



Best wishes for the holiday season and New Year from all of our cats and volunteers!

December 2024

What is Hope for Cats?

Hope for Cats is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, wholly volunteer organization. We have NO paid employees, and all donations go directly to the care of our residents and foster cats. Hope for Cats operates Jake's Place - a cage free, no-kill shelter and adoption center. There is no limit to the length of time a cat can stay at Jake's Place. Admissions are limited only to control overcrowding. Hope for Cats receives no federal or state funding and is wholly dependent upon fundraising activities, foundation grants, and private donations to support its work. All of our cats are special, and we strive to provide excellent veterinary care and a home-like environment for each of them.

Luxe: Luxe was found on the West Side of Buffalo by friends of one of our volunteers. He had a severe injury to his right underarm. We will never know if he was caught in a fanbelt or other machinery, or if he had a collar that got caught under his arm and was snagged on something, or ... who knows? It took extensive veterinary care, including surgery and wound treatment for Luxe to recover. At various points it looked like his leg would need to be amputated, but he recovered with all limbs intact! He was adopted by our volunteer and her husband, and here he is with his feline brothers.



Kitty Kitty Carlisle (KKC), Levi & Luna: These 3 cats

were brought to our attention when their owner entered sheltered housing and was unable to keep them. Her intention was to take all of them back when she found a new home; however, she was only able to keep



KKC



Levi & Luna

KKC when she found a new apartment. Levi and Luna, who were bonded, were adopted together. When the

owner was later unable to provide ongoing care for KKC, we were able to find KKC a great new home.

*Your donation will help us continue to provide
care to cats in need!*

*Please donate online through
PayPal or Venmo or mail your
donation to Hope for Cats, Inc.,
P.O. Box 243, North Boston, NY
14110.*



Venmo



PayPal

Other ways to help:

United Way: Please specify Hope for Cats in your United Way donation and 95% of your donation will go to Hope for Cats. United Way Book #: 5176.

***Note:** the local United Way appears to have removed animal welfare charities from its "Donor Choice" List, which they state is "discretionary and subject to change". However, rest assured that we recertify every year and are able to receive your donations.

CFC and SEFA: Federal and NY State employees can designate Hope for Cats to receive campaign donations.

iGive; Amazon Wishlist: Please visit hopeforcatsinc.org and click the "How to Help" section for more information.

Hope for Cats, Inc. is a non-profit organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Your donation may be tax deductible for federal and state income tax purposes. NYS Rescue Registry #RR272.

Diva: Diva came to us as an outdoor cat living in a trailer park. She was quite shy and lived a good life in our free-roaming shelter. After almost 7 years with us, she found



her perfect home with a friend of a Hope for Cats supporter (who himself has adopted 2 visually impaired cats from us). Nathan, her adopter, was patient with Diva and is willing to let his new cat just be herself, a great happy ending for one of our long-term residents! Here she is (on the right) with Sebastian, her buddy.

Give 716: The Buffalo Bills and Buffalo Sabres Foundations organized the 4th annual Give 716 event in July to benefit local charities. The Foundations, along with several local businesses and individuals, offered matching grants or items. The event was very well organized and it was a successful fundraiser for Hope for Cats, with proceeds supporting our cats' veterinary care.

Financial Information: IRS Annual Returns are available at the NYS Attorney General website. This QR code will direct you to the Hope for Cats, Inc. documents on that website.



Shelter and Volunteer Statistics for 2023:

Cats Surrendered: 66
Cats Adopted: 70
Average number of Volunteers: 25
Annual Volunteer hours: 4,000

Our Supporters: We are grateful to our volunteers, donors, and veterinarians. We also recognize the following organizations and businesses:

- Tabby Town Adoption Center
 - The Helen Dent Lenahan Foundation
 - The Baird Foundation
 - The Takats Foundation
 - NY Institute of Massage
 - Buffalo Web Services, LLC
 - Nestle Purina
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Panda: Panda was an outdoor cat on the East Side of Buffalo, being fed and sheltered on a family's porch. One day Panda dragged herself home, limping from a rear leg injury. The family called us for help and surrendered Panda, who had a fractured right hip, probably hit by a vehicle. She had surgery to address the damage and after some limited activity was able to regain full use of her leg, resuming jumping up on favorite spots. She was adopted & is enjoying her new life, indoors forever.



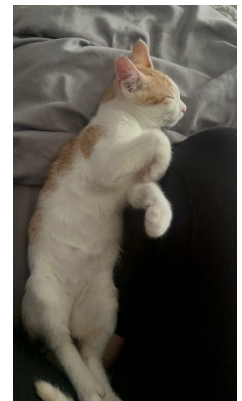
Callie & Polly: These girls are 2 of 4 cats who we accepted after their owner died. A friend of the owner found a home for one whom we had taken in plus another and drove all the way to Endicott, NY to take them to their new home. Callie & Polly were adopted together through Tabby Town and love their new home. Thanks to committed friends of the deceased owner, all 7 of her

cats found new homes.

Socks, Marvin, and Alley Cat: These 3 kittens were found outdoors on the West Side of Buffalo, by a volunteer's co-worker. They each have found new homes, thanks to the efforts of their rescuer and our volunteer.



Alley Cat (left) with his brother

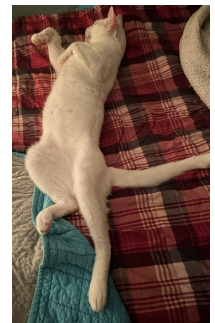


Marvin in his new home



Orange tabby Socks with his new brother

Sinatra & Valentino: These young cats were found as strays on the East Side of Buffalo. Here is Sinatra (all white with blue eyes) relaxing in his new home; and Valentino (rescued on Valentine's Day) sharing his new home with his tabby cat brother.



Sinatra



Valentino (left) with buddy

Adoptions: We have special cats at our shelter who enjoy their free roaming home but would also welcome sharing their own home with you. Some are senior cats; some are timid; some have quirky personalities ... not the usual lap cats, perhaps. If you are interested in meeting them, please contact Karen at (716) 352-0439. Hope for Cats can waive their adoption donations and provide you with generous amounts of the food which they have been eating.
