



What FCCO does

The Feral Cat Coalition of Oregon (FCCO) provides spay/neuter clinics where caregivers bring in the feral cats they feed. In addition to surgery performed by licensed veterinarians, the cats receive basic medical care including vaccinations.



Through our clinics, we not only prevent the births of future generations of kittens, but we also improve the quality of life for each individual cat. And, as importantly, reducing the number of cats living outdoors saves the lives of birds and other small wildlife on which cats sometimes prey.

Founded in 1995, FCCO is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization supported solely through donations. We suggest a \$30 donation per cat for our services.

If you're feeding feral or outdoor stray cats, call FCCO today.



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Feeding a feral
or stray cat?
Know someone
who is?

*Helping feral and outdoor stray cats
in our communities since 1995*


*“Many have forgotten this truth, but you must not forget it. You remain responsible, forever, for what you have tamed.”
—Antoine de Saint-Exupery*



Focus Point Pictures



Mission: The Feral Cat Coalition of Oregon is dedicated to the humane treatment of feral cats and to the prevention of future generations through spay/neuter programs and education.

Our 50,000th Cat

What is a feral cat?

Feral cats are untamed domestic cats. They live outdoors on their own and are former pets or the offspring of former pets.

Feral cats belong to no one but were created by everyone, *making them community cats*. Since their ability to survive on their own is impaired by domestication, without help from people the cats suffer unnecessarily.

There are an estimated 60 million feral cats in our country. They live in our communities and caring for them isn't one person's responsibility; it is all our responsibility. However, feeding alone isn't enough, the cats need to be spayed or neutered. The Feral Cat Coalition of Oregon can help.

Why are there so many cats?

- People let their cats roam free without being spayed/neutered.
- Kittens can have kittens. Cats are able to reproduce at as young as 5 months of age.
- The average length of pregnancy is just 60 days.
- Females can have 2 or more litters per year with males fathering far more kittens.
- People don't get their cats spayed or neutered before the cats reproduce, and then give the kittens away without having them spayed/neutered first.



Cat overpopulation

Cat overpopulation is a serious problem. In 2010, nearly 18,000 cats were euthanized in Oregon—many of them because there simply are more cats than available homes.

Reducing feral cat population

Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) works.

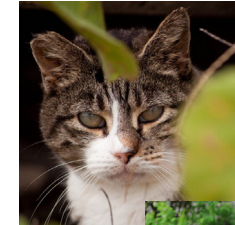
TNR humanely reduces feral cat populations. Caregivers who are feeding feral cats trap them in humane live traps, take the cats to be spayed/neutered and vaccinated, and after they are recovered, return the cats to where they are fed. Adoptable cats or kittens are removed and placed into new homes whenever possible. TNR directly reduces the number of cats breeding, and this approach allows for outreach about the importance of spaying and neutering so more cats may receive care.

Not feeding the cats does not work.

Unless there is another food source nearby, the cats won't leave the area. Instead they tend to come closer as they grow desperate to find something to eat. A cat can go without food for sometime and continue to breed. Trying to starve out cats results in hungry, unhealthy animals that are vulnerable to disease and parasitic infestations.

Trap and remove does not work.

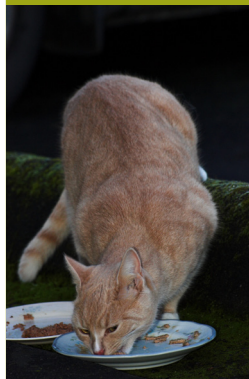
When cats are trapped and removed from an area, new cats move in to take advantage of the available resources, and quickly form a new colony.



Be part of the solution

- Spay/neuter your cat. Help friends and family do the same.
- Spread the word about FCCO and encourage anyone feeding feral cats to contact us.
- Don't allow your pet cats to roam free—keep your cat indoors or safely confined to your property.
- Do not abandon a cat or her kittens.
- Volunteer your time to help feral cats.
- Donate to FCCO to support our much-needed services.

Please don't look the other way and hope the cats go away. They live in our communities and they need your help. FCCO is here to help you.



FCCO is a non-profit organization. Our services are supported solely through donations.



We have traps available and easy to follow trapping instructions on our website at feralcats.com