

FULL CIRCLE CATS

2024 IMPACT REPORT



LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Ten years! We had a fantastic time at our 10th Birthday Party in September – a milestone event celebrating a decade of saving cats, promoting spay/neuter, and making a lasting impact in our community. It also marked the official launch of our new name: Full Circle Cats!

Each year brings new challenges in rescue and animal welfare, and this year was no different. We saw a rise in requests for help, especially from people wanting to take action in their own neighborhoods. In response to this enthusiasm, we expanded our workshops into a full education program. We are now offering more sessions and topics, including beginning and advanced TNR (trap-neuter-return), bottle babies, ringworm, and socialization. We also created an online resource library, which was released alongside the launch of our new website!

With spay/neuter needs growing, empowering the community is key to multiplying our impact. In our Beginning TNR workshops, we train folks on getting started, how to use traps, and answer everyone's great questions about TNR and the cats in their community.

We know the heartbreak of finding tiny orphaned kittens when there's no option but to intervene. However, neonatal kittens are often turned away by shelters due to lack of resources and capacity, so teaching others how to care for them is critical. We can't take them all, but we can help others do so by offering our Bottle Babies 101 workshops.

At the heart of it all is still spay/neuter. No matter how many kittens we foster or rehome, prevention is everything. Our community cat and TNR efforts remain the center of our work, whether it's building clinic partnerships, transporting cats, guiding community members through complicated situations, or trapping in the wee hours of the night. These cats continue to make up the largest number of cats that enter our various programs.

None of this would be possible without you. Thank you for standing with us – and with the cats – every step of the way!

With gratitude,

Kirstin Cummings
Executive Director



WHY FULL CIRCLE CATS?

From our beginnings as a group of volunteers doing trap-neuter-return in West Oakland, we have grown dramatically in the past few years and are launching into our next chapter. The name Full Circle Cats reflects our mission and where we are headed.

Full Circle is about stopping the cycle. The core of all cat rescue comes down to spay/neuter to end the overpopulation crisis. It is at the heart of our mission. There will never be enough resources and homes for all the cats born on the street unless we take action and prevent it from happening in the first place.

Full Circle is about evaluating every situation. Working out in the community is never just about scooping up kittens. Taking a holistic approach means spaying and neutering, providing medical care, finding paths to adoption, connecting to resources, or all of the above. No two situations are the same and we take them case by case to try to find the best outcome.

Full Circle is about caring for cats at every stage. From bottle feeding the most vulnerable newborns to providing hospice care for cats that are ready for a retirement off the streets, we are there for them.

Full Circle is about tackling the big picture. We don't shy away from challenges in our community and in animal welfare. We gather data and information about the cats, the colonies, and our operations in order to make the best decisions and the greatest impact.

Full Circle is about building community. This means working together, spreading awareness and education, and approaching everyone with compassion and understanding. We're all on the same team. Let's learn and grow together.



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BY THE NUMBERS

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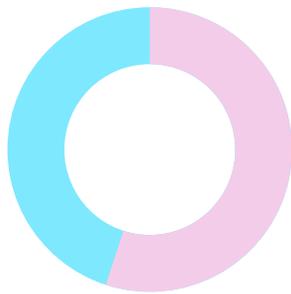
TOTAL
SPAY/NEUTER

171

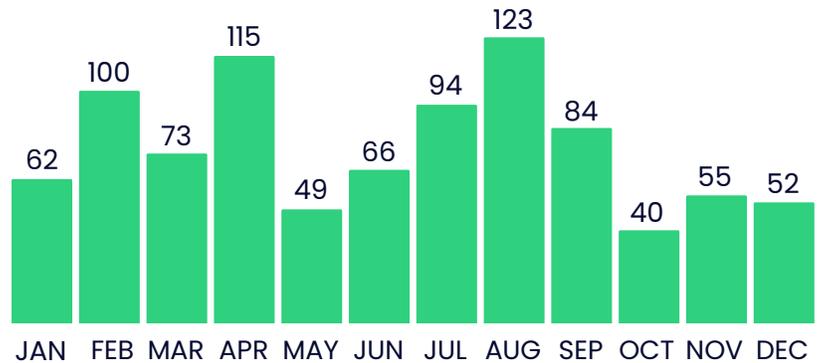
CATS ENTERED OUR
FOSTER PROGRAM

72/96

ADOPTIONS/
TRANSFERS



55% OF CATS FIXED
WERE FEMALE



NUMBER OF
SPAY/NEUTERS BY MONTH

136

VOLUNTEERS AND
COMMUNITY MEMBERS
TRAPPING CATS

11

EDUCATIONAL
WORKSHOPS

33%

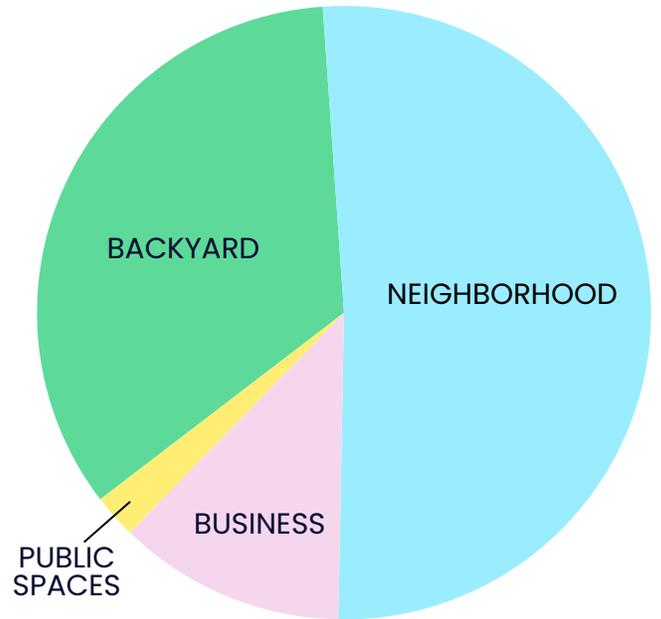


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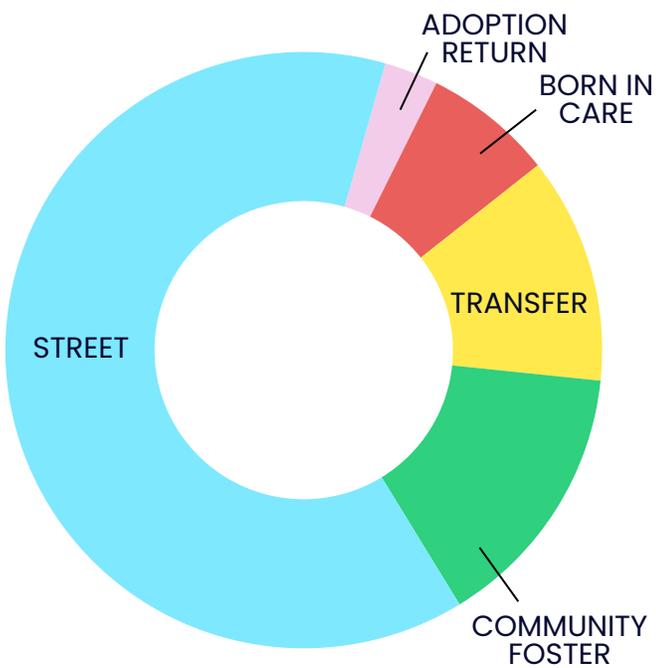
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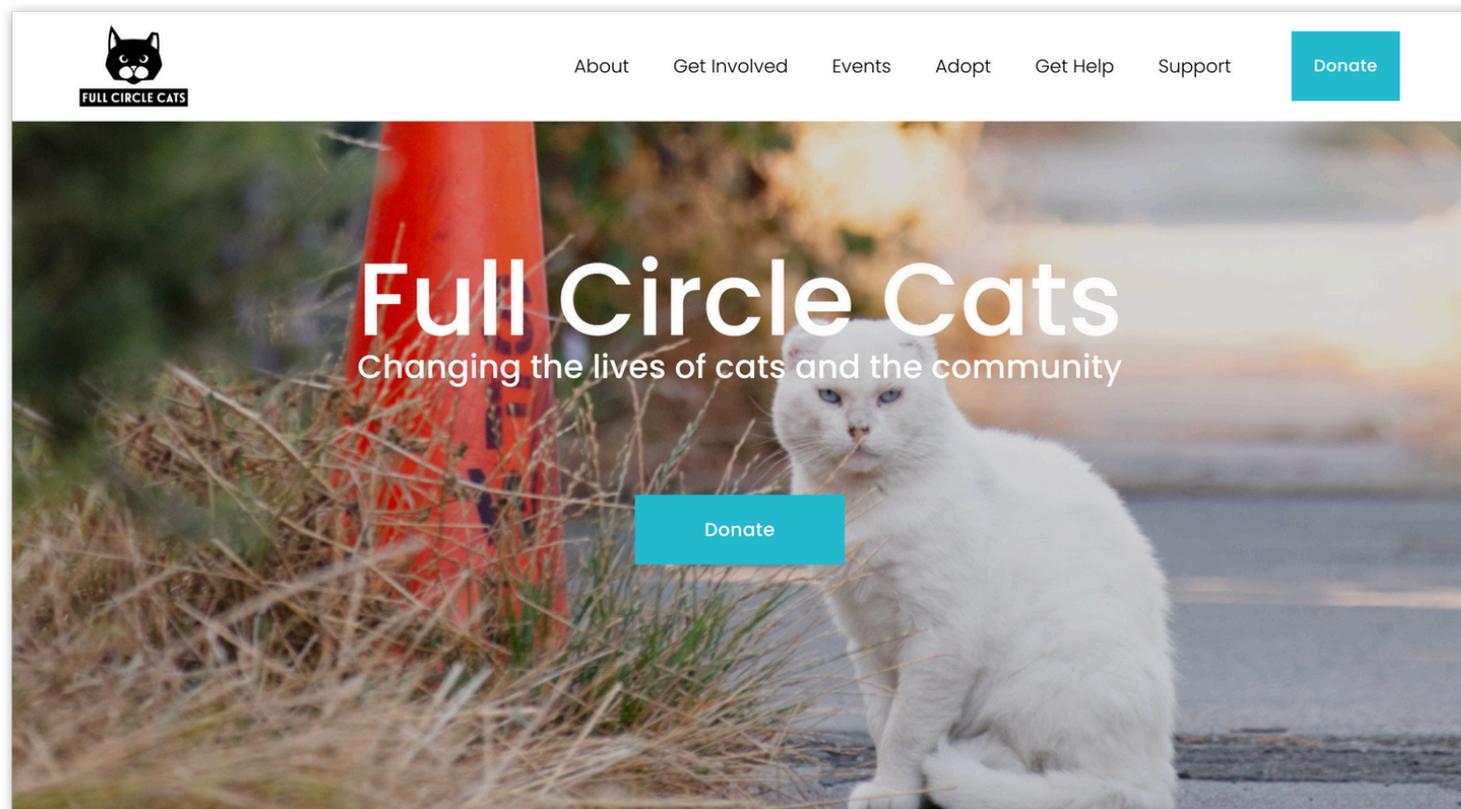
TNR COLONY TYPES



CAT INTAKE SOURCES



WEBSITE LAUNCH



We launched an entirely redesigned website this year — part of our broader rebrand when we announced our new name! Its design and content reflects our extensive growth over the past few years. We look forward to continuing to grow and expand our resources and support.

- **Streamlined Contact Forms** – Reaching out is now quicker and more user-friendly, collecting the information we need up front.
- **Expanded Resources** – Find updated guides, tools, and information all in one place.
- **Improved Navigation** – A cleaner layout makes it easier to explore and stay informed.
- **Online Shop** – Purchase Full Circle Cats merchandise from anywhere.
- **Support Full Circle Cats** – All the ways you can make a difference, in one place.

A few of the resources available on the new website



[What are Community Cats?](#)



[How to Trap Community Cats](#)



[Found Kittens?](#)

OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY



We celebrated a decade of cats and community at our 10th Birthday Party in September!

One of our favorite moments was asking everyone at the party to raise their hands for how long they had been a part of the Full Circle Cats community. There were people who had been with us since the beginning all the way up to folks who had only recently learned about us. It's so wonderful to see our community growing!

We also held our first ever online silent auction as part of the event, allowing folks to bid on everything from bottles of wine to helping cover the cost of a spay surgery.

Cheers to all we have accomplished together and all we will do in the future!





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