

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



FEARLESS KITTY RESCUE

About Us

Fearless Kitty Rescue was founded in 2012 on the belief that all cats and kittens deserve a chance to be Fearless. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit no-kill cat rescue dedicated to rescuing cats and kittens left homeless for whatever reason – cats in municipal shelters or other rescue organizations where they are at high risk of euthanasia due to animal overpopulation, abandoned and homeless strays, cats surrendered by their owners because of difficult circumstances, and those in danger of abuse or neglect.



Our Mission

Fearless Kitty Rescue is dedicated to providing a safe place for cats in need until they can be adopted into a loving home.

Our Vision

A future when all cats live happy and healthy lives, free from loneliness, cruelty, and neglect.

Message from Leadership – “Together, We’re Saving More Lives Than Ever”

To our Fearless Kitty Rescue family:

Because of you, our dedicated donors, volunteers, and advocates, this past year has been one of the most impactful in Fearless Kitty Rescue’s history. We are proud to share that our 2025 financial results came in 25% stronger than 2024, reflecting not only responsible stewardship (90 cents of every dollar spent directly helps cats) but, more importantly, the growing community of people committed to saving cats in need. Your generosity is turning compassion into tangible, lifesaving action every single day.

Responding When It Matters Most

This year, we expanded our reach beyond our immediate community to support animals in crisis situations. Fearless Kitty Rescue participated in California wildfire response efforts as well as Texas flood response operations, helping displaced and endangered cats find safety, shelter, and care during devastating natural disasters.

These experiences reinforced something we’ve always believed: when disaster strikes, animals are among the most vulnerable, and they need advocates like you.



Investing in Lifesaving Infrastructure

To better serve in these emergencies and improve daily operations, we are in the process of purchasing a dedicated disaster response van. This vehicle will allow us to quickly mobilize, transport animals safely, and deliver supplies where and when they are needed most. It represents a major step forward in our ability to respond efficiently and effectively in urgent situations.

Looking Ahead - Expanding Our Impact

As Fearless Kitty Rescue continues to grow, so does the need for space and resources. We have officially begun the search for a second building, which will allow us to expand our capacity to rescue more cats, and provide enhanced care and adoption opportunities. This expansion is a critical part of our long-term vision to meet the increasing demand for our services.

None of this would be possible without you.

To our volunteers: Your time, energy, and compassion are the heartbeat of this organization.

To our donors: Your generosity fuels every rescue, every medical treatment, and every adoption.

Together, we are not just keeping up with need, we are rising to meet it and exceed it. Thank you for believing in our mission and standing with us as we continue to grow, respond, and save lives.

With deepest gratitude,

Steven C. Hedden, President and CEO

Fearless Kitty Rescue



"We Choose to Give Them a Chance..."



Some kittens tiptoe into your life..... Drummer Boy dances in.

Found outdoors with his mom and four siblings, this tiny boy watched as each member of his family found a home of their own. Now he's the last one still waiting - full of love, full of joy, and full of hope that his special person is out there.

At just six months old, Drummer Boy is a lively, affectionate little spirit who purrs the moment he's held. He adores being close to his people and fits right in with other cats. Playful, curious, and endlessly sweet, he brings a spark of happiness to every room he enters.



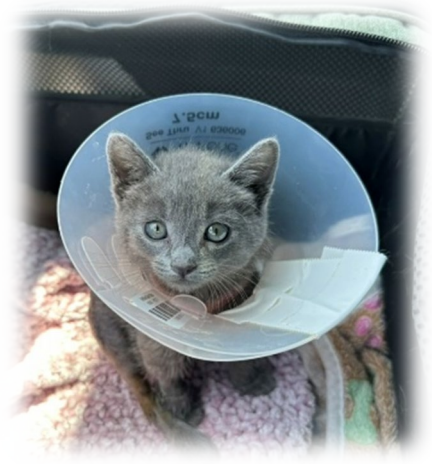
Drummer Boy was born with a congenital heart condition which will need lifelong medical attention. Thanks to the care and love he has received at Fearless Kitty Rescue he is thriving - running, playing, and embracing life with all the enthusiasm of a healthy kitten. His future may be shorter than some, but every day he has is filled with wonder, energy, and love from the volunteers at Fearless Kitty Rescue.

What Drummer Boy needs most is a compassionate home - someone who believes that every life, no matter its length or challenges, deserves to be cherished. Fearless Kitty Rescue chose to give Drummer Boy a chance and so did his new family. Drummer Boy was adopted!



And there are so many who just need a chance

Enter Graysen... a beautiful six week old kitten who was found injured in the backyard of a Good Samaritan. The kitten was immediately taken in by a wonderful volunteer foster who recognized there was something wrong. Little Graysen had a broken leg and needed surgery immediately. Through the caring work of Fearless Kitty's staff and volunteers Graysen healed and was ready for adoption. Thanks to supporters like you we can give second chances to those in the most challenging situations. And guess who found their loving home!



Silver Whiskers

In 2025 we welcomed twenty four senior cats into our Silver Whiskers program. These senior cats arrive with stories written in their eyes and often with medical



needs that require special care. That includes Molly Jane, a beautiful 14-year-old cat who was surrendered by her loving owner because he was very ill and could no longer care for her. He wanted her to receive the best love and care possible for the rest of her life. At Fearless Kitty Rescue we are dedicated to finding loving homes for all cats, including those in their golden years. That's why we launched the Silver Whiskers Program focusing on

senior cats, aged seven and above, who are often overlooked in shelters and rescues. By providing special attention to health checkups, vaccinations, and adoption opportunities, we are helping older felines find a place to rest and rejuvenate until they find a loving home.

And the good news is that Molly Jane received her second chance and was adopted. She is living the life she was meant to live in her senior years. Be sure to let us know if a Silver Whiskers kitty would have a place in your heart and home. They're ready when you are!

Saving Them Near and Far

For years the heart of Fearless Kitty Rescue has been to save cats and kittens in our nearby communities and that hasn't changed. Our commitment is fierce and fearless! This year we have extended that commitment to a disaster response effort reaching farther and saving more lives.

From the 2025 California fires to the horrendous floods in Texas, we were there to help. We partnered with rescue organizations by providing transport teams in disaster situations and a safe place for cats and kittens to heal before finding their loving home. This new effort will allow us to expand our lifesaving work in our surrounding communities and beyond.



Volunteers

Fearless Kitty Rescue relies heavily on very dedicated volunteers to accomplish our goals and succeed in our efforts. We simply could not provide the programs and services we do without them. During 2025, our volunteers provided 35,263 hours of help to allow us to achieve our goals. This amounts to nearly 17 full-time employees throughout the year. This is a huge success story, especially when we consider the large number of cats and kittens in our care. Volunteers provide socialization, foster care, feeding, cleaning, event support and so much more. We thank our wonderful volunteers for making it all happen at Fearless Kitty Rescue!



Grants

Successful grant writing efforts can be a mainstay for non-profit organizations like Fearless Kitty Rescue. During 2025, we received several generous grants which helped us acquire much needed medical supplies, spay neuter services, vaccinations, and much needed food and cleaning supplies. A total of \$26,000 was received from various grants. The work continues to ensure that more kittens and cats can find loving homes.



Ways you can help

Volunteer: To provide our community with all the necessary services and programs to eliminate kitty homelessness, Fearless Kitty Rescue depends on the hard work and dedication of volunteers. Opportunities range from cat caregiver, events, facilities maintenance, boutique reception, adoption counselor, to a host of other opportunities. Volunteering is not just beneficial to Fearless Kitty Rescue. It's good for you, too! Volunteers care for the kitties, meet new friends, learn new skills, and feel great about the work they do. And they should! They are saving hundreds of lives every year.



Donate: Lifesaving monetary donations are always needed and can be made via our donation page on our website, www.fearlesskittyrescue.org or by check payable to Fearless Kitty Rescue, P.O. Box 19601, Fountain Hills, AZ 85269. We have wish lists on our website of items we need.



You can find them on our [website donation page](#), [Amazon](#) or [Chewy](#).

Foster: Fearless Kitty Rescue originally launched our Foster Program in 2019 to provide temporary homes for kittens and cats needing extra care outside of the shelter environment. This program plays a critical role in increasing our lifesaving capacity, supporting medical recovery, socialization, and preparing cats and kittens for successful adoption into loving homes. Plans are underway to revitalize the Foster Program enabling us to save more lives!

We need you on our team! Fostering a cat or kitten is so rewarding. Fostering gives a kitty time to shine and to feel what a real home is like. Fearless Kitty Rescue will provide all the supplies you need while the foster kitty is in your care. Fostering is flexible and isn't a lifetime commitment, but it is a commitment to save a life. To learn all about our foster program, visit our website <https://fearlesskittyrescue.org/foster/>.

Ongoing Support: Join [Fry's Food Stores VIP shopping card](#), the [Cat's Pride Litter for Good program](#), and the [Fresh Step Paw Points Rewards](#).

Continuing Care Program: Pets who are enrolled in the program and have owners who predeceased them are welcomed into the loving arms of Fearless Kitty Rescue, and cared for by Fearless Kitty Rescue volunteers until their next family is found. For more information, please email info@fearlesskittyrescue.org or call (480) 837-7777.

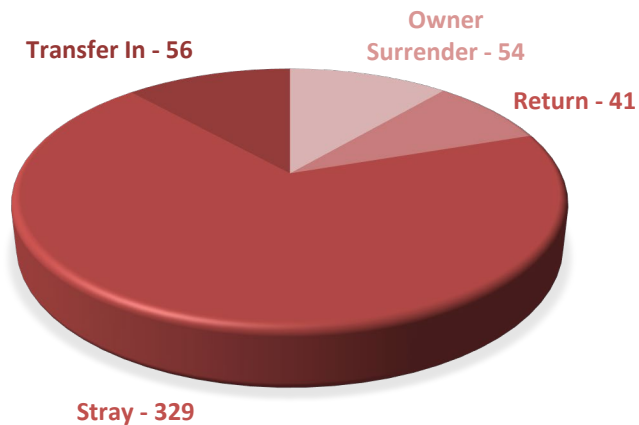
Planned Giving Program: Please consider including Fearless Kitty Rescue in your planned giving. By providing for Fearless Kitty Rescue in your will or trust, you can leave a legacy of compassion for animals. For more information, please email info@fearlesskittyrescue.org or call (480) 837-7777.



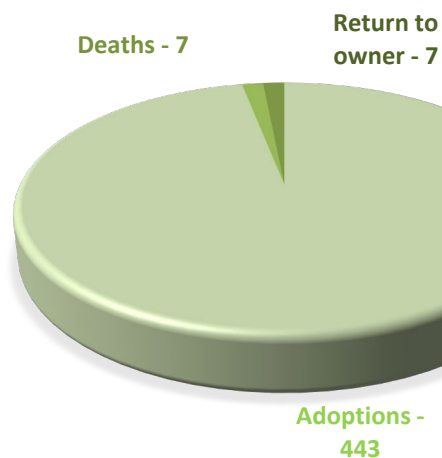
Intakes and Outcomes

Every year Fearless Kitty Rescue receives thousands of requests for help. We work tirelessly to offer resources or services for every request. In 2025 Fearless Kitty Rescue was able to take in 480 cats and kittens¹. This total intake number includes those who came from the public, municipal shelters, or other rescue organizations that are at capacity. With 443 adoptions Fearless Kitty Rescue had a very successful year finding homes for cats in need. Every year our goal to rescue more lives grows more important, but we cannot do it without your support!

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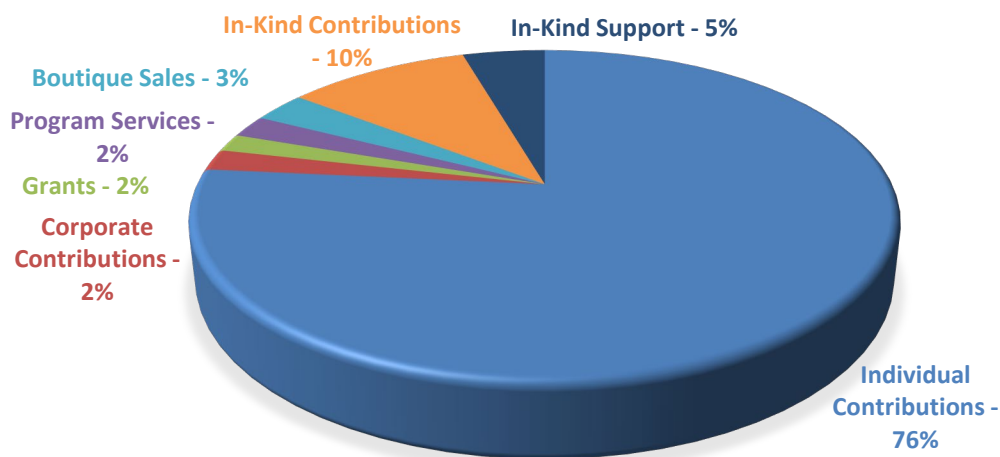


¹ Fearless Kitty Rescue collects and reports data based on Shelter Animal Count

The Financial Picture²

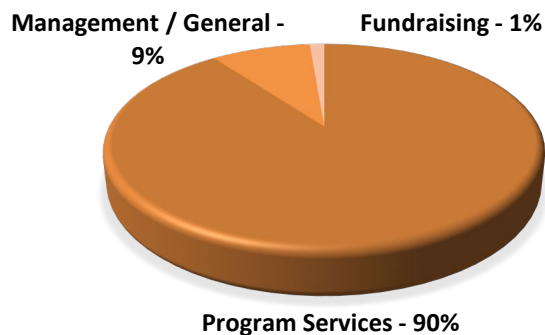
Donations and Earned Income

Individual Contributions	\$1,151,396
Corporate Contributions	30,825
Grants	26,000
Program Services	32,750
Boutique Sales	44,404
In-Kind Contributions	151,350
In-Kind Support	67,950



Expenses

Program Services	\$502,624
Management / General	\$49,666
Fundraising	\$7,257



90% of every dollar spent contributes directly to our cats' wellbeing:

² For further information our 2025 I.R.S. Form 990 can be found on our website <https://fearlesskittyrescue.org/financial-information/>

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