



# Victoria Cat Rescue Corps Society

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## VCRC Christmas Newsletter 2021

Dear Valued Supporters,

This year we decided to do things a bit differently. Rather than presenting the Scratching Post, we are dedicating this Christmas letter to you...*for all that you make possible!* We want to share with you some examples of how your donations were spent and what you have made possible, and to introduce you to a few of our thriving friends.

We've had an incredibly busy year! We rescued over 150 cats & kittens who were brought into our adoption program. We also spayed/neutered over 200 cats through our financial assistance program and through our feral cat program. Without these programs, these cats would have either been at risk of harm or contributed unnecessarily to increasing our community's cat population.

At this time, we have over 50 felines in our care. They are not yet ready to adopt, but they will be in the new year. In the interim, they are being cared for by our warm, loving foster families.

We have been fortunate to have so many in the community step up to foster. This has allowed us to help so many cats. Over 20 active foster homes welcomed our new rescues into their homes for care. Fosterers are the lifeblood of rescue; without them we can't help cats. We are very grateful for our wonderful foster families.



### MEET LEXI:

Lexi was trapped with 5 feral kittens only to find she was pregnant with these 9 kittens. 70% of feral kittens don't usually make it.



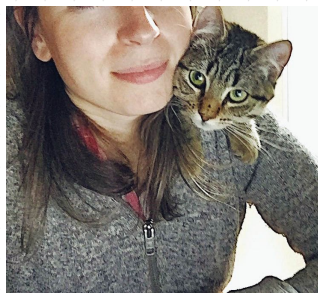
### MEET SYDNEY & TOKYO:

They are **looking to be adopted** together. They are loving 5 1/2 months old, trusting, loving and confident. They are good with dogs.

Through the blessings of donors who have given so generously in the past, we were able to increase the number of rescues this year. Our board of directors voted in favor of doing as much as our funding allowed. For those cats needing help now, maintaining our current level of service was the best decision.

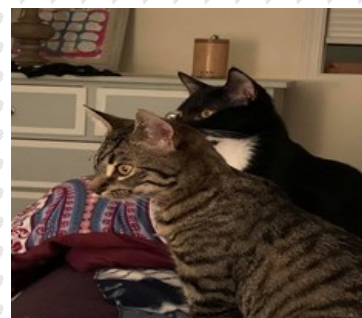
However, with the impact of the pandemic in its second year, our funds this year have been significantly reduced and are strained. With the challenges of COVID, we have had to cancel our fundraisers for a second year. Many people are continuing to face trying financial times, and we have seen a decline in donations. There has also been a significant increase in the cost of cat & kitten food. And in addition to that, a large group of cats rescued needed significant medical interventions.

This large group of felines was part of a farm's feral colony. Each feline that came in was in dire need. They were very sick, and many would not have survived had we not intervened. We are being asked to help spay/neuter and rescue the remaining cats at that farm. We anticipate that 20+ cats are needing rescue and judging by our previous efforts, they will all need medical attention in addition to spay/neuter. Several will be looking for caring barn homes, so if you or friends know of suitable homes, please do get in touch with us, as they will need places to go once healthy.



**MEET CLEO**

A smaller group of three adorable little kittens, with very strong spirits and a will to live also needed to be hospitalized at our emergency hospitals. Again, our board voted to give them every possible chance despite facing unprecedented vet bills. Our darling Cleo was just one of those kittens and we are so thankful that she was able to get the care she needed. She is thriving and has been adopted into the same loving home that had previously adopted her two brothers.



**MEET  
PIXIE & TINKERBELL**

Pixie & Tinkerbelle are **up for adoption!** Tink had a broken leg after being thrown from a moving car.

These cuddle bugs follow foster mom everywhere & are ok with a gentle dog.

We know COVID has been hard on everyone, but if you are so inclined, we would welcome any donations - no amount is too small, and it all goes directly to help disadvantaged cats.

Without your generous support past and present, we would not have been able to increase the number of cats we helped during this pandemic. Our hearts are filled with joy and gratitude towards our loyal members.



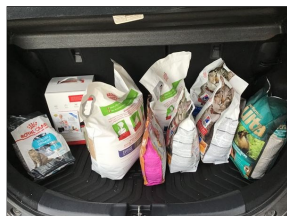
**MEET DENVER & REUBEN**

Denver & Reuben are bonded brothers **waiting to be adopted.** Lots of confidence & full of personality. Please reach out to us if you feel you are a good match for any of these adoptable kitties.

We hope you enjoyed seeing some the cats that you were able to assist this past year and we look forward to being able to continue to help many cats in the coming year. Please feel free to share the attached brochure with your friends.

**Thank you!**

Kim Esau, President VCRC



So grateful to **Bosley's on Yates Street**

for another fabulous donation

Donations like these are so very helpful! ❤️

This one included high quality food, litter as well as many toys and a beautiful scratching post for our foster kittens!



***Your donations make such a difference!***

***You can e-transfer donations to: victoriacatrescue@gmail.com***

***Or Mail a cheque to:***









***Victoria Cat Rescue Corporation Society, Box 5478 LCD9, Victoria B.C. V8R 6S4 Phone: 250 656 1100***





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Barb trapped on farm & syringe fed to survive,	Barb After VCRC Rescue Intervention	Zack's ears turned out due to malnourishment	Zack after nourishment & treatment for severe URI
			
Apollo rescued with severe respiratory issues	Apollo after treatment with antibiotics & good nutrition	Mama & kitten rescued & adopted into loving home	Bonded brothers are looking for a home together

## Programs Funded By Your Donations

In order to reduce suffering and unwanted or uncared for animals, the VCRC assists with...

**Spay/Neuter Program:** We offer financial assistance to eligible low-income pet owners to spay/neuter their cats in partnership with certain vet clinics in Victoria. This program is greatly appreciated by many loving cat/kitten owners throughout the lower island.

**Trap, Neuter & Return Program (TNR):** We work with the community to trap and neuter feral cats throughout the lower island. We also assist with some on-going food distribution in various situations.

**Adoption Program:** We work to find homes for our rescued and rehabilitated kittens and cats. Adoption cover vaccines, vet checkup, worm medications, spay/neuter and microchip.

**Medical Treatments:** All of the VCRC rescued cats are provided medical treatments to support their quality of life prior to adoption.

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