

Help Operation Kindness Care for Increased Number of Kittens During Spring Season

In Texas, March through October is known as kitten season, when shelters see an increased number of kittens in need of care.

CARROLLTON, Texas (April 16, 2023) – Spring has finally begun, which means kitten season is also in full swing. While the arrival of adorable furballs might seem like a delight, it also brings to light the urgent need for proactive measures to ensure the well-being of these tiny creatures and their feline counterparts. At Operation Kindness, the staff and volunteers are dedicated to spreading awareness about the significance of spaying and neutering, alongside providing avenues for compassionate souls to contribute to their mission.

Why Spaying/Neutering is Crucial

Kitten season refers to the time of the year when cats reproduce prolifically, typically beginning in spring and peaking during warmer months. Without intervention, this phenomenon can lead to an influx of homeless kittens, exacerbating issues related to overpopulation and straining resources within animal shelters.

Spaying and neutering are powerful tools in curbing this cycle. Not only do these procedures prevent unplanned litters, but they also offer a myriad of health benefits for cats, including a reduced risk of certain cancers and behavioral problems. By spaying or neutering your own pets and advocating for others to do the same, you're playing a vital role in ensuring a brighter future for feline communities.

Other Ways You Can Help

Adopt a cat or kitten – Consider opening your heart and home to a rescue cat or kitten. By adopting from shelters like **Operation Kindness**, you're providing a second chance to animals in need while also making space for incoming strays.

Become a bottle-feeding foster – Neonatal kittens, especially those without a mother, require round-the-clock care and nurturing. If you have the time and dedication, becoming a **bottle-feeding foster** can be a lifesaving endeavor. Operation Kindness provides training and support for foster caregivers, equipping them with the knowledge and resources needed to care for these vulnerable kittens.

Donate to support our work – Operation Kindness operates a <u>neonatal kitten nursery</u>, where skilled staff and volunteers provide specialized care to orphaned and at-risk kittens. Your donations help cover medical expenses, supplies and other essential costs associated with running the nursery. Every contribution makes a tangible difference in the lives of these tiny creatures.

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About Operation Kindness

Operation Kindness, a 501(c)(3) non-profit animal welfare organization, operates a lifesaving animal shelter and programs to assist people and pets. Founded in 1976, Operation Kindness is a pioneer in Texas for assisting animals in need of veterinary care, companionship and most of all, a home. In addition to pet adoptions and lifesaving medical care, Operation Kindness' programs provide foster care for vulnerable animals, behavior and training support for pet parents, affordable veterinary services for community pets, a pet food pantry, volunteer opportunities and professional training. To learn more about Operation Kindness, please visit their website at www.operationkindness.org.

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