

GIVE CATS NINE LIVES

LIFE #1: THE UNT FERAL CAT RESCUE GROUP

- Started in 1998 to humanely reduce and manage the feral cats that were living on campus
- A **feral cat** is one that was dumped or abandoned and through fear, is attempting to survive on it's own. It could also be one that was born to a feral mother and has never been socialized to human beings.
- Using **trap, neuter and return (TNR)** we have successfully managed 250 cats to date.
- TNR indicates a cat has been neutered, vaccinated and is healthy.
- Volunteers help feed, trap, foster tame cats and help with fund raisers.
- For more information and to volunteer go to our website <http://orgs.unt.edu/feracat>



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LIFE #2: FERAL CATS

- A **feral cat** is one that was dumped or abandoned and through fear, is attempting to survive on it's own. It could also be one that was born to a feral mother and has never been socialized to human beings.
- Removing and euthanizing does not work. However, Trap, Neuter and Return (**TNR**) does effectively and humanely reduce the feral cat population by neutering and stopping the reproduction cycle.
- There are 80+ million feral cats in the U.S.
- There will always be feral cats. You can have them one of two ways:
 1. Unhealthy and reproducing, or
 2. Healthy and not reproducing-(TNR)
- For more information: go to Alley Cat Allies a national organization – <http://www.alleycat.org>



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LIFE #3: SPAYING & NEUTERING

- Neutering reduces your pet's chances of reproductive cancer by 90%. This includes breast, ovarian, uterine, and vaginal in females and testicular and prostate in males.
- Spaying (females) and neutering (males) is routine surgery and is relatively safe. Sterilized pets remain loving and protective companions.
- Approximately 12 million animals are euthanized in shelters each year in the U.S. Reduce unwanted animals by sterilization before your pet has a litter.
- Neutering male pets often reduces fighting, roaming and scent marking.
- In a 6 year period, one female dog and her offspring can produce 67,000 puppies. One female cat in the same period can produce almost 420,000 kittens.
- In Denton - Denton Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic.
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