

2022: It's a WRAP

"Saving one cat won't change the world, but it will change the world for that one cat."

As we move into 2023, we want to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make a difference. Thanks to you, we changed the world for 294 cats in 2022 - and we're currently housing 43 who now also have a chance at a wonderful new life!!

Whether you donated your time and energy, your money, needed items or opened your home as foster (or permanent) parent to one or more kitties, it is because of your generous, ongoing support that we are able to continue making a difference.

We enter the new year with confidence that it will be another great year of helping many cats in our community - one cat at a time.

294 Adoptions

205 kittens + 38 teens (5 months-1 year) + 51 adults

2021 adoptions = 218



376 Spay/Neuters Facilitated

Of the 376, 66 (18%) were TNR (Trap-Neuter-Release) neighborhood cats.

307 Cats Surrendered

Of the 307, 97 were surrendered pets, 45 were transferred from other rescues, 6 were born in foster care, and 159 were unowned cats/kittens.

Sadly, this is only a percentage of the cats we were asked to take.

The more foster homes we have, the more homeless cats we can help.

Kindred Kitties Needs Your Help!




**Can I bunk
with you
tonight?**

Give the gift of time.
Become a foster parent.

Save a Life and Foster an Adult Cat!

Adult cats need love, too! Kindred Kitties has an urgent need for foster homes willing to take in adult cats. If you have room in your heart and room in your home to take in one of the vulnerable adult kitties for which we receive calls, please check out the information on our fostering program at www.kindredkitties.org.

Fostering Saves Lives!



**In Memory of two special kindred
kitties that we lost this past year...
Polar and Marcie.**



2022 was a difficult year for the volunteers at Kindred Kitties as well as frequent visitors to our Adoption Center. We lost two cats in 2022 who held special places in our hearts having been long time residents at the adoption center prior to finding their forever homes.

Marcie and Polar,
We will see you over
the Rainbow Bridge.



Natural Disaster Preparedness

With all of the earthquakes, fires, and severe weather in the news, have you thought about how you would evacuate your family, both human and pets, if a natural disaster struck? The following information is from "Natural Disaster Preparedness for Families with Pets" article from Best Friends Animal Society ([bestfriends.org](https://www.bestfriends.org)).

To help keep your family together and safe during and after a natural disaster, you must be prepared. You need an evacuation plan for the humans and pets in your family. Advance research is needed to find lodging to accommodate your whole family, including for your pets

Emergency Preparedness Kit

You need emergency preparedness kit for all members in your family - including pets - that meet everyone's needs for at least a few days. Make sure everyone knows where to locate the kit.

Best Friends Animal Society recommends the following basic items be included in the kit:

- Three—five day supply of pet food
- Water and food bowls
- Kennel/crate/carrier
- Medical records including vaccination info
- Extra medication if needed

- Reflective/brightly colored leash and collar with identification
- First-aid kit for people and animals (ask your vet for recommendations)
- Litter pans, litter, and pee pads
- Ziploc bags and trash bags
- Paper towels and washcloths
- Bottled water
- Emergency blankets
- Pet blankets
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- Pillowcases or eVAC Dry Sac
- Duct tape
- Lighter
- Permanent marker
- Wipes
- Tarp or waterproof poncho
- Toys and treats for your pets

Be sure to have current pictures of your pets in case they become lost. Make sure they are current on vaccinations, are microchipped and have properly secured ID tags.

Help rescuers to do their jobs efficiently by having a rescue alert sticker with the number and types of animals in your home secured to your door. If you evacuate with your pets, write that on the stickers so emergency personnel know every one is safe.

National Pet Poison Prevention Week March 19 - 25, 2023

According to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA), the following are the Top 10 Deadliest Toxins to Pets:

5 Fluorouracil - Found in topical Skin Cancer treatments that may be licked off their owner's skin by pets or ingested from product containers. Exposure can result in bloody vomiting, diarrhea, seizures, anemia and death.

Amphetamines - Found in prescription ADHD and weight loss medications, as well as illicit drugs. Exposures can result in hypertension, tachycardia, ataxia, agitation, tremors, and seizures in pets.

Blue Green Algae - Can be found in large amounts in lakes, ponds, and rivers and may appear to be "scum" on top of the water. Toxic bloom occurs following warm, sunny weather especially in ponds with runoff from fertilized fields or pastured animals. Ingestion can cause vomiting and diarrhea, neurologic signs, and liver failure.

Hops - Definitely a concern for home brewers and sometimes even in supplements. Ingestion of hops by dogs causes their body temperature to skyrocket. Signs can be seen within hours. Dogs become agitated and begin to pant. Their body temperature can get high enough to kill them - up to 108 degrees Fahrenheit.

Metaldehyde - The active ingredients in some snail and slug baits can cause vomiting, tremors, seizures, and death.

5-HTP (5 Hydroxytryptophan) - A serotonergic over-the-counter medication can cause depression, vomiting, anorexia, ataxia, muscle tremors, arrhythmia, hypertension, and serotonin syndrome in exposed pets.

Baclofen - Pets may ingest their owners' prescription medication and develop vomiting, ataxia, vocalization or disorientation, and potentially, the life-threatening signs of slow breathing/heart rate, respiratory arrest and seizures, possibly leading to death.

Calcium Channel Blockers - *Diltiazem, Amlodipine, Verapamil, Nifedipine, etc.*

Prescription medications used in people and pets to lower blood pressure, treat chest pain, and irregular heartbeat; as a class, they have a low margin of safety and rapid onset of signs such as vomiting, lethargy, depression, ataxia, severe hypotension, bradycardia, hyperglycemia, and electrolyte abnormalities may occur.

Lamotrigine - Prescription anticonvulsant medication - can cause vomiting, lethargy, or hyperactivity, tremors, heart rate abnormalities, and seizures.

Methomyl - The active ingredient in some fly baits that can cause signs within 30 minutes of ingestion; signs include salivation, vomiting, ataxia, weakness, seizures, and death.



*Your support means everything to us -- both your time and money! We make every effort to acknowledge all who contribute to Kindred Kitties in a variety of ways. If you were not acknowledged below, please know that it is totally unintentional. Every one of you makes a difference! The following donations were received **October through December, 2022.***

Memoriams

In Memory of...

All my Kitty Cats by Patricia Akstulewicz
Black Jack by Sheila Leveque
Bullet by Liz Wescott
Christopher Stuart by Lorna Stock
Justin Jensen by Angela Constabile, Gretta
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Michael by Karen Hickson
Olga Rodriguez by Phillip Rodriguez
Roman by Marnie Wojtanek
Rosie & Harry by Eric Albrecht
Tornado "Tomi" by Israel Ramon
Tut, Maui, Scruffy, & Gracie by Janice Venable

Honorariums

In Honor of...

Ali Emerick's Birthday by Lois Van Dahm
Barb Sorenson by Mary Beer
Becky Hanna & Cassidy Dorris by Judith Ann
Dorris
Big Daddy by Elizabeth Spannraft
Charlotta Jonsson by Amanda Cash
Connie Ritchhart by Joseph Ritchhart
Connon's 4th Birthday by Ellis Endl
Eliot by Margaret Scott
Erin Zigler by Cheryl Grelyak and Kristin
McCaffrey
Hermoine, Luna, Hector, and Prince by Mary
Engdahl
Jennie Paal by Alan Paal
Jerry Krueger by Manny Costeira
Kristin Agner by Kitty Carls
Luna, Audi, and Jack by Marnie Wojtanek
Mary Peyer by Margaret Permer
Monroe by Teri Gragen
Noche and Ghost by Christine MacCrimble
Rain by Jill Torgerson
Shiloh by Wendy Copeland
Spidey and Laney (former Kindred Kitties) by
Sean Baker
Tamara Weber by Brian Thomas
Vienna by Anthony Guimelli
Zoe by Janice Craig-Rayat
Chris Hammelev by Guida Brown and David
McGrath

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April is Volunteer
Appreciation Month.
Thank you to all our
Kindred Kitties
Volunteers!

No matter what you do,
we wouldn't be here
without YOU!

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2023 Events

We're looking forward to having **A LOT OF FUN** while raising money to help the kitties in 2023!

Take a hike through Bristol Woods and help Kindred Kitties' spay/neuter efforts. Enjoy an exciting evening of baseball with the Kingfish at Kindred Kitties Night at Simmons Field. Have a delicious meal and raise funds for the kitties at Noodles in the fall.

There's more to come so visit kindredkitties.org and check out the Events tab for updates!



HIKE TO LOWER THE SPIKE

Sunday, May 21, 2023

**Bristol Woods Park
Bristol, WI**

Check out the Events tab at
www.kindredkitties.org for more
information



Kindred Kitties Night
at Simmons Field

Saturday, July 15, 2023
**Kenosha Kingfish vs Kokomo
Jackrabbits**
6:05 Gametime

Tickets - \$17 includes seat & a hat

Kindred Kitties Fundraiser Night at



Monday, October 2, 2023

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

6320 Green Bay Rd, Kenosha
(only at the Kenosha East Location)

**You must mention Kindred Kitties for
us to receive 25% of qualifying sales**