



**cat adoption team**

## **Pets as Holiday Gifts**

**A Furry Friend Makes the Holidays Even Better –  
So Long as it is Planned Gift**

Nothing enhances the warmth and joy of the holiday season as a companion animal. Often times this is a grand time to bring home a new pet. However, make sure the gift of a pet is a planned one.

Choosing a furry companion is a personal decision. Mom and dad may want the long-haired tabby while their daughter really wants an orange cat who looks like Garfield.

**The Cat Adoption Team offers these tips to ensure a pet is a welcome holiday gift:**

- Give the recipient an adoption gift certificate to be used when they find the cat of their dreams.
- Wrap up and give a “care box” full of toys, catnip, litter, and other cat essentials including the promise to visit the Cat Adoption Team after the holidays to pick out perfect cat. You’ll find all these items in the CAT lobby store.
- Visit the shelter together to choose just the right pet. Don’t worry if you can’t find the right cat on your first visit, you will eventually. There are over 250 cats and kittens of all different colors, breeds, sizes, and ages looking for loving homes at the Cat Adoption Team every day.

**Make sure the gift of a pet is the right gift by answering these questions:**

- Can the recipient commit to 10-15 years of care for companion animal?
- Is the recipient allergic to pet dander?
- Will the recipient have the financial resources to provide the animal with proper care, including veterinary visits?
- Does the recipient live in a rental and are pets allowed?

Visit the Cat Adoption Team shelter where you can give a homeless cat a Home for the Holidays, leave a gift under the CAT Giving Tree, find the perfect gift for the cat lover in your life, and discover more ways to help all the animals CAT cares for.

Visit CAT at 14175 SW Galbreath Dr., Sherwood, OR, or on the web at [www.catadoptionteam.org](http://www.catadoptionteam.org)