

2024 Hearts and Paws

"Help Us Protect Their Journey"



With inflation and the continued fallout from the pandemic, 2023 was another challenging year for CCC. Homeless cats were reproducing more than ever, and spay/neuter clinics were backlogged for months. Getting cats the help they desperately need at a qualified shelter is difficult, even more so during winter. CCC and similar groups, along with people doing TNR work were hit hard in 2023, and judging by our January volume, 2024 will be worse. Our challenges come from multiple directions: people waiting until the cold weather to request help for strays in their yard, year-round feline reproduction, abuse, and returns to CCC. More cats and kittens have been coming in with serious illnesses or injuries. We had over 60 returns in 2023, some being in a home for ten years or more, and most had significant medical and dental problems due to a lack of veterinary care. CCC always takes our adoptees back, no matter how long ago they were adopted. We did our best to save each one, but some were so ill that we lost them. Regardless, we will continue our mission to save as many homeless cats as possible! The sad reality is that many other shelters will choose euthanasia versus healing. At Cozy Cat Cottage, we believe no cat should be euthanized simply because they do not have a home.

Cozy Cat Cottage works tirelessly <u>365</u> days a year to help the Central Ohio homeless cat population. Since opening in 1998, we have found forever homes for 13,800 homeless cats & and kittens that may not have survived without our help.

In 2023 Cozy Cat Cottage Adoption Center:

- Found loving homes for 798 rescued cats and kittens.
- Facilitated over 700 + spay/neuter surgeries to reduce the cat population explosion.
- **Spay/Neuter:** While having to limit this service in 2023, we continued to offer low-cost options **to the public** to assist them in the cost of caring for strays or their pets when funds were available.
- Partnered: While large resources were unavailable, we continued to work with other local (dog and cat) organizations and individuals to share any excess food and supplies whenever possible.

We are proud of the work we have accomplished together with you, our supporters.

There is still much work to be done and our need is great.

Will you join us in <u>2024</u> to continue to provide refuge, aid, and care to homeless cats and kittens? Your generous gift will impact hearts and paws across Central Ohio.

Yes!

I want to help Cozy Cat Cottage In Protecting Their Journey.

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