

WHO WE ARE

We're animal-lovers who saw a need in our community and want to help make a difference. The Tioga County Cat Project (TCCP) is the result of a successful TNR program started in Elkland, PA in 2019. After more than 100 cats from Elkland were fixed in less than a year, other communities expressed similar needs. A county-wide program was the obvious next step.

The Tioga County Cat Project is a nonprofit volunteer organization with a mission to improve the lives of cats in Tioga County, PA through TNR (trap, neuter/spay, vaccinate, return) and other services as needs arise. Our vision is to help create a world where cats and people can live in harmony.



WHAT WE DO

- Coordinate dates with low-cost spay/neuter clinics in and around Tioga County to bring large numbers of cats at a time
- Assist with trapping feral cats and transporting cats to and from clinics
- Educate residents about stray/feral cats and how to live with them in harmony
- Help owners get their cats spayed/neutered and vaccinated
- Refer pet owners to additional programs and resources outside our organization

CONTACT US

www.TiogaCountyCatProject.com
Includes FAQs, form to report cats

[Facebook.com/TiogaCountyCatProject](https://www.facebook.com/TiogaCountyCatProject)
Includes program announcements, clinic and fundraising dates

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

DONATE

- Mail checks to Tioga County Cat Project at PO Box 160, Elkland, PA 16920
- Donate online through PayPal at www.paypal.me/tiogacountycatprojec (no "t" at the end of "project")
- Watch for upcoming fundraisers on our Facebook page

VOLUNTEER

- Assist with community outreach and tracking cats in your area
- Trap and transport cats to and from clinics
- Help plan or staff fundraising events

REPORT CATS

If you or someone you know has cats who need to be fixed (pets or ferals), let us know!



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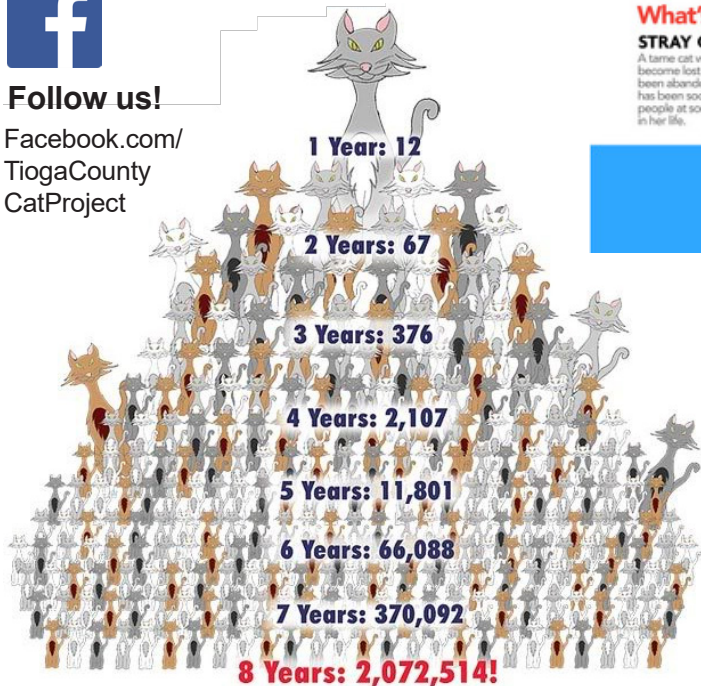
BENEFITS OF TNR

- Proven to be the most effective and humane way to control cat populations
- Decreases fighting among ferals, spraying and unwanted litters
- Decreases disease among cats and pets/people who may come in contact with them
- Returning feral/outdoor cats to their original locations deters new, unaltered cats from moving in (this is why euthanasia or relocation don't work)
- Once cats are fixed, complaints from community members drop to almost zero and cat populations begin decreasing immediately



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ABOUT TRAP-NEUTER-RETURN (TNR)

the **PROBLEM...** It's estimated that **tens of millions** of feral and stray cats freely roam the streets of the United States and breed rapidly!

Doing nothing and using ineffective approaches are what have resulted in the current overpopulation problem. Trying to rescue all of the feral cats and find them homes is impossible given their numbers and their limited socialization. Removing or relocating all of the feral cats invites new unneutered cats to move in and the cycle of reproduction starts again.

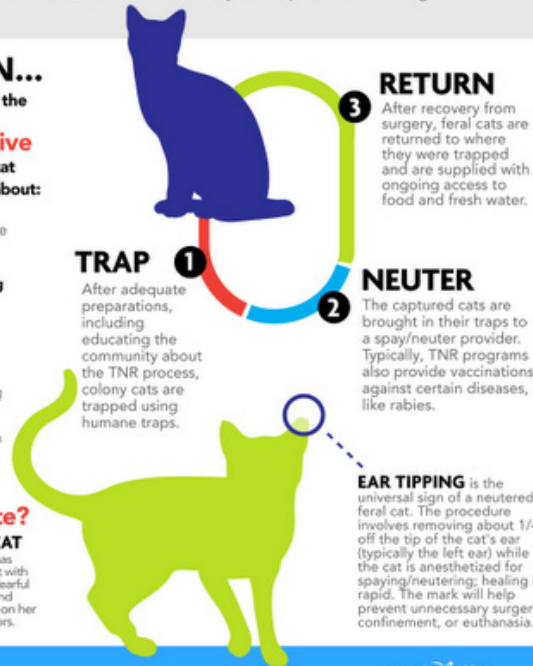
the SOLUTION...

Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) is the **only method proven to be humane and effective** in controlling free-roaming cat population growth. TNR is about:

- ✦ Population control and permanently reducing the number of cats in an area
- ✦ Lowering cat intake into shelters, thereby lowering shelter euthanasia rates
- ✦ Reducing the spread of disease
- ✦ The returned, spayed/neutered colony guards its territory, discouraging unneutered cats from moving in and beginning the cycle of overpopulation anew

What's the difference?

STRAY CAT	FERAL CAT
A tame cat who has become lost or has been abandoned; she has been socialized to people at some point in her life.	A cat who has little contact with humans, is fearful of people and usually lives on her own outdoors.



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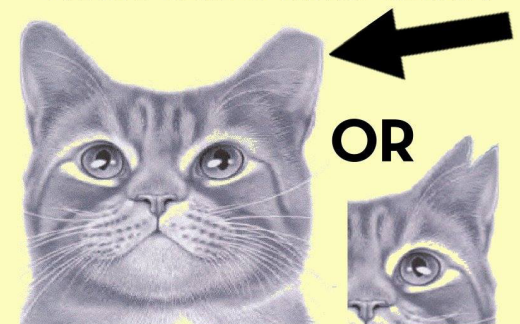
Cats can reproduce starting at just **4 months old** and do so **RAPIDLY** – potentially more than **2 million cats** in **8 years** from just **1 unspayed female!**

Be part of the solution! Let us know if you have cats who need to be fixed.

WHY PETS SHOULD BE FIXED, TOO

- Increases life span and overall health by preventing certain types of cancers, ovarian infections, enlarged prostates, hernias, etc.
- Decreases behavioral problems, such as roaming, fighting, spraying, litter box issues, etc.
- Helps control populations (there are enough cats and dogs in the world needing homes)

Have you seen cats with ears like this?



These cats have been "ear-tipped" or "notched". This is a surgical alteration showing that a free-living cat has been spayed/neutered. It's part of "TNR", which means "Trap", "Neuter", "Return".

These cats should never be re-trapped or brought to a shelter, unless sick. Instead, they should be left in their neighborhood to provide cat population control. Studies have shown by just being there, they prevent other cats from moving into the area. And, because they have been fixed, they will never have litters of kittens.

Even if you don't like cats, TNR ear-tipped cats have an important job to do in keeping your neighborhood a nice place to live.