

9th LIFE HAWAII

MAUI'S LARGEST NO-KILL CAT RESCUE & SANCTUARY

A non-profit 501C3 Organization - Donations are tax deductible

Run Solely by Volunteers

Your entire donation goes to help the cats!

9th Life Hawaii has now sterilized more than 5,210 cats! Most of these cats were sterilized in our very own surgery room. Below Dr. Tom Chlebeczek sterilizing a female cat.



How did we do it?

With a lot of help from our friends and the Petco Foundation!

And speaking of friends, we want to thank our anonymous donor who put forth a challenge donation to reduce our rather hefty mortgage. Thanks to all the donors who participated, we reduced the mortgage by \$23,020.00. Reducing the mortgage gives us more income to improve and enlarge the sanctuary and help even more cats.

MAMA KITTY aka TAMMY FAY BAKER (Below)

Tammy Fay was brought to our recent Spay/Neuter clinic and we discovered she was in the family way. 9th Life Hawaii does not abort kittens and kill them at our clinics.



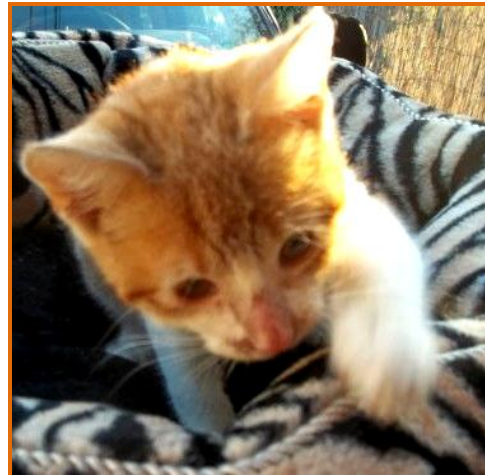
Tammy Fay (continued)

We asked the caretaker if she would let Tammy Fay birth her kittens at 9th Life so we could adopt them out. Since Mama was not kept indoors, she might have her kittens outside and hide them away. Having them outside could put them in great danger and if the kittens were not socialized to people within the first several weeks of their live, they might become feral. The caretakers agreed to leave her at 9th Life.

We anxiously await the birth of Tammy Fay's babies and if they look anything like mama, they will be gorgeous. The kittens will be available for adoption in mid April but can be seen before then. You can have your pick of the litter and we will hold your choice till the kittens are old enough to leave mama.

Call 573-3365 to make an appointment to visit Tammy Fay or one of our many adoptables. We also bring some of our adoptables to Petco every Saturday. Please do drop by Petco.

WHAT DO WE DO WITH YOUR DONATIONS?



"My name is Mark and I live on Maui. I was rescued from acute loneliness by a feral kitten whose mother lived on top of my shed. She dropped her baby in front of me and I fell in love. I started noticing that more cats lived on my shed roof. I would snag the kittens and my friend Ray and I would tame them. Ray would then sit at Wal-Mart to find them new owners.

The orange tabby above was sick with an upper respiratory infection. His eye was badly inflamed. I e-mailed Phyllis at 9th Life as I had my baby and her mother spayed at a 9th Life clinic previously. Phyllis gave me an ophthalmic antibiotic even though I had no money to pay for it. As soon as it arrived, I caught the orange tabby kitten and began taming and doctoring him.

Within a week he was well and ready for a new home. A Craig's list ad connected me with a young girl and Rascal was adopted into a loving family. They provided everything he needed, even a little dog to play with.

Thanks to Phyllis and 9th Life a great life connection was able to happen. God Bless her and the work she does." Sincerely, Mark on Maui via email

9th Life Hawaii's Retirement Villa for our senior cats.



Volunteers standing by the ladder: From left to right: Keola Sequiera, Jerry Piller, Paul Takayama, Conrad Engleke (behind Paul), Bill Immarino and John Hara. On behalf of the kitties, we are VERY grateful for their help in putting this 12' x 20' Senior Shelter together.

Unfortunately, we ran out of funding to complete the Senior Shelter. We still need to install Purrfect cat fencing around the grassy area set aside for the seniors, build cubbies and shelving inside the building, add a concrete walkway and graveled area to prevent water and mud from entering the building, install two entry gates and bring water to this area. Until we receive additional donations, we will have to put this project on hold. We estimate the remaining costs at about \$8,000.00.

Building a separate area for our seniors will allow us to monitor them closely and be on top of any changes in their behavior or medical condition. Cats are notorious for hiding their illnesses because they are prey for certain animals. Instinctively, they will hide or keep a low profile. Having them free-roaming within our two and one half acres does not always allow us to see them every day. This new cattery will keep them visible at all times. If you would like to donate towards this special project, please earmark your donation for our Senior Retirement Villa.

HAPPY ADOPTION STORIES - WE LOVE THEM

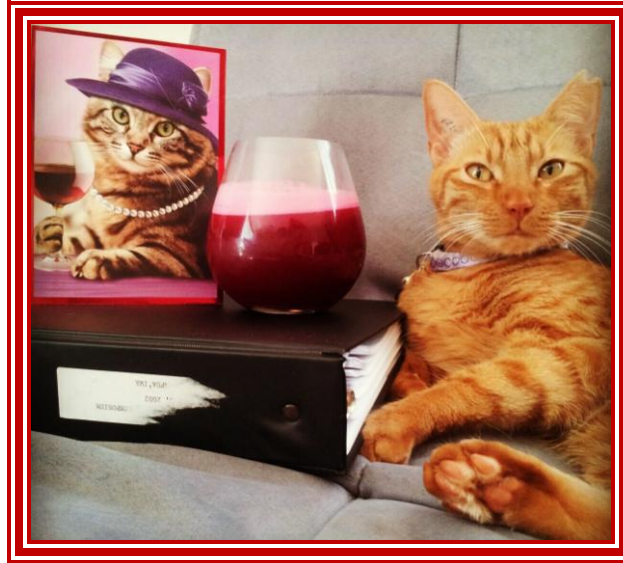
TIGER LILY (below)



Tiger Lily came to us with an opaque eye (possibly blind). She is a beautiful tabby pointed Siamese mix with a warm, loving temperament. Below is a note from the family who adopted her at 9th Life:

"Thank you again for rescuing this beautiful little kitten, and for being a No Kill organization. I am very thankful that she went to your organization instead of the Humane Society where they might have killed her for something so simple and easy to live with. And thank you for financially covering any surgery if she needed it." Sent by Heather L.

GINGER aka JACQUES (below)



From Joanne and Jacques. "Aloha, we just wanted to drop a line and let you know that Jacques is doing very well in his new home. He is a very good kitty and very loved. He is my best buddy. Thanks for helping me adopt the best valentine a girl could hope for. Keep up the wonderful work you do. Best, Joanne"

**THREE DAY OLD BABIES!
AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION MID-APRIL.**



Siamese Mix - female



Dark tabby - male



Siamese Mix - female



Please, please donate at your best level. Maui's kitties need all the help they can get. Your donations save lives and because we are run 100% by volunteers, your entire donation goes directly to help the cats.

YES, I WANT TO SAVE LIVES!

On behalf of all the kitties that need help, we ask you to please donate at your best level.

\$25 \$50 \$75 \$100 Other \$ _____

Sponsor a cat for a year (\$250.00) \$ _____

Sponsor a multi-day Spay/Neuter clinic \$5,000.00

We need donors to keep our clinics running. Partial donations for clinics are welcome. \$ _____

Earmark my donation for the Senior Retirement Villa for older cats. \$ _____

You can also set up monthly or individual donations with a credit or debit card by using the PayPal link on our website: www.9thlifehawaii.org

Donations can be mailed to:

9th Life Hawaii
Box 476
Makawao, HI 96768

Name: _____

Address: _____

Your email address _____

Those who donate \$125.00 or more will receive "Friendly Fire" Nathan Winograd's latest book. Nathan is also the author of the award winning book "Redemption, the Myth of Pet Overpopulation and the No Kill Movement in America." If you love animals, you want to read these books. For more information about the success of the No Kill Movement, please go to www.nokilladvocacycenter.org

You can buy 9th Life Tees and Tanks at Café Press

We now have our own little web store at <http://www.cafepress.com/9lh>

A portion of your purchase will be donated to 9th Life Hawaii by Café Press. We have some really cute cat-related clothing and cat-related "da kine." Check us out!



9th LIFE NEEDS HELP

We need a van, SUV or station wagon for transporting cats to and from our Spay/Neuter clinics and for picking up thousands of pounds of kitty litter and cat food. We always need cat carriers, dog houses, blankets, towels, gift cards for Ace Hardware, Costco, Del's, Home Depot, Lowes, Petco and other Maui Pet Shops. We need lumber, paint and roofing material. We need volunteers. Lots of volunteers. Call 572-3499 if you can help.

MEMORIALS and HONORARIUMS

In honor of Joseph Scuro and his pets: Sam, Salem, Sweetness, Popoki and Popoki, Jr. from Peggy Sullivan.

A very generous donation from Amy Simmons to honor Paula Marie Jones.

A generous donation in memory of Carl Olson from his loving daughter, Candace Kerber.

In Memory of Sweetness and Popoki Sr. from Joe Scuro.

To celebrate Mary Williams's birthday, we received a generous donation from Paula & Jeff Jones.

In memory of Hank Blauer, beloved husband, father and uncle from Phyllis.

Red (left) and Bosco (right) - Available for Adoption

Waiting at Petco for their Purrfect Pal



Who said you can't buy love?

We have many cats and kittens and some special needs cats available to adopt. Call (808) 573-3365 or click on the Petfinder link on our website: www.9thlifehawaii.org to meet our adoptables. We also bring adoptables to Petco every Saturday. Come visit us at Petco.



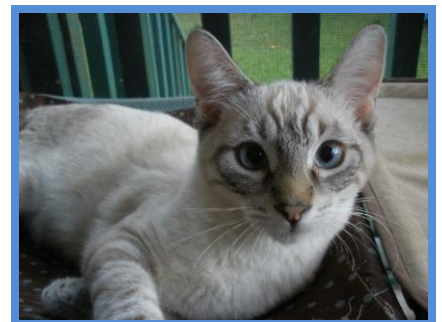
AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION NOW



Charlie's owner passed on and he misses the bed-time cuddles. Would you like to cuddle with Charlie?



Charlie and Max (above) like to sleep together. Looking for two cats?? Call us.



We have several Siamese mix kittens (like Mocha above) with gorgeous blue eyes.



Red (above) is very sweet. Plays well with others (cats). Loves to be with people.



Bosco (above) A little shy. Beautiful eyes. Gets along with other cats.



Buddy is the baby of this group. Very playful and energetic.



Raleigh is a shy girl, and a great purrer. Very friendly once she knows you.

More cats can be seen on the Petfinder link

on our website: www.9thlifehawaii.org or call us at (808) 573-3365

WHY OUTSIDE CATS ARE NOT SAFE



Smokey was shot on the street where he lived. The bullet is still lodged in his body and it did paralyze his right front leg. A generous donor covered his BIG medical bills which included amputation. Photo on the left shows Smokey with paralyzed right front leg. Photo on the right is of Smokey (after the amputation) with his best buddy. As you can see, Smokey has made a great recovery from the surgery. And believe it or not, Smokey can run with the best of them and even enjoys climbing trees at the 9th Life sanctuary. Yes, we said trees! However, on the recent photo shoot, he refused to accommodate us and climb a tree. You will just have to take our word for it.



Sadly, we lost Frankie after all. Frankie had ear cancer. In the tropics, white cats and pink nosed cats are particularly susceptible to cancer of the ears and nose. The safest place for any cat, white and all other colors is inside your home. Cats are no match for loose dogs, automobiles, poison and abuse from humans who do not like cats and use them for target practice. Outside cats are simply not safe.

WHY OUTSIDE CATS ARE NOT SAFE



Killed by a coyote. In Hawaii substitute dog for coyote.



Poisoned



Run over

What Outdoor Cats Get to Look Forward to:

Injury or death by vehicles

Poisoned intentionally or accidentally

Injury or death by fighting with other cats

Infectious diseases contracted from other cats: FIP, (always fatal) FIV, FeLV, and URI.

Parasites: fleas, ticks, ringworm

Injury or death by sadists

Injury or death by dogs or predators

Getting lost

Theft for sale as laboratory animals or "bait" for illicit gaming

Problems with neighbors: cats littering their yards

Free-roaming outdoor cats typically live less than five years, while indoor cats often live to be 17 or older. Indoor cats can be happy and are definitely healthier. Outdoor cats are exposed to many hazards including rabies, and parasites. Vet bills associated with tapeworm, ringworm, roundworm, or hookworm and flea infestations, and abscesses can be substantial. It sounds like a no-brainer to us.

