuter Clinic

(614) 761-7551 or (614) 367-9933

Humane Society of Delaware County

740-369-7387

Shelter Outreach Services

www.sosohio.org

Franklin County Dog Shelter

(614) 462-5581

* Dogs only

Pet Concern

(614) 885-3186

Cat Welfare

614-268-6096

VetsCare

(614) 777-4339

Animal Outreach

www.animal-outreach.org

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