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The Cat Connection Annual Report 2017

Mission

The Cat Connection is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit no-kill organization whose primary mission is to rescue abandoned, stray, abused, neglected, unwanted, and injured cats, and to facilitate their adoption into responsible permanent homes. The second part of its mission is to control the feral cat population through our Trap-Neuter-Return-Maintain (TNRM) program, and trapping and socialization of feral kittens. To reduce cat abandonment, surrender, and unwanted breeding by pets, TCC supports low income families through spay/neuter vouchers, financial assistance for acute vet care, food and supplies. TCC serves the towns of Waltham, Watertown, Newton, Belmont, Arlington, Lexington, Allston, and Brighton.

Summary for FYE 2017

The Cat Connection has made great progress reducing the feral and stray cat population in Waltham and surrounding cities for over 16 years; however, there are more stray or abandoned cats needing rescue and cats in the foster system needing permanent homes. To address this, The Cat Connection is working to open a shelter to add to its foster home network. TCC has engaged a Realtor to help find a space that is both affordable and fit for purpose. The Capital Campaign Committee has created a Case Statement for Operation Shelter, the official name of the Campaign.

To prepare for the financial and organizational transition into a permanent shelter, The Board of Directors has focused on implementing the Strategic Plan that was developed during the last fiscal year. To facilitate communication, The Board of Directors started the Cat Chat program, wherein anyone can meet with Board members in an informal setting.

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Financial Summary for FYE 2017

The greatest expenses for this year were for veterinary care (\$69,803) and cat supplies for our fostered and colony cats (\$21,060). The largest income sources in 2017 were from regular donations (\$51,660), grants (\$15,000), and adoption fees (\$10,992). We are so grateful to all our donors and the vendors who support us, including Petco, Pet Supplies Plus, Especially for Pets, Watertown Savings Bank, Pet Source, Belmont Pet Shop, Bird Precision, and to our vets who give us discounted service for cats, including Commonwealth Vet, Pet Haven, Vescone, and all the individuals and businesses who donated items for our annual calendar raffle and yard sales. We appreciate fundraisers held by The Chateau, Jake n Joe's, Muse Paint Bar, Art Lounge, Charming Charlie, LuLaRoe,

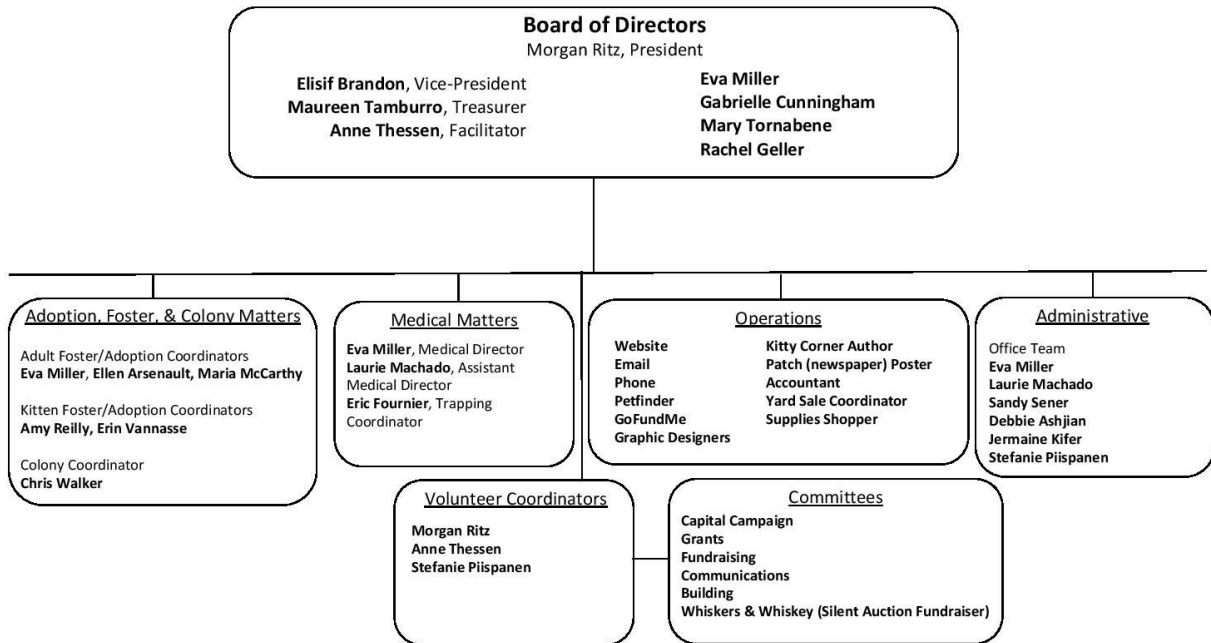
First Parish, Booster, Melting Pot, John Brewer’s Tavern, Keefe Technical High School, Bark for Life, Arsenal Mall and Barnes & Noble in Burlington.

Officers and Board of Directors FYE 2017

Morgan Ritz, President
 Elisif Brandon, Vice President
 Mary Tornabene, Treasurer
 Erin Vannasse, Secretary

Gabrielle Cunningham
 Janet Lucas
 Eva Miller

Organizational Chart



TCC Cat Report 2017 (calendar year)

Cat Intake/Outcomes for 2017	Number of cats or colonies
Total Jan 1	145
Total Received	144
Average Colony Size	2.4
Number of Colonies	16
Total Adoptions	96
Spay/Neuter	116
Euthanized or Died	23
Total Dec 31	137

TCC Donors FYE 2017 (in alphabetical order)

Julia Altman	Carole Cuny	Kathryn Katsenses
Haifa Amra	Ellen Dacey	Sharon Kelly
Nicole Anguish	Carol Dargie	Edward Kelly
Elizabeth Archer	Annette Dayie	Susan & Claude Kinsman
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Kathryn Bigda	Mark Ellis	Ann Marie LeMiere
Diane Biggins	Larry Espling	Christina Libertini
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Larry & Linda Connearney	Kate Halstead	Leonard Meek
Linda Coxall	Sarah Harpaz	Michael & Madeline Menzie
Leslie Creedy & William Powers	Louise Harrison Lepera	Mark Miller
Ann & Earl Criel	Florence & Howard Hashem	Paul Morenberg
Carl & Gabrielle Cunningham	David Hobbs	Robert & Jane Murch
	Annie Hollis	Margaret & Ronald Nix
	Barbara Huggins Carboni	Marie Claire Ordning
	Hannah Kaplan	Michael Parad
	Linda Katsef	Holly Pearson
		Rose & Gary Penniman

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Mary Poulin
Christine Powers
William Ricci
Carolyn Richard
Linda Rigsbee
Janet Riley
Charles Ritz
Dorothy & Jeffrey Rizzo
Catrina Rueckwald
Pamela Salerno

Stephen & Eileen
Samuels
Donna & Philip Schaefer
Henry & Margaret
Schowalter
John & Mary Selig
Susan Shaw
Danielle Simonetti
Elizabeth Steele
Angela Stroupe
Leslie Teel

Lauren Terry
Jill Tierney-Harris
Mary Tornabene
Dorothy & Frank Tricone
Eric Von Berg
Virginia Walsh
Janet Wasserstein
Carol Woodworth
David & Beverly Wright
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