



Cat Chat

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Special Edition: Box Kitty Update

As I sit and hold my new foster I am overwhelmed with emotion. I look at her frail body as she seems only content on my lap snuggled close. Five months old and she has lost an eye due to untreated infection. She is terribly thin, and her skin and coat are terribly compromised. When I touch her, she gently leans toward me to be loved, yet still hesitant. Most of our box kitties arrived with such issues as: suffering from malnutrition, ear mites and fleas. Some were in worse condition like our little "sad sack" who was just released from emergency care. Others are being treated for parasites, eye infections, and upper respiratory infections. We don't know where they came from or what their lives were like before they arrived, but one thing is for sure; their lives are about to change! Within a very hectic two weeks every single one has been vetted, Felv/Fiv tested negative and several have already been spayed/ neutered.



I can't imagine what we would do without our wonderful volunteers who dropped everything to rush to the needs of these cats. Also contributing to their care: VCA Sinking Spring, Wyomissing Animal Hospital and Berks Emergency Vet (who graciously squeezed them into their busy schedule— you've always been there when we needed you!) THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!! Also, our wonderful supporters such as YOURSELF! We go into autopilot when a situation like this happens and try to do everything that needs to be done. Then, we quickly realize how blessed we are to have YOU, our surrounding community, who steps up to help us in every way they can. From lending a hand, to offering support, to dropping off donations. We are so touched by all of your support. The funds that we received have been able to help our most critical of all "Sad Sack" who was just featured in the Reading Eagle. <http://readingeagle.com/article.aspx?id=335909> At this time it is still hard to determine the number of funds still needed for their care as their treatment continues. Many of them are still too underweight to be spayed/ neutered at this time.



Now for our most exciting news.... We are happy to announce our first box kitty that is up for adoption, Jezebel! This super sweet kitten was all anxious to leave the vet and get on her way to the adoption center. This little girl will steal your heart with her charm! She is easy going, yet playful, and loves to be cuddled. Now who could ask for a better cat than that! You can visit her at the Wyomissing PetSmart location.

As much as I don't like to have the cats brought to the shelter this way, I wouldn't want them anywhere else. Here is where they are going to get the care, the love and the second chance at life that they so deserve.

To make a donation to the box kitty fund please go to

<http://www.petfinder.com/shelters/PA02.html>

or by mail: One By One, Inc, PO Box 226, Kutztown, PA 19530

We hope to have pictures of all our box kitties available for you soon. Please checkout our website for the most up to date information.