

Welcome!



Fostering 4 Rock Stars

Learn How to Rock Kitten Season!



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cat adoption team



Poll: Who Are You?



Cat Adoption Team's Foster Program



- 1 Foster Coordinator
- 100 Foster Families
- 1000 Moms & Kittens

Why Have a Foster Program?

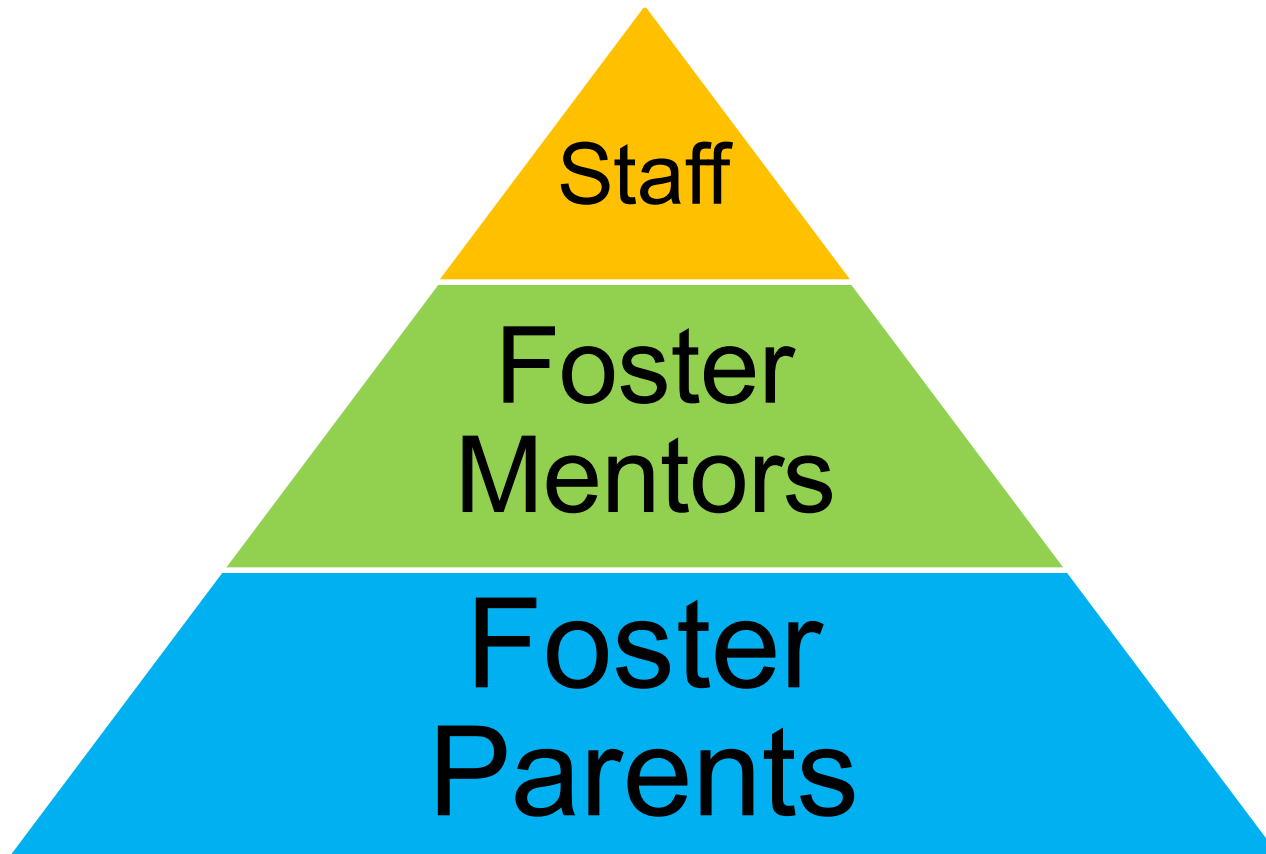


X-Factors for Success

- Structure!
- Medical Protocols
- Training
- Mentors
- Baby Bags Full of Supplies
- Pre-adoption
- Money for the Program



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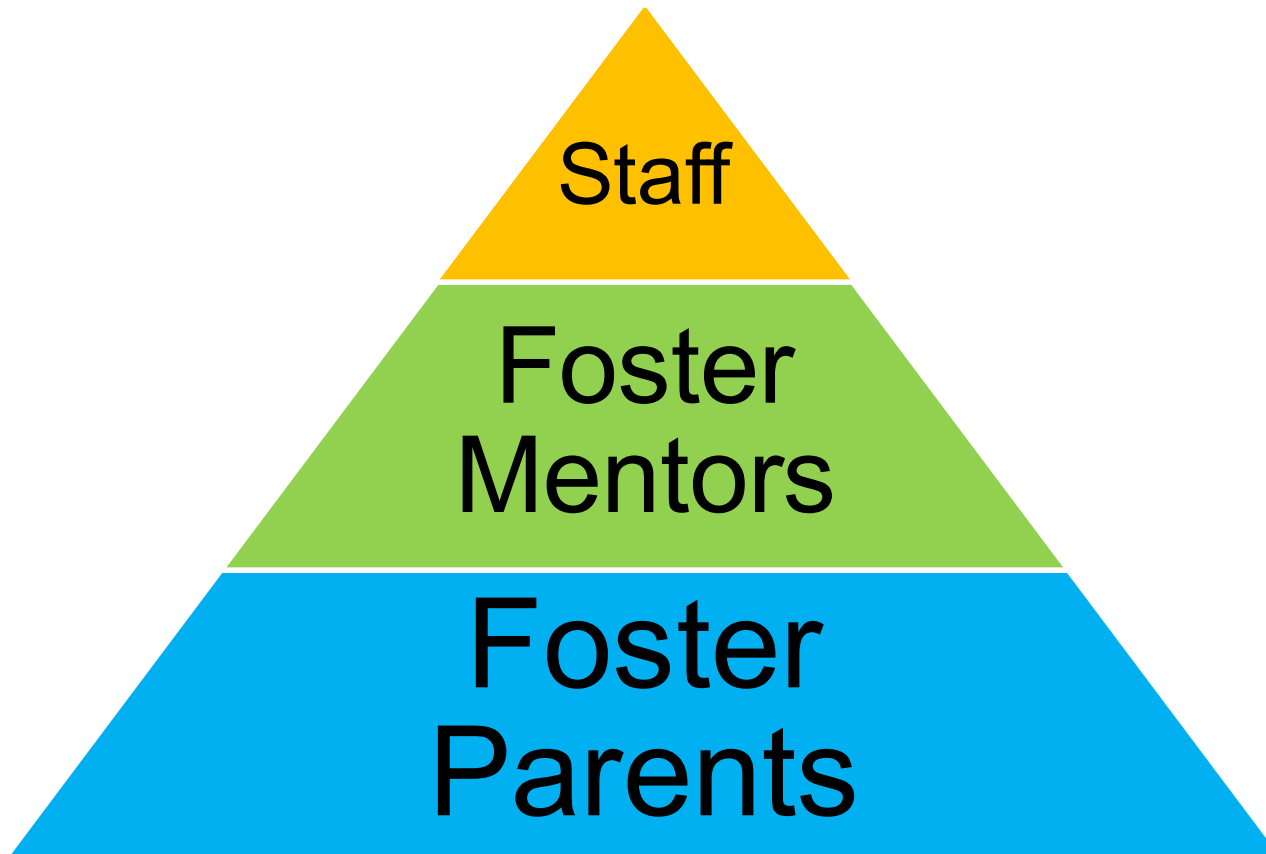


Staff Support



- All Aboard!
- Medical Protocols
- Training
- Trust the People and Program

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Mentors

- Knows Your Program Well
- Good with Cats and People
- Medically Trained
- Trustworthy



Mentors – Responsibilities/Training

- Calls and Emails
- Available After-Hours
- Travel to Homes
- Recognize Illness
- Vaccines
- Sub-q Fluids



Mentor Resources



- Mentor Manual
- Training
- Quarterly Meetings
- Mentor Google Group
- Resources to Call
- Permission to Advise
- Mentor Bag

Mentor Supplies

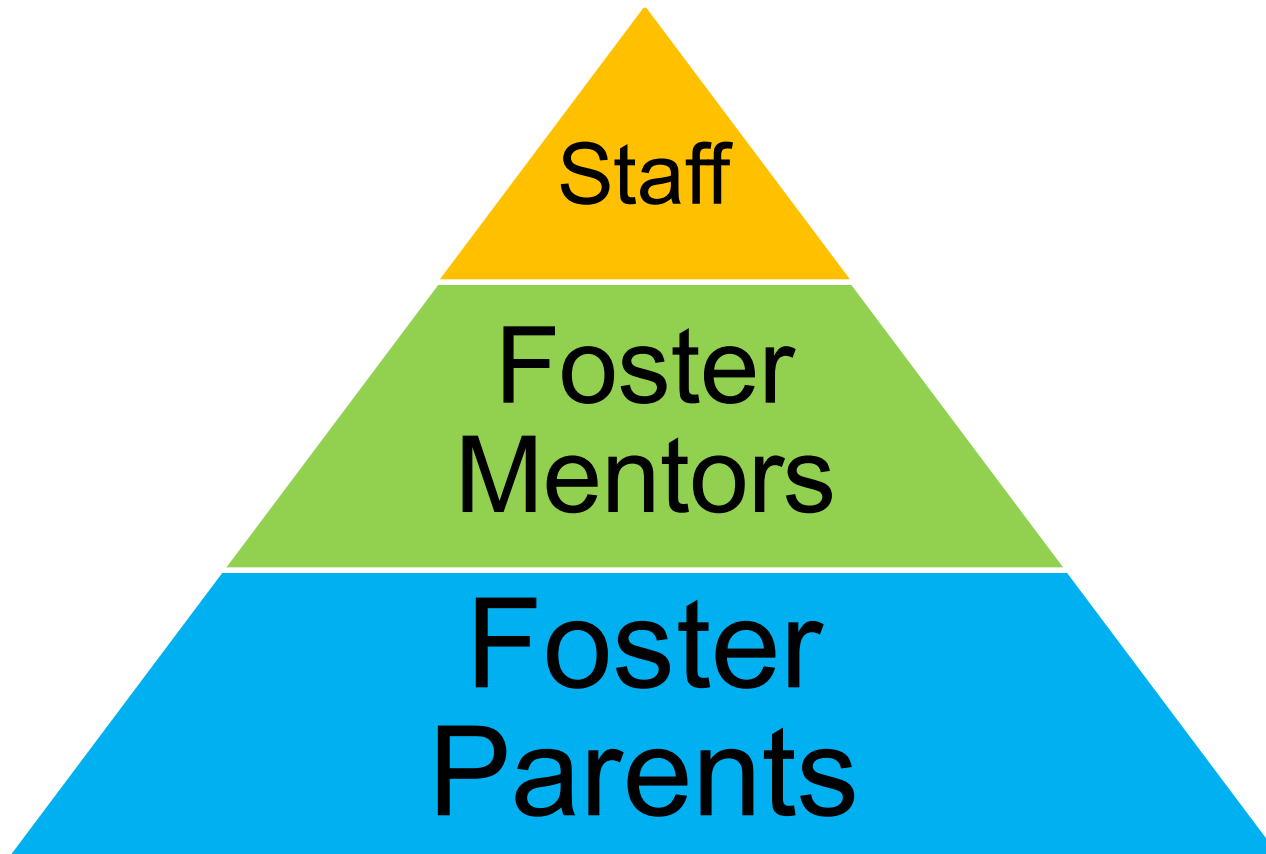


- Gloves
- Karo syrup
- 1ml and 3ml syringes
- Baby shampoo/wash cloths
- Flea comb
- Amoxicillin
- Digital Scale
- Quick Read Thermometer
- Rubbing alcohol/lubricant
- Strongid
- Nursing kit/KMR (4 wks. & under)
- Fecal container
- A&D ointment
- Nail trimmers
- Fortiflora
- Hand sanitizer
- Different canned foods
- Small vaccine cooler
- Note pad and paper
- 1 bag of LRS (fluids)
- Sharpie to mark the sub-q bag
- Scalp vein sets 23G/19G
- 50 ml syringe
- 18G needles
- Gauze pads
- Little Noses saline
- Old plastic peanut butter jars for sharps
- Long cotton swabs

Emergencies



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Recruit Your Rock Stars!



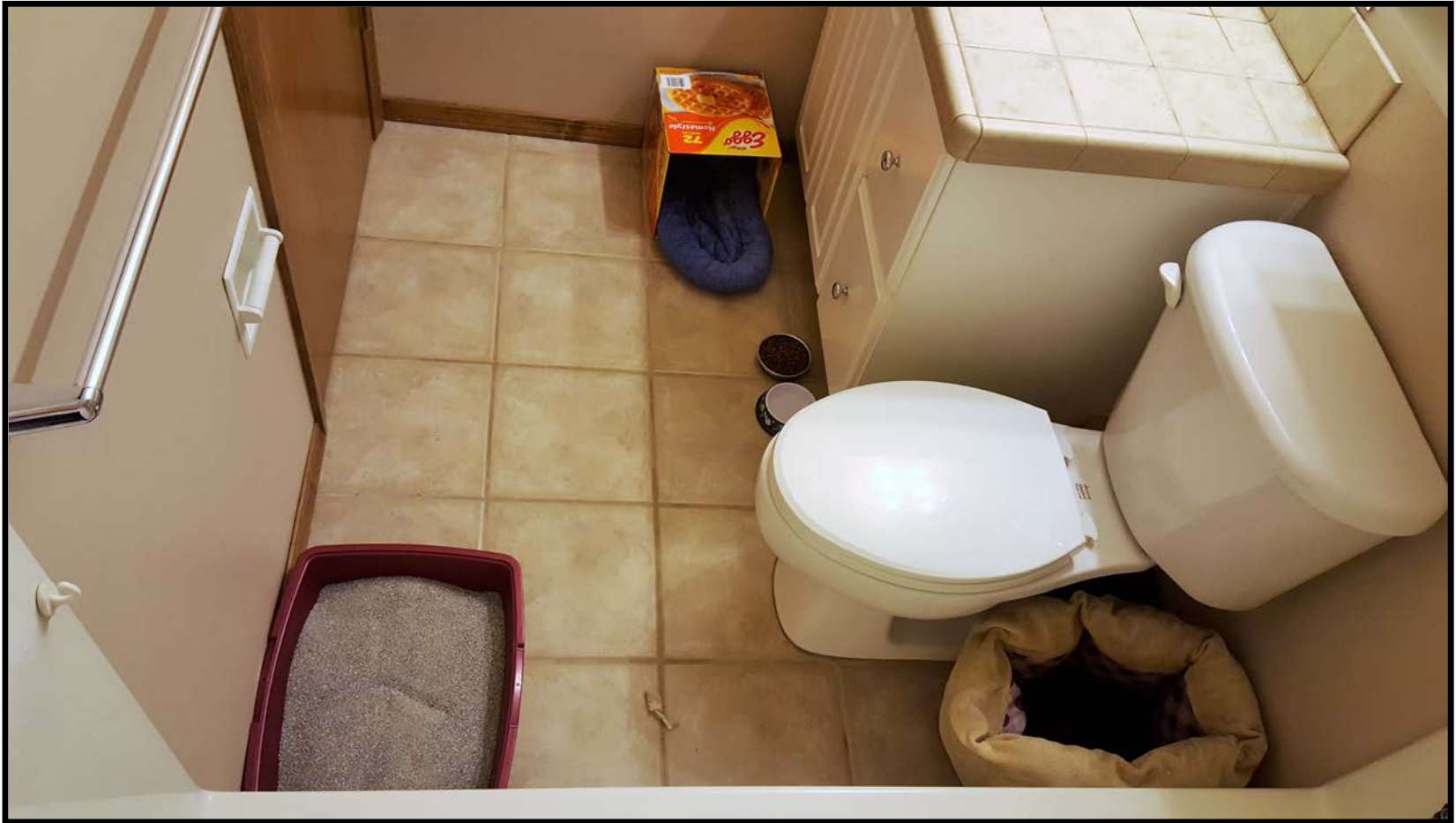
- #1 - Word of Mouth
- Current Volunteers
- Website
- Social Media
- Local Media
- Events

Foster Parents



- Foster Training
- Foster Manual
- Limits
- Toxic Fosters
- Continuing Education
- Assigned a Mentor

Room Set-up



Supplies



Successful Intake = Successful Foster Parents

- Home Matches Need?
- Have a Plan (if possible)
- Be Selective



← This OR That →



Calling All Foster Parents

- Group E-Mail
- 1-Hour Phone List
- Fosters in Waiting
- Proper Placement



Find Them Homes!



Pre-Adoption:

- Must Meet Kitten
- Adoption Counseling Done
- Adoption Fee Paid
- Ownership Transfers After S/N Surgery
- This Is Not a Hold!
- Saves Two Lives

Adoption Events

Meet Our



TRAVELLING CIRCUS!

UNDER THE BIG TOP!



KITTEN ADOPTION EVENT
SAT, JUNE 24TH 10AM

Cat Adoption Team's
Kitten Palooza



More than 75 kittens waiting to meet you
Saturday 10am-6pm
June 29 (last adoption starts at 5:30pm)



KITTEN PALOOZA

Cat Adoption Team
Saturday, June 25
10 am - 6 pm

14175 SW Galbreath Dr
Sherwood, OR 97140

KITTENS! GAMES! SALES! FUN!

Spay/Neuter



- 8 weeks/2 lbs.
- Increase Surgery Capacity
- Personality Profiles Filled Out
- Space at the Shelter
- Going Back to Foster

Thank Them/Retention



- Personalized
- Take the Time
- Send a Card
- Recognition

Program Expenses

- Intake Expenses
- Baby Bags
- Spay/Neuter
- Make a Budget
- Increased Shelter Expenses
- Track What You Spend
- Fundraise to Offset Expense



Kitten Baby Shower



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Foster Coordinator information

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Find everything your organization's foster coordinator will need to make his/her job easier. Below are links to documents that provide a way to track your foster parents, prepare baby bag tags, and includes detailed job descriptions for staff and volunteers.

About the documents in this section:

- [Baby Bag](#) documents — to provide your volunteers with the tools they will need to make a difference
- [Budget worksheet](#) — this is a tool to help you estimate what the program might cost your shelter
- [Data Tracking Sheet](#) — for analysis of your program year after year
- [Foster Parents Tracking](#) — helps you keep track of your foster homes, what they like and don't like to foster, what part of town they are in, and when they are ready to foster again..
- [Intake Guidelines](#) — strategies and procedures for taking in litters and assigning them to foster homes
- [Manuals](#) — details to provide to your volunteers about fostering or mentoring
- [Sample Kitten List](#) — a marketing tool to let the public know where your kittens are and when they can be seen for pre-adoption; this will allow you to track all aspects of your program, including how many foster parents, groups, deaths, and from which intake sources. This is helpful even if you use Shelter Buddy or other software
- [Temporary Foster homes](#) — the pros and cons for why to use temporary foster parents. Remember to give them the same training and have the same expectations of them as your regular volunteers
- [Training and retaining](#) volunteers — tips, tricks, and materials for volunteer training and retention

Baby Bag

[Baby Bag Protocol \(docx\)](#)

[Baby Bag Tag \(docx\)](#)

[Baby Bag Tag Instruction Sheet \(docx\)](#)



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