

COMMUNITY CAT PROGRAM



About The Program

The Montgomery Humane Society's Community Cat Program provides Montgomery City and County residents an alternative to euthanizing feral cats by enabling residents to trap, spay/neuter, vaccinate, ear-tip and release them back to the community.

Before programs like this, shelters like ours relied on catching and euthanizing feral cats to control their population. This approach failed to decrease the feral cat population and the number of feral cats euthanized each year. Increasingly, the public believes that the money spent on euthanizing should be re-allocated to programs that help animals, like the Community Cat Program. Over 80% of Americans believe that leaving a stray cat outside to live out his life is more humane than

having the cat caught and killed, according to a national survey conducted for Alley Cat Allies by Harris Interactive.

How It Works

1. **Acquire A Trap.** Purchase a humane, box-style cat trap at a local hardware store or borrow up to 2 of these traps from MHS.
2. **Humanely Trap Your Community Cat and Bring Her to MHS's Animal Intake.** Trap your community cat and bring her to the Animal Intake Department. Let the Intake Technician know that this is a community cat that you would like returned to you so that you can release her to your community. You may drop your cat off 7 days a week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
3. **MHS Will Send Your Kitty To Surgery.** Your community cat will go to surgery, typically, the next day, and will be fixed, ear-tipped, and vaccinated for rabies. You will receive a phone call that afternoon letting you know when to pick her up.
4. **Pick Up Your Community Cat.** Pick up your community cat at the same place that you dropped her off.
5. **Release Your Community Cat Where You Trapped Her.**

Frequently Asked Questions

Once I have trapped my community cat, when can I bring her to the shelter?

You may drop off your community cat any time the shelter is open. Shelter hours are 7 days a week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where do I drop off my community cat?

Drop her off at the Animal Intake Department (all the way down the left sidewalk of the front entrance).

Where do I pick up my community cat?

At the Animal Intake Department.

When do I pick up my community cat?

You will receive a phone call after surgery letting you know when your kitty will be ready for pickup.

Who do I contact for questions about the Community Cat Program?

Contact Denton Hawk, Shelter Intervention Program Coordinator, at 334-652-8000 or dentonhawk@montgomeryhumane.com.

What does it cost to have my community cat spayed/neutered/vaccinated through this program?

The program is provided at no cost to Montgomery City and Montgomery County residents.

