

FERAL CAT FOCUS INC. COMMUNITY CAT NEWS

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PROVIDING FERAL & FREE-ROAMING CATS WITH FUNDAMENTAL COMMUNITY SERVICES

SPRING 2022

FUSION 2022

Feral Cat FOCUS' only fundraiser of the year, *FUSION* is coming back on November 12th, 2022. Please mark your calendars for our 16th annual extravaganza!! It's been a long time since we have seen each other!!

As you know, in order for us to be able to continue subsidizing feral and free roaming 'community' cat spay/neuter programs as we have done in the past, it is essential for us to raise a substantial amount of money. We all know the need is great and it has been a few years since we were able to host this event due to the pandemic.

This year's fundraiser, *FUSION*, will be held at The Grapevine Banquet Facility, 333 Dick Road, Cheektowaga, NY on *Saturday November 12th*. There will be hors d'oeuvres, open bar, vegetarian buffet, drinks, dessert, theme baskets, silent auction, music, and lots more!!

We want to see everyone there, but before the event, we could also use your help. Could you please donate to our FUSION fundraiser? We need donated gift cards/ certificates for our silent auction, especially local business ones. We would appreciate your kind gift cards donations on or before 9/23/22; this will allow us time to make sure your name is on our program. Please mail your mail gift to Feral Cat FOCUS. P.O. Box 404, East Aurora, NY 14052. If you prefer to share the gifts in person, please email/call us and we will make arrangements to meet up with you.

The number of unwanted cats in our community must be humanely reduced, and this can only be accomplished by spaying/neutering and <u>your</u> support. Watch our website/ face-book/ mailings for the invite. We look forward to seeing you all once again!!



Feral Cat FOCUS, Inc. will be starting the 2022 Season

This year we are projected to surpass 40,000 Feral cats which we have altered and subsidized.

And next year, the year 2023, we will celebrate 20 years of working to make our goal of TNVR

(Trap/Neuter/Vaccinate/Return) for feral cats a recognized solution, throughout

Western New York for reducing the numbers cats and to end the suffering of the 'Community Cats'.

We call them 'Community Cats' because they do not belong to anyone. They sometimes have several caregivers and people that feed them. However, the main thing is that someone takes the steps to alter them to stop the overpopulation, and the suffering of kittens being born that are not wanted. We are hoping you will be that person. If you have not altered the cats you see wondering around your neighborhood, please take the first step to help these cats and make the call. We will guide you every step of the way.

Call toll free 1-888-902-9717

Feeding/Care instructions for Feral/ Free Roaming Cats.

- No Ground feeding! Food should never be thrown on the ground and scattered all over.
- Cats should only be feed once a day, working around your schedule, keeping to the same time every day, so that the cats can rely on their daily feeding. They will adjust for your timing.
- Food should never be left out all day.
- NEVER feed at night!
- Food should be placed in a dish and picked up after each feeding. **NO DISHES ARE TO BE LEFT OUT**. Always keep the feeding areas clean, and neat.
- If there is a garage, barn, shed, porch, try feeding the cats in an enclosed area, where you will not be annoying your neighbors. Again, feed only once a day. Keep areas clean.
- Water can be left out. And in Winter try using heated water bowls. A pinch of sugar in the water will help it from freezing.
- Also heated pads can be used, they only heat up when an animal sits on them. Look for them on Amazon. (Under \$30.00) Recommended/used by horse stables, and animal barns. Try to provide shelters for the cats. Go to our website www.feralcatfocus.org for feeding and warming shelters, as well as more ideas for caring for feral/free roaming cats. Never use blankets as the fibers get wet and freeze. Straw is a great insulator.
- These feeding instructions are accepted by most municipalities, and the Erie County Health Department.

Kittens, Kittens, and More Kittens

We know how hard your job as caregivers are, especially when there are kittens involved. That is why we have provided a list of area rescue groups and SPCA's in the WNY area that might be able to help you place 'Socialized' kittens. Please refer to our website @ www.feralcatfocus.org

We also have two expert socializers on hand to help guide you to socialize the kittens you find in your colony, and to help you get the mothers altered to prevent any more births.

But please keep in mind if you can not socialize kittens, whether because of time restraints or the inability to do so, **IT IS OK**. Just let the kittens be part of the colony and when they are 3 months old get them altered and let them stay with their mother and the rest of the colony. **NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT!**

Unfortunately, Feral Cat FOCUS Inc. does not have a kitten or an adoption program. Our job is to support the caregivers with TNVR (Trap/Neuter/Vaccinate/Return), and to support the work you do in your colony and in your community.

Please remember Feral Cat Focus is an **all-volunteer organization** and if you want to know more ways to support the Feral cats, join us by donating through the **United Way Foundation**, **Network for good**, or check with your company for Matching Charity Grant opportunities. Shop for the products you love and help raise money for Feral Cat FOCUS Inc.





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"When we look into the eyes of a Feral Cat, we see a 'House Cat' that never had a Chance" Feral Cat Focus

Many cats are left to fend for themselves outdoors.

Feral cats struggle throughout the year to find food, fresh water, safe shelter and to just survive.

Feral and free-roaming cats who only know the outdoor life shouldn't be forgotten.

Please help us make 2022 a better year for the feral and free-roaming cats of Western New York. Saving one cat may not change the world, but it certainly will change the world for that one animal. It is only through the generosity of people like you that Feral Cat FOCUS programs can continue.

Feral Cat FOCUS is committed to humanely reducing the feral and free-roaming cat population in Western New York through the use of Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Return as fully understood, accepted and practiced in every Western New York community.

Please mail your donation to the address below or you can make an online credit card donation at www.feralcatfocus.org.

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We want to apologize to anyone that did not get our Holiday Newsletter.

It was out of our control

The Cats that oversee 'Quality Control' were called away from their office!

Please let us know if you did not receive the Holiday

Newsletter

Email us at info@feralcatfocus.org

Or call us at 1-888-902-9717 and let us know.

As always the Feral Cats Thank You for your support.