

The LSACAB recommends you keep your cat indoors. Outdoor cats are at risk for getting diseases, parasites, injuries, attacked by dogs and run over by cars.

Please keep your pet cat inside for its safety.

If your pet cat is an outdoor cat, please have your cat spayed/neutered, micro-chipped and vaccinated against rabies.

If lost or stolen, or mistaken for a feral cat, the microchip will aid the vet in locating you!

Only responsible pet ownership education, low-cost spay/neuter for pets, stricter laws for animal abandonment will solve the problem.

Taken care of a feral cat or colony? Please contact the LSACAB. We would like to be aware of the feral cats and colonies within our area and who are taken care of them.

Feral Cats are considered wild animals. When you are taking care of feral cats in your area, please be considerate of your neighbors!



www.alleycat.org



LOWER SOUTHAMPTON TWP
ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD
MEET AT THE
LOWER SOUTHAMPTON TWP LIBRARY
1983 BRIDGETOWN PIKE
FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH
7:00 PM

We Welcome all Residents
and

New Neighbors

To Visit Us With Your Animal
Related Inquiries

Please look for our articles published in
the Lower Southampton Township
Community Newsletter.

Please look for our announcements on the
Lower Southampton Twp Community TV
Channel

If you wish assistance with TNR, please
contact the LSACAB for information on
rescue groups that assist homeowners
with their feral cat problems.

It is not the responsibility of the LSACAB
to take care of feral cats and wildlife. We
are here to advise and educate the resi-
dents of the area as it relates to TNR pro-
cedures, wildlife and animal welfare.



**Lower
Southampton
Animal Control
Advisory Board
(LSACAB)**

Feral Cats Living In Your Neighborhood



215-357-1300

Be A Responsible Pet Owner,

have your pet spayed or neutered.



Feral Cat Information

Alley Cat Allies

7920 Norfolk Ave, Suite 600
Bethesda, MD 20814-2525
240-482-1980 or www.alleycat.org

Cat Tales Inc. Animal Rescue

Po. Box 165, Warminster PA 18974
pablo@cattalesinc.org
215-933-6900 or www.cattalesinc.org

Feral Cat Vets

Animal Hosp of Richboro

700 N. Second St Pike, Richboro, PA 18954
215-322-9900

Forgotten Cats

511 Davisville Rd., Willow Grove, PA
302-429-0124 (only open on Tuesdays)
<http://www.forgottencats.org>

TNR - Please call for an appointment.

If you are not sure which organization to contact, please call the LSACAB at 215-357-1300.



TNR - The Solution

Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) is a humane and proven effective alternative to the cruel and high cost of the trap-kill method of feral cat control.

Feral cats are trapped and brought to a low cost spay/neuter facility. Once spay/neutered, the cats are returned to their location where their caregiver will continue providing care.

Feral cats, treated with TNR, will no longer reproduce. Once ferals are neutered, nuisance complaints significantly decrease as there is no more fighting over females or mating behavior, spraying urine decreases.

TNR ferals will:

1. not reproduce - numbers will decline
2. be much less likely to provoke nuisance complaints - less howling - less spraying.
3. provide a public service by controlling local rodent populations
4. by keeping nuisance animals to a minimum or away, such as skunks, ground hogs, possum, raccoons, etc.

What may happen if you Trap and Remove?

By removing feral cats from the area, you will be allowing nuisance wildlife into the area.

You may discover;

1. ground hogs destroying your lawns,
2. rabbits eating your gardens,
3. possums rummaging through your garbage,
4. raccoons attacking other wildlife in the area,
5. allowing more feral cats into your area who are not TNR.
6. rats and mice in your home

By removing the ferals, you will have provided a void that will need to be filled by others, it is called the "Vacuum Effect".



TNR - The Procedure

Before you trap, familiarize yourself with the TNR process. Plan your "trap" day in advance.

- Prepare the cats for trapping by feeding on a schedule and in a designated feeding area.
- Determine how many traps and vet appointments you will need to schedule. This will depend on how many ferals need to be spayed/neutered.
- Research and set appointments with TNR Vet Specialists in your area. Some vets and/or clinics only have certain days of the week they accept ferals. You must call ahead of time and set up an appointment.
- Rent or purchase Hav-A-Heart traps and understand how they work ahead of time. Test the traps to make sure they work.
- Withhold food 24 hours before trapping, and you are ready to start trapping.

Trapping

- On the day-of trapping, prepare the traps by placing wet tuna fish in a small plastic container inside the back of the Hav-A-Heart.
- Place a cover slightly to the end of the Hav-A-Heart, this will help in reducing stress to the feral cat once it has been captured. It will give it a safe place to hide inside the trap.
- Set the traps in the designated feeding area.
- Watch for trapped feral cats and from a distance.
- Once a cat is trapped, cover the trap entirely, this will help keep the cat calm.
- After securing the traps in your vehicle, head to the veterinarian or clinic for surgeries that day.

For more information, please visit Alley Cat Allies website at <http://www.alleycat.org>.

