

Whisker RESCUE

2014
Annual Report

Charity Registration Number: 851423426RR0001
www.whiskerrescue.com

2014 Celebrations

\$119,857 for Medical & Foster Care

\$54,661 in Donations!

229 Red Deer rural cats fixed

2231 Total Cat Adoptions

342 Adoptions in 2014

*Message from
the Board* ♥

*Who
Rescued
Who* ♥

Enriching Lives, one cat at a time.

Whisker Rescue has enriched many lives this past year, feline ones for sure, but also human lives. This past year has brought us to ponder who rescued who? The cats we rescue provide us with love & devotion and ultimately make us better humans. Here are just a few examples of how cats have rescued humans this year:

Working like a CAT! Whisker Rescue placed cats with their fur-ever families, but also gave them a job: keep the home mouse-free. Some houses had tried all types of extermination processes to no avail. That is, until their newly adopted felines came to the rescue!!

Not So Solitary! Whisker Rescue cats used their second chance at love to give humans some much needed companionship. One of our cats now resides at a Bethany Care Centre and ensures the seniors there have quick access to purrs and snuggles. Another cat now sits happily on the lap of a gentleman who is housebound and confined to a wheel chair.

Healing Heartbreak! We often receive heartfelt thank you notes from those who adopt our rescue cats. Each letter inspires Whisker Rescue to keep going. One family wrote that they had recently suffered the loss of their son/brother and sharing love with their newly adopted cat had helped them with their grieving.

As board members of Whisker Rescue, we are so thankful for the opportunity to experience moments when cats rescue people! None of this would be possible without the generous time & donations given to us by our volunteers, foster homes, and supporters! Thank you all!

We could kiss you right meow!

Stacy Worobetz: Founding Executive Director
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Terra Leslie: Director
Terry Warke: Director

Riji Mu. Butters
Summer Lebe Blitz
Blackjack Grandma
Snowy Ted Rochester
Hazel Miracle Nora

Blessed are the animal rescuers.
They have fallen in love a thousand times.

Ziva kiva
Boo Feather
Maple Spirit
Lavender Moe
Elton Rod
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This year we asked our volunteers to contribute thoughts which speak to the question:
Who Rescued Who?

The cats have made me a better person by showing me how great it feels to do something for others, animals or people, without wanting anything in return.
-Di Webber, City of Red Deer Mayor's Volunteer Recognition Award 2014

Sometimes the best part of my week is the time I get to spend loving up the cats and kittens.
-Linda Willard, Edmonton Petsmart Volunteer

After a trying day at the office it is both a comfort and an inspiration to be entertained by a room full of kittens that give a great example of how to be carefree.
-Randy Mayes, Red Deer Foster Home

It lifts our spirits and fills us with such joy while spending time with the cats (and kitties). Each one is special and unique, wanting only what we all want: the opportunity for love. It is a true privilege to be a Whisker Rescue Volunteer. We only hope we brighten their day and hearts as much as they brighten ours.
-Laura, Jayden & Krista, Edmonton Petsmart Volunteers (Mom & kids team!)

Dear Artie, I rescued you & you gave nearly 16 years of unconditional love and companionship, when often I had no one else. Thank you Artie, miss you.
-Marcia, Rural Edmonton Area Volunteer

Amazing how small furry bodies with huge hearts can so easily pull at the strings of ours!
-Marny Focht, Edmonton Volunteer Photographer

Thank you Volunteers! We could Kiss You Right Meow!

2014 brings new program!

CALICO.

Caring About Low Income Cat Owners

- 🐾 FREE food and cat litter to any citizen in need
- 🐾 Subsidized cat spays & neuters for low income cat owners

Because Whisker Rescue believes:

Our job is not to judge.

Our job is not to figure out if someone deserves something.

Our job is to lift the fallen, to restore the broken, and to heal the hurting.

Purrrramedics on scene

Whisker Rescue ensures each cat within every program receives professional medical care. Both slight & severe health problems are our priority. Community members & veterinary clinics in Alberta donated funds to Whisker Rescue and together we helped heal many stray cats! Here are a few cases from 2014:

Cooper: hit by car

Flo & Peanut: trauma & fractures

Mavis: starvation/malnourishment

Stash: frost bitten tail & ears

Todd: severe bite wound & spinal injury

**Our mission is
to rescue.
Our dream is that one
day we won't have to.**

Save All Souls Running a no-kill rescue

6 Seniors

specializing in senior cat 2nd chances

4 Barn Buddies

free-spirited fixed felines for farmers

3 Special Needs

complicated kitty cases covered

25 Purrrmanents

resting in retirement

We mourn the loss of Sylvester, Cleo, Mitzi, Mavis, Komodo, Larry, Geri, Hazel & 5 newborn kittens in 2014.

Fundraising Events

50/50 Raffle

Cash Cans

Evergreen Greenhouse BBQ

Gift Baskets

Global Pets Photos with Santa

Global Pets Show Us Your Heart Campaign

Grant Writing

Halloween Alley Fundraiser

Online Hot Water Tank Campaign

Pioneer Lodge Christmas Sale

Portraits by Marny

Red Deer Bingo Centre

Red Deer Jackpot Casino

Renaissance Tattoo Fundraiser

Silent Auctions

T-shirt & Catnip sales

Whisker's Fundraiser Tradeshow

Whisker Rescue Garage Sale

♥ We can't help everyone. ♥
But everyone can help someone.

Veterinary Services

Blackfalds
Veterinary Hospital

Deer Park Pet
Hospital

Lacombe
Veterinary Centre

Cedarwood
Veterinary Hospital

Edmonton Animal
Care & Control
Centre

Montrose Pet Clinic

Central Animal
Clinic

Guardian Veterinary
Centre

Piper Creek
Veterinary Clinic

Alix & Pat Alix
Debi Armstrong
Mary Ellen & Stuart Ashman
Lara Devitt & Dwayne Holmberg
Chara Goodings
Kristen Greanya
Leanne Letourneau

Guardian Angels

Amy Lockhart
Randy & Shauna Mayes
Jade Rogers
Raul Rosas
Brandon & Alexandra Rowsell
Wayne & Susan Soldan
John & Diane Webber

-Alberta Animal Services---Alley Cats Rescue (Red Deer)---Athabasca Animal Control-
-Barrhead Animal Rescue Society---BlackGold Kennels (Leduc/Beaumont)-
-Dennis Benzer, Edmonton feral cat colonies---Edmonton Animal Care & Control-
-Edmonton Humane Society---Klassic Kennels (Central AB)---Medicine River Wildlife Centre-
-Olds College Animal Health Tech. Program---Paws & Claws (Central AB)-
-PetSmart Charities of Canada---Red Deer & District SPCA-
-SAFE Team (Edmonton)---Supporters of Alberta Animal Rescue (SOAAR)-

Rescue Network

Thank you to all our supporters!

♥ Your support is a gift,
♥ generously given,
♥ happily accepted,
♥ & deeply appreciated.

With love,

Whisker
RESCUE