



Mission

The MRFRS is a nationally recognized, nonprofit, volunteer-driven organization committed to ensuring the health and welfare of feral and domestic cats and kittens by promoting proactive, compassionate, no-kill programs.

History

Founded in 1992 in Newburyport, Massachusetts to address the feral and homeless cat population on the Newburyport waterfront.

Services

- Adoption Center/Shelter
- Surrenders (stray and owned cats)
- Foster Care
- TNR Support (trap rental and instruction)
- Behavior Resource Hotline
- Low-cost rabies & microchipping clinics for cats and dogs 3 clinics each year
- “Bridge Program” foster care for cats with owners in emergency situations
- Catmobile Program operating throughout Eastern MA Mobile clinic provides low-cost cat spay/neuter for stray/feral, owned and shelter cats

Service Area

Adoption Center intake program serves Essex County coastal region including: Amesbury, Byfield, Newbury, Newburyport, Salisbury, West Newbury, and Seabrook, New Hampshire. Catmobile travels to over 30 cities and towns throughout eastern and central Massachusetts.

Animal Census

CATS IN CARE AS OF 5/31/17: 173

- Incoming: 651
- Adoptions: 685
- Reunited with Owners: 25
- Euthanized: 15 (medical)
- Died in care: 4
- AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY:
Adult cats: 38 days
Kittens: 41 days

Governance

MRFRS is a not-for-profit 501c3 organization with a 14-member governing board. EIN: 04-3172322

Spay/Neuter Statistics

- Owned cats: 3,333
- MRFRS cats: 306
- Feral/Stray cats: 1,292
- Cats from other organizations: 888

TOTAL: 5,819

Special Programs

CARE FOR LIFE
Sheltering and adoption of Feline Leukemia-positive cats and cats with other chronic health issues, with lifetime coverage of associated vet care costs
CCF [CAPTAIN COURAGEOUS FUND]
Assists caretakers of feral and unowned strays
FARS [FELINE ASSISTANCE RESOURCES AND SUPPORT]
Subsidized veterinary care for low-income cat owners
SENIORS FOR SENIORS
Fee-waived adoptions for people over 60 adopting cats over 5

Volunteers

- Shelter cat care, foster families, Sunday feral clinics, and other activities: 205+
- Approximate hours donated annually (all activities): 19,000

Staff

- 17 member staff; 5 full-time, 12 part-time
Liz Pease, Executive Director
Cindy Bernard, Catmobile Hotline Operator
Dr. Deborah Brady, Catmobile Veterinarian
Nancy Bowes, Adoption Coordinator
Jane Carolan, Catmobile Hotline Operator
Lucy Devlin, Adoption Counselor & Cat Care
Britney Fox Hover, Shelter Manager & Medical Coordinator
Kerri Gigliello, Catmobile Program Manager & Assistant Bookkeeper
Patty Lyon, Catmobile Veterinary Technician
Stephanie Lyon, Marketing & Development Coordinator
Sara Morandi, Catmobile Veterinary Technician
Gaye Piechowiak, Adoption Counselor
Janet Rogers, Shelter Volunteer Coordinator & Cat Care
Jennifer Sanchez-Gaudet, Cat Care
Maryann Skinnion, Catmobile Hotline Operator
Jamie Viator, Facilities & Cat Care Coordinator
Melissa Witherspoon, Cat Care



Physical Plant and Vehicles

Conveniently located from Routes 95 and 495 on Route 110 East in Salisbury, MA, the shelter is a converted residence with approximately 2,000 square feet of usable space. The physical plant, situated on .5 acres of land, includes: four cage-less colony adoption rooms (which double as offices and a reception area) on the main floor, an intake room accommodating up to 12 cats, an isolation room with caging for 10 cats, a small laundry area, supply room (which doubles as an office), two storage rooms and one dedicated office located on the basement level. Onsite parking accommodates approximately 10 vehicles. MRFRS’s two Catmobile vehicles are self-contained 33-foot mobile spay/neuter clinics. The original is a 2008 GMC, the second is a 2012 Ford; each vehicle requires a stationary charging center. The shelter maintains a charging station on site and there is a secondary site in Holliston, MA.

Finances FY 2017

BUDGET:	\$1,271,381	
REVENUE:	\$1,024,755	
Fee for Service/ Program Revenue:	\$442,954	43%
Contributions & Events:	\$468,291	46%
Grants:	\$105,000	10%
Bequests:	\$200	0%
Investments:	\$8,310	1%
EXPENSES:	\$1,126,421	
Animal Care and Programming:	\$897,833	80%
General and Administrative:	\$170,613	15%
Fundraising:	\$57,975	5%
Audited Financials Available for 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013		



Collaborations

- Intakes: 20 agencies statewide
- Spay/Neuter
Baypath Humane Society
Charles River Alley Cats
Fitchburg Friends of Felines
Lowell Humane Society
MSPCA Boston and Nevins Farm
Quincy Animal Shelter
57 other groups statewide
- Animal Control
Towns of: Merrimac, Newburyport, Newbury, Salisbury, Amesbury
- Other
Newbury Animal Hospital
Salisbury Council on Aging

Partnerships

MSPCA NEVINS FARM
Activity: Monthly feral spay/neuter clinics at Nevins conducted by MRFRS & MSPCA volunteers; program serves 400+ animals annually

Lifetime Total of Cats Assisted

- Adoption: 20,847
- Spay/neuter: 68,750
- Total cats assisted since 1992: 116,715

Memberships

- Massachusetts Animal Coalition (MAC)
- Newburyport Chamber of Commerce
- Salisbury Chamber of Commerce

Special Distinctions or Notables

- 8,864 MRFRS Facebook followers
- 7,003 Catmobile Facebook followers

MRFRS Mentoring Program
Initiated in 2012 for animal rescues nationwide to enhance spay/neuter initiatives and capacity building; through 2015 MRFRS assisted 22 groups, impacting 9,000+ animals.

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