



What is TNR: T ----- TRAP
 N ----- Neuter
 R ----- Return



THE PROBLEM

Currently, it is estimated that there are between 60 and 100 million stray and feral cats in the United States

Lack of action and ineffective approaches have resulted in a serious population problem. Attempts to rescue feral/stray cats and find them homes is neither feasible nor possible given the numbers and limited socialization. A feral cat is primarily wild-raised or has adopted to feral life, while a stray cat is a domesticated pet who is lost or abandoned. Both are considered free-roaming and can lead to population issues.

THE SOLUTION

Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) is the only method proven to be humane and effective in controlling free-roaming cat population growth. TNR is about:

- Population control and permanent reduction of the number of cats in an area
- Lowering the number of cat intakes into animal control facilities, thereby lowering euthanasia rates
- Reducing the spread of diseases



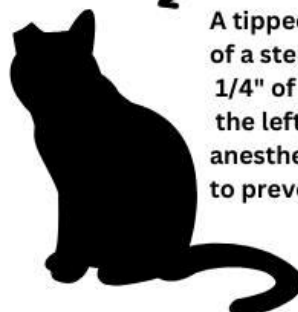
After adequate preparations, including providing community education, community cats are humanely trapped. The HSoFHC provides traps when available.

Humanely trapped cats are transported to the HSoFHC who will facilitate spay/neuter services and appropriate vaccinations.



After appropriate surgery, recovery and treatment, the cats are returned to the HSoFHC where they can be picked up and returned to where they were found.

What does a tipped ear mean?



A tipped ear is the universal sign of a sterilized cat. Approximately 1/4" of the tip of the ear (usually the left ear) is removed while under anesthesia. It heals rapidly and helps to prevent unnecessary recapture

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