

South
Middleton
Community
Cats



SM Community Cat Connection

Summer 2025

Our First “Kitten Season”



South Middleton Community Cats was formed in late 2024, and as such, meant that we had effectively missed the start of “kitten season” for the year. You see, female cats are “seasonally polyestrous,” which means they come into heat when the days get longer.

We thought we were being calculating when requesting our appointments for the year with **The Nobody’s Cats Foundation** because we had thoughtfully planned how we anticipated the “season” to go. But boy, were we wrong.

Even with the best laid plans, we continue to field calls for sick, injured, pregnant, lost cats who need altered, triaging the appointments as we go. Time, resources and volunteers are precious and finite. So today, we implore you to **say it loud and to anyone who will listen:**

TNR is the only way to stabilize populations, improve the overall health of outdoor cats, and reduce shelter in-take numbers, costs, and euthanasia rates.

2025 IMPACT TO DATE

- 91 SMT cats TNR’d
- 60 cats on our waitlist
- 15 Resident volunteers
- 2 TNR workshops
- 1 Amazing food drive
- 1 Yard Sale Fundraiser &
- 1 Grant awarded

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stay tuned for news about our upcoming **Purse BINGO!** on **November 1st** at the South Mountain American Legion Post 674 on Pine St. in Mt. Holly Springs

And join us at the South Middleton Municipal Building on **August 18th** at our next **TNR Workshop!**

Stories From The Street

Little Lobbi Finds a Home

Her name is Lobbi. That's short for Lobster; so named for her sharp, sharp claws! Lobbi came to us from our Carlisle Creek Colony we took on in April. This **7-year-old kitty**, weighing in at a mere 5.02lbs, willingly walked into one of our Angel Carriers looking for food and was promptly whisked away for her spay-day.

Sent back to us with medication for both eye and upper respiratory **infections**, antibiotics for **rotting teeth** and notes to keep her warm with **rice socks** due to her size, we realized she was going to need some real care for more than a week. Luckily, one of our volunteers brought her home to nurse her back to health.

After 48 hours, Lobbi's eyes were starting to clear, and she had enjoyed a host of varying wet foods, along with some **high calorie nutrition gel** to help put weight on her. Showing a tenacious will to survive, Lobbi enjoyed her comfy stay with our volunteer, so much so that the volunteer became a **Foster-Fail** and adopted Lobs who now lives the life of luxury on a farm and has gained over 3 lbs in the months with her new mom!

Please see her exciting transformation photos below!

And P.S. If you followed BB's adventure, he's settling in just fine with his new home as well! See next story!

The Carlisle Creek Colony

Was our first colony we worked outside of our SMT boundaries. Below is the investment made in this colony, and why our continued funding is so important.

3 Erythromycin (eye-meds)
(\$30)

3 Fluids (\$30)

2 B-12 Vitamins (\$20)

1 Doxycycline (\$15)

2 Convenia (antibiotic) (\$20)

1 TLC visit for BB's toe (\$50)

BB's adoption checkup (\$280)

15 cats altered (\$600)

PetSmart Supplies (\$138)

1 Vet "all clear" for BB (\$260)

1 Bulk Supplements (\$40)

Colony Caretaker food (\$60)

Total thus far \$1543





Fosters Needed!

Have you ever considered fostering? Do you want to know where to start? **We would love to talk to you!** Qualified **foster families** receive **all vetting, food and supplies** needed to welcome cats of all ages into your home. All you do is provide the love, and report back! Currently, **Furry Friends Network** is accepting foster applications. If you choose to foster, it's possible that you'll give a community cat a second chance!

Meet Hyde! (formerly "BB")

Remember BB from the Creek Colony? He melted our hearts with his beautiful sad eyes, and we couldn't bear to put him back outside. Our **June fundraiser to help us offset adoption costs** helped Hyde get his full vetted checkup so he could live with a wonderful family who is working on integrating him with their cat, Jekyll. While Hyde is still having some paw issues, we couldn't be happier with the family who chose him, and are so **grateful** for them!



A heart-felt Thank You,
to our most recent supporters!

Jana H.	Michelle C.	Bobbie V.	Deb L.
Marlene M.	Denise S.	Mary S.	Leah H.
Carol H.	Tracy D.	Janet K.	Terri P.
Cortney M.	Barb W.	Kelly K.	Jeff W.
Susan N.	Jen R.	Alicia C.	Melissa F.
Cynthia T.	Wendy L.	Deb K.	Jen & Alan S.

And a reminder about
our wish lists!



PA animal cruelty laws prohibit feeding bans



§ 5532.Neglect of animal.

(a) Offense defined.—A person commits an offense if **the person fails to provide any of the following** for each animal to which the person has a duty of care, whether belonging to himself or otherwise:

(1) **Necessary sustenance and potable water.**

(2) Access to clean and sanitary shelter and protection from the weather. The shelter must be sufficient to permit the animal to retain body heat and keep the animal dry.

(3) Necessary veterinary care.

Our purpose in
this life is to help others,
and if you can't help them,
at least don't hurt them.

-Dalai Lama



Have you visited our website?

www.smccats.com



A HUGE Thank You to Deb and Vince, who collected donations, organized the yard sale and continued posting items on Marketplace far after the sale was over, netting SMCC the largest fundraiser sales to date!

Volunteer Opportunities!

Immediate needs are:

- Cutting Pee Pads
- Canvassing neighborhoods for next seminar
- National Night Out volunteer(s) for booth
- Solicitation of businesses for future fundraisers
- Yard Sale (next year!) planner/coordinator
- Food donations for colony caretakers
- Transport to/from clinic appointments

And as always, we need volunteers who want to learn to trap, or do pre-post surgery care. Email SMCommunityCats@gmail.com for more info



Stickers are a \$3 donation!
Send us an email or FB message.




Now partnering with Community Aid!

Use location at 4833 Carlisle Pike in Mechanicsburg

Give them Partner #50336

Ever wondered how to make a difference with the leftovers from your yard sales? Or all those clothes you grew out of over the past season? If you're so inclined, you can take those donations to our closest Community Aid and drop them off using our new Partner number. We only get compensated for the items listed below and **ONLY if you take them to an actual store** – those bins at Karns don't count. (We learned the hard way!) It's \$0.13/lb and it adds up, we promise!

	Donations Accepted	Donations Not Accepted
CLOTHING	New & used men's, women's, and children's clothing	Garments that are stained, torn, inappropriate, etc.
ACCESSORIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoes • Purses/Wallets • Backpacks • Hats • Belts • Scarves • Ties • Wigs • Jewelry 	
TOYS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toys • Games • Stuffed Animals • Dolls • Puzzles 	
HOUSEHOLD ITEMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pots/Pans • Dishes • Glassware • Small Appliances • Lamps • Shelves 	
DECORATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artwork • Collectibles • Stoneware • Baskets • Stationary • Seasonal/Holiday & decorations 	
LINENS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curtains • Sheets • Towels • Rugs • Fabric • Blankets without fillers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quilts • Any items with batting • Comforters • Pillows
ELECTRONICS	In working condition including:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tube style TVs and computer monitors • Computer CPUs • Devices without sufficient cords
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flat panel TVs and computer monitors • Radios • Alarm Clocks • Computer accessories (i.e. mouse, keyboard, speakers, etc.) • VCR & DVD players 	

We have also partnered with the following charitable giving agencies available through your workplace:



Help us Celebrate National Black Cat Day
on October 27th! Print this page to bring with you!



Red Robin® will give

**20% OF FOOD SALES*
BACK TO**

SOUTH MIDDLETON COMMUNITY CATS

**Show this flyer or simply mention the fundraiser to
your server to have your sales counted.**

FUNDRAISER DETAILS

236 Westminster Dr, Carlisle, PA 17013

October 27, 2025 5PM - 9PM

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

- 1** Start your order at redrobin.com/order and select the restaurant above.
- 2** In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)*" and click on that item.
- 3** Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4** Add your meal items and check out.
- 5** Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

*Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering (at select locations), 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.

