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## **URGENT - Feline Foster Families Needed for Cat Adoption Team's Busy Kitten Season**

Open your heart and home to save lives, one litter at a time

(May 12, 2008) — The Cat Adoption Team in Sherwood is seeking of feline foster families for kittens and cats who need time to heal from an illness or injury. Right now, the Cat Adoption Team has 75 kittens (about 15 litters) in need of foster homes. The more qualified foster families, the more lives that can be saved **today**. Join CAT in saving lives.

### **What is fostering?**

Fostering for the Cat Adoption Team is an in-home volunteer opportunity. CAT provides in-depth training and support as well as a 'baby bag' full of items needed to help you be successful in fostering. Foster volunteers are teamed with experienced mentors for one-on-one guidance and assistance.

Foster volunteers enable CAT to save more lives by opening their homes to

- kittens who need time to grow to 2¼ pounds so they are strong and healthy for the shelter adoption kennels and
- shelter cats who are recovering from a surgery or treatable illness

CAT foster volunteers provide a clean, nurturing environment for the cats/kittens in their care. Foster volunteers can also assist with placement of their fosterlings into new homes.

### **What are the benefits of becoming a foster volunteer?**

You and your family can make a difference for animals this summer by giving homeless kittens with a loving start to a long life.

Fostering as a family can provide you with the fun and joy of kittens, the ability to teach children compassion towards animals, and the opportunity to provide children with increased levels of responsibilities.

In 2007, over 1400 cats and kittens were given a second chance because of the care foster volunteers provided.

### **How do I become a foster volunteer for CAT?**

Take time to read more about the foster care program at [www.catadoptionteam.org](http://www.catadoptionteam.org), click foster.

Then call 503-925-8803 and leave a message in voicemail box 5 or e-mail us at [contactus@catadoptionteam.org](mailto:contactus@catadoptionteam.org). The foster care program manager will contact you to schedule your orientation and training session as well as answer any questions you may have.

These kitties may spend a short time in your home; however, they will stay in your heart for a lifetime. Fostering is one of the most rewarding volunteer experiences offered.

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**MEDIA:** CAT can provide you with opportunities to obtain b-roll or photos of kittens at the shelter or in a foster home. As well as interviews with experienced CAT foster volunteers.

*The Cat Adoption Team (CAT) is the Pacific Northwest's largest non-profit, feline-only shelter with its own full service veterinary hospital on site. CAT's mission is to work with the community to save the lives of homeless, sick and injured cats and kittens by offering shelter, adoption, foster, hospice, spay/neuter, and veterinary services to end needless feline euthanasia. CAT will find homes for over 3,200 felines this year. As a 501(c)(3) publicly-supported charity, CAT relies on the generous support of the public and volunteers.*

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