As we start to see temperatures change, leaf colors change and daylight shortening, be reminded of the many stray cats that are still out fending for themselves. You can help them by feeding, watering and providing shelter for them. Please spay & neuter all strays as well as your own cats.

This year has been overwhelming with pregnant moms, litters of kittens and daily urgent appeals for help. Every rescue group and shelter are straining at the seams with cats and kittens still. Adult cat adoptions are slow and we have an abundance of kittens still waiting for homes. Please consider adding an adult or kitten(s) to your household and pass the news to others to look on our website which links to our Petfinder page to see all the wonderful candidates waiting for homes. The quickest way to help with the overcrowding and the continual struggle for funds to care for them all is for foster cats to be adopted!

We are celebrating our 11th year as a cat rescue organization. Our annual fundraiser wall and desk calendars are now available. Please contact us with your order. They make great holiday gifts. We will have them at our adoptions on Saturdays and you can contact us at our email savingcatslives@gmail.com

The 2018 Kitty Cat Connection calendars are here! Both calendars feature our beautiful KCC rescue kittens and all of the proceeds go to help us save more homeless cats.

Wall calendars are $15 and the desk size are $6 or 2/$10. You can pick up yours at the Tiffany Springs Petsmart on any Saturday afternoon. Email us at savingcatslives@gmail.com if want to order by mail.
Cats Available for Adoption!

Menards, male, tabby
I am a 12 week old grey tabby and am incredibly cuddly. I like playing but mostly I just like sitting quietly in someone’s lap. I would be the perfect kitten for a well-behaved child or a contemplative adult. I would be happy to be adopted with my brother but I am just fine going by myself.
I am looking for a loving home. If you give me a chance I will renovate your heart and improve your home with my purrsionality. I look forward to meeting you.
My adoption fee is $90
For more info on me please call Sharon at (816) 532-0244.

Mario, male, tabby-orange
I came to KCC as a stray from a thrift store. I'm shy at first but a very sweet and affectionate boy when I get to know you! I need to be an only kitty as I'm not fond of other cats.
My adoption fee is $70
For more information on me please call Sandy at (816) 510-4400.

Shippo, male, tabby
Shippo is a sweet, adorable, playful boy. Shippo came into our care when he was only 2 days old. He came in with his mother and another pregnant female. Shippo loves to play with his siblings Max, Furiosa, Kikyo, Kagome, and Jaken. He is a fun little boy who will make a family very happy. He loves to play with his siblings and loves to be petted.
My adoption fee is $90
Please contact Jey at 913-202-3809

Adoption Callout! Share with your friends, lets give Marty a second chance!

Carmel's owner lost her home and couldn't take him with her. Carmel is a sweet, loveable gentleman. He's healthy and would be a great companion cat. He is fiv+, so he preferably needs to be an only cat or share a home with other cats who are fiv+.
Adoption fee: $70
For more information please contact Sandy at 816-510-4400.
Smushy, female, tabby-white
KCC rescued me from a thrift store. I am shy at first but warm up in a quiet loving environment. I am sweet and eager for attention.
My adoption fee is $70
For more information on me please call Sandy at (816)510-4400.

Valley girl, female, torbie
I was a found as a pregnant stray and was surrendered to KCC. My kittens are weaned now and I'm ready for my own loving forever home! I'm shy at first but I love attention! I've been in foster care for a few months now and I am 100% ready to find my new forever family!
My adoption fee is $70
For more information on me please call Sandy at (816)510-4400.

Benny, male, tabby-gray
This is Benny. he is one of 6 siblings (Eden, Darby, Champ, Frankie are the only ones left, Ario was the other but he was adopted). Benny is the sweetest little lover and wants nothing more than to cuddle. Benny is friends with a 70lb akita as well.
My adoption fee is $90
For more information on me please call Taylor at (816)872-5689.

Sammy
More about Sammy and how he’s doing now.....He is such a sweet, sweet little boy. He often follows me around from room to room, and he sleeps at the foot of the bed almost every night. Often times, he will crawl up on Jodie’s bare chest or on top of our heads to nuzzle into our hair. I have two other cats. One of them is very mellow and he’s about Sammy’s age. They get along great and they play short little games of “gotcha” almost every night when they get wound up. They often lay down next to each other when they take their cat naps. Sammy and my oldest cat feel somewhat threatened by each other, and they just “agree to disagree”. They don’t fight, but they don’t want much of anything to do with one another. Well, I thought I’d give you an update on Sammy from my end to reciprocate in case you remember anything about Sammy from his former life. Thanks!
Behavioral News!
Cat tails tell a story

Jey E, MSW, ACABC
Trap Neuter and Return What is it and Does it work?

According to Alleycats.org “Trap-Neuter-Return is the humane and effective approach for stray and feral cats. Now in practice for decades in the US after being proven in Europe, scientific studies show that Trap-Neuter-Return improves the lives of feral cats, improves their relationships with the people who live near them, and decreases the size of colonies over time.”

But the main questions is how is it that this process reduces the cat population over time? I was talking to a Kitty Cat Connection foster and TNR expert she explained that trapping and killing them doesn’t really work. In fact there has been many studies around the world showing it. There is a process call the Vacuum effect, which means that if all the cats are removed from a feral established colony other cats from near areas will travel to the new space and breed. Those cats living there will continue reproducing and live longer because there will be more resources.

Alleycats.org states that:

- During an 11-year study of TNR at the University of Florida, the number of cats on campus declined by 66%, with no new kittens being born after the first four years of operation

Trap-Neuter-Return quickly stabilizes feral cat populations by instantly ending reproduction and by removing socialized cats from the colony.

- A TNR program at the University of Texas A&M neutered 123 cats in its first year, and found no new litters of kittens the following year. Over the course of the same study, 20% of the cats trapped were found to be socialized stray cats and adopted

So what can you do to help?

- If there is a location in your neighborhood of feral cats but there is not a TNR process established, talk to your local government about adopting a TNR ordinance so credibility and legal requirements can be created around the TNR process in your area.

- Make sure all cats in the colony have been fixed and vaccinated. You will know if a cat has been fixed if one the tip of their ear is cut. In addition, this will help to manage and decrease with time the size of the colony. You can contact a local organization near you like NAWS and ask questions about TNR.

- Provide food and water to the colony so they don’t have to fight over a lack of resources. In addition studies shows that cats tend to reproduce more when they are hungry.

- For more information about TNR go to:
On the other hand if you have a location were you can accommodate barn cats, this is another alternative to TNR, since many of the cats in these colonies are feral.

Some of our barn cats!
To see more of our cats go to
http://www.kittycatconnection.org/adopt.html

Like us on Facebook!
https://www.facebook.com/KittyCatConnection/?fref=ts

One-time Donation through PayPal:
www.kittycatconnection.org/donations.html

Kitty Cat Connection spends most of its funding on vet bills, paying for spaying and neutering, shots and getting sick kitties well. Another large portion is spent on food and litter for our foster homes. Since we are a small group, we don't have large corporate sponsors supporting us. We are a non profit rescue, which means 100% of all donations go towards the care of our foster cats. It is because of donations from the public that we can continue to save cats lives. We would like to thank all of our followers for your continuous support.