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*Happy Holidays 2023*

Dear Angel Cat Friends and Parents,

As we come to the close of 2023, I am reminded of how fast time flies! This year has seen many changes and new opportunities for all of us, especially in the Rescue World. It seems that no matter what else goes on in the world, whether it's Covid, political unrest or just the change back to standard time, there are more and more cats and kittens needing our help.

Unfortunately, adoptions haven't been what they used to be, more and more kitties are being put out on the streets or have been born to the streets and we do all we can to find homes for as many as we can and help the ferals live their best lives by taking care of now three colonies. Just because a cat is feral (not socialized to humans), we believe they still deserve the best life we can give them. So, we trap, get them to our awesome veterinarians at Beach Blvd. Pet Hospital in Huntington Beach, get them spayed/neutered, vaccinated and whatever other medical needs they may have taken care of, then release them back to their colony. We make sure they have food daily, clean water and shelter (if people living in the area don't mind us putting up shelters). All this takes time and resources to pay for the vet care and food. This is only one of the ways we utilize your tax deductible donations! We are so grateful to all of you who care about these little souls and the work we do for them and also to our dedicated volunteers who go out every day to monitor and care for the colonies.

Currently, we have some 7 month old kittens needing homes, they are fully vetted, super friendly and social, if you know of anyone wanting to add a couple of furry companions to their homes, please check out Petfinder.com and take a look at Mary, Marina, Millie, Mona, Melvin and Marvin (or see their photos on the backside of this newsletter)! We always recommend kittens be adopted in pairs, but in some situations, where there is already a cat in the home who would like a friend, we will work with that as well. We hold adoptions at the Westminster and Huntington Beach Petco stores on Saturdays (HB) and alternating Sundays (Westminster). Angel Cat also partners with other local rescues and we cross reference out adoptable cats. We work closely with OCSP Cat Rescue (formerly OC Small Paws).

We have a pair of bonded brothers, Jaxon and Jameson, now 3 years old looking for a home. They were adopted as kittens and returned because they were too "playful" and "rowdy". Um, don't adopt teenage boys and expect them to not be very active! Then came Covid, adoptions at Petco were halted for a long while... They are now a bit more sedate, but still playful. Definitely very wonderful boys! They are fostering with me at my home, so I can testify to their awesomeness 😊

Many of our fosters are now senior kitties, once past 6 or so years old, their chance of adoption diminishes. One of the best things about adopting adult and/or senior kitties is that you know their personalities and can match with new families sometimes more easily than with kittens. Cats can and do live well into their upper teens or even into their twenties, so adopting a senior cat not only gives you a more sedate companion, they are truly so grateful to have a warm quiet place to just hang out with you! Gracie Mae comes to mind, we took in her and her brother (from another mother) Joey JoJo, at the age of 12. Their human mom passed away, their human dad went to an assisted living situation in Oregon near family, and these two kids were shelter bound. I cannot imagine how terrified they would have been in that environment, and the chance of not showing well to the public, would have made them instant candidates for euthanasia. I know it's only a drop in the bucket compared to how much the need is, but we here at Angel Cats strive to help in whatever manner we can. We do encourage everyone to have a "plan" for your much loved furry kids, in the event that you can't take care of them any more for whatever reason.

It's through your generous donations that we are still here helping to "Rescue, Rehabilitate and Rehome Lost and Abandoned Cats and Kittens in Orange County CA". This has been our mission statement from our inception in 2008, fifteen years ago! Every donated penny goes to the cats, we are all unpaid volunteers, so we really need your help! We are a 501(c)3 non profit charity, I will provide a tax receipt for every donation received.

Wishing you all a wonderful Holiday Season, with thanks and gratitude from us at Angel Cat Pet Adoptions!

*"Hiss less, Purr more", Life is Short!*

*Robin Hull* ❤️