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Shelter's footprint extends to Loveland

Satellite location opened to house 'flood felines'

Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic opened a satellite location in Loveland on Oct. 7 to help increase cat adoptions after the shelter rescued a record 240 cats in September in the wake of the floods.

The Loveland Cat Adoption & Resource Center features up to eight adoptable adult cats and a litter of kittens, and also serves to make the Kibble Supply and Prevent A Litter+ human services more accessible to southern Larimer County residents.

"We're very excited to have this chance to expand and help even more people and animals," Executive Director Sarah Swanty said. "It would not have been possible without the generosity of Kelly and Ron Busby of Busby Properties, who donated the property for one month and have made it very affordable to stay longer. We plan to be there at least through January, when we'll reassess our needs."

An Open House Celebration is planned for noon-4 p.m. Nov. 23. There will be prize drawings, refreshments and special adoption fees available only at the Loveland location: \$75 kittens and "name your price" adult cats.

A combined \$19,500 in emergency grant funding from the *Animal Assistance Foundation* and *Petco Foundation* made the temporary expansion into Loveland possible.

We still have dozens of felines rescued from the floods who are looking for permanent homes. Visit www.FCCRSNC.org to see all of our adoptable cats and kittens, or to donate toward their daily care or medical needs.



A 500-square-foot corner unit in the Spring Hills Plaza at East Eisenhower and Monroe serves as FCCRSNC's new Loveland cat adoption center.



**621 E. Eisenhower Blvd.
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Your Loveland resource for:

- ♦ Adoptable kittens all the time, and adult cats, too!
- ♦ FREE pet food for flood victims needing assistance
- ♦ Retail items including T-shirts and cat care supplies
- ♦ Scheduling for clinic surgery or vaccine appointments
- ♦ Information about our Prevent A Litter+ and Kibble Supply programs, as well as applications for assistance

Are We There Yet?

THE COUNT

Adoptions
5,747

Spays/Neuters
26,078



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SAVE THE DATE: Whiskers 'n Wags Jubilee



Our annual Whiskers 'n Wags Jubilee, scheduled for March 1, 2014, is being held at a new location next year – the *Marriott Fort Collins Hotel*.

With a “Diamonds are Forever” theme, Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic has an elegant evening in store for guests. Indulge in a plated gourmet meal, shop our renowned silent auction including the Grand Cats

art pieces, and participate in an exciting live auction run by the ever-entertaining professional auctioneer Bill Seaworth.

This full night of fun is only \$65 per person. New this year we're offering half tables of 4 for \$250, with tables of 8 available for \$480.

Online registration is now open, or you can register by mail using the form below, or sign up in person at the shelter.

Please support our major sponsors:



Thank you!



There are also several ways you can contribute before the event:

♦ Did you know that all of our auction items are donated? If you would like to donate an item for the event, especially a condo stay or trip, we would gratefully accept such a gift!

♦ We also have a special opportunity for you to promote your business or honor a loved one or pet by sponsoring. You'll receive a number of benefits from sponsoring while at the same time helping FCCRSNC.

For more information e-mail:

Andrea@fcrsnc.org

Register now online! ♦ <http://bit.ly/1ajow7g> 

2014 Whiskers 'n Wags Jubilee R.S.V.P.

Complete this form to reserve your spot at the **Whiskers 'n Wags Jubilee**, March 1, 2014, at the *Marriott Fort Collins*.

Please include your check made payable to *FCCRSNC*, or fill in your credit card information below.

Qty.		Total
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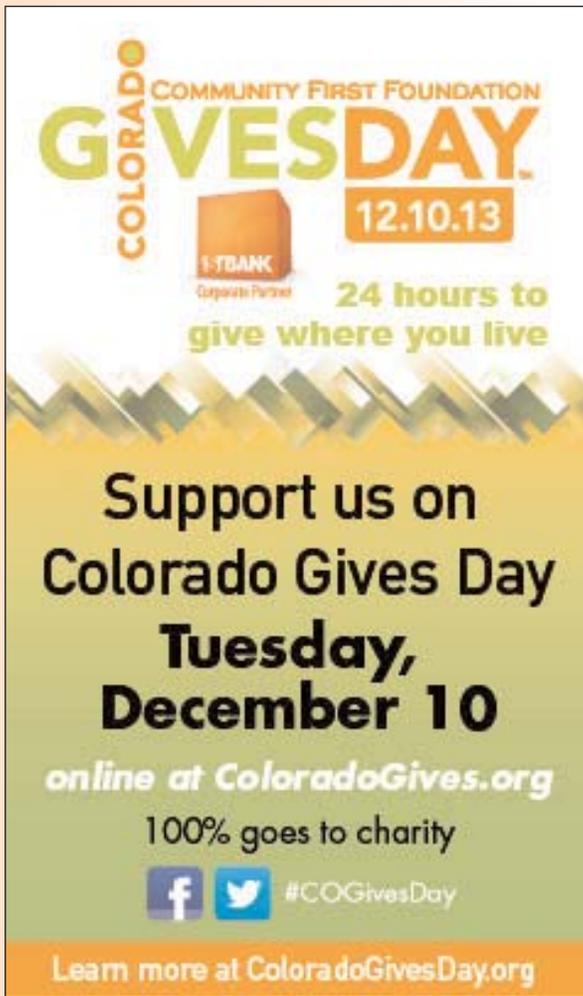
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 Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic
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 Fort Collins, CO 80524



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 on March 1!



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Colorado Gives Day is an initiative to increase philanthropy in Colorado through online giving, presented by Community First Foundation and FirstBank. FCCRSNC received \$4,545 in 2012!

This year's event will take place during a 24-hour period on **Dec. 10**. However, you can go online *anytime* before then and schedule your donation for that day! Just visit the secure website **ColoradoGives.org**, search for Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic, and give!

It's important to schedule your gift for Dec. 10 because only donations made on that date will be increased by the FirstBank Incentive Fund.

Also, 100% of your donation will come to us because processing fees are being covered that day by corporate partner FirstBank.

24 Hours to Give Where You Live!



Certified therapy cat Jake visits with a resident at Good Samaritan Fort Collins Village as part of our **Purrfect Therapy** program, established in August 2010.

The *human* side of FCCRSNC

Most everyone is familiar with our shelter's work rescuing cats and our clinic's efforts to prevent pet overpopulation through spaying and neutering.

But what many in our community may not know about is our important *human services*.

The holiday season can be a joyful time, but for some it can bring sadness or hardship. Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic has established several programs to address the needs of low-income pet owners, and others who may just need the comfort of a soft, quiet creature.

Our **Kibble Supply** and **Prevent A Litter Plus (PAL+)** programs aim to keep dogs and cats in loving homes, and out of overcrowded shelters.

We do this by offering assistance to pet owners whose income or circumstances make it difficult to provide basic care for their furry family members.

Whether it's free kibble to get them through until payday, low-cost vaccines to prevent future disease and vet bills, or spay/neuter so they aren't bur-

dened by unexpected litters, we have a service for most every need.

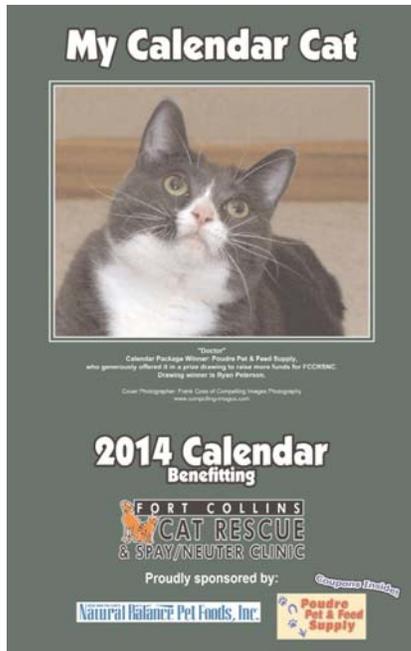
Our **Purrfect Therapy** program provides the companionship of an animal to people who may not be able to own a pet, like nursing home residents. Jake also serves as a sounding board for child victims of domestic violence and adults with disabilities.

As the season of giving approaches, please remember that FCCRSNC is more than just cats, or even dogs, it has a *human* side, too.



Volunteers Brigitte Schmidt and Craig Kozak repackaged donated pet food for our **Kibble Supply** program, established in February 2010.

2014 'My Calendar Cat' coming soon!



For sale this winter at all four Poudre Pet & Feed Supply locations

The number of photo entries for our annual cat calendar grows every year, and the 2014 calendar is no exception. We set a new record this year with over 175 beautiful kitty photos entered in the contest, and all of them appear somewhere within the 11"x17" calendar.

New this year, the calendar will be available for purchase at all four Poudre Pet & Feed Supply locations in Fort Collins (North College & Vine, Lemay & Drake, West Drake & Taft Hill, and South College past Harmony).

This year's calendar was again sponsored by both Poudre Pet & Feed Supply and Natural Balance Pet Foods and contains coupons with savings valued at much more than the calendar's \$20 purchase price.

So treat yourself, or your friends and family, to a year full of kitty photos and coupons – they make excellent holiday gifts. **Look for them starting Nov. 25!**



Clinic on track to break 2009 record for surgeries

It has been a busy year at the spay/neuter clinic – likely one for the record books. With only a few weeks remaining in 2013, the clinic is on track to surpass the 2009 record number of 4,091 surgeries performed.

We also successfully raised the funds needed to replace an aging anesthesia unit with a much more efficient one. Thanks in large part to a single donation of nearly \$3,000, we met our \$3,347

goal in a span of less than 18 hours using the online giving platform LoveAnimals.org. A \$500 grant from *On Shore Foundation* rounded out the amount needed to purchase the new anesthesia machine.

Check out the sidebar at left for a list of several other grants our clinic was generously awarded this year.

In other clinic news:

◆ Our contract veterinary surgeon Dr. Meghann Berglund gave birth on Nov. 9 to baby girl Piper Haase. While Berglund is on maternity leave, Dr. Margaret Garcia is temporarily filling her shoes.

◆ A new grant-funded, month-long surgery special was added to our calendar for 2014 – “Happy Neuter Year” in January. Up to 70 male cats and dogs will be neutered for only \$20 each for clients who mention “Happy Neuter Year” when booking the surgery.

Call (970) 484-1861 to schedule.



Veterinary technicians in our spay/neuter clinic administer anesthesia as they prepare a client's dog for surgery.



Clinic Manager James Christofferson releases a feral cat after a grant-funded trap-neuter-return effort in Wellington.

Grants Awarded in 2013 for Spay/Neuter

PetSmart Charities is funding four \$20 spay/neuter campaigns for 2014:

- \$3,260** Happy Neuter Year (Jan.)
- \$8,800** Beat the Heat (Feb.)
- \$8,430** Precious Not Parents (June)
- \$4,000** Primp Your Pit (Aug.)

Best Friends Society:

- \$1,000** Feral cat TNR in Wellington

Colorado Pet Overpopulation Fund:

- \$2,500** PAL+ (Prevent A Litter)

Foundation for Protection of Animals:

- \$3,000** PAL+ (Prevent A Litter)

Calendar of Events

Nov 23	Loveland Open House
Nov 24	Spay-ghetti & No Balls Dinner & Craft Fair
Nov 28	Closed for Thanksgiving
Nov 29	Black Cat Friday Adoption Special
Nov 30	Walk-In Vaccine Clinic
Dec 3	Vaccines by Appointment
Dec 10	Colorado Gives Day
Dec 14	Walk-In Vaccine Clinic
Dec 17	Vaccines by Appointment
Dec 25	Closed for Christmas
Dec 28	Walk-In Vaccine Clinic
January	Happy 'Neuter' Year \$20 neuter special
Jan 1	Closed for New Year's Day
Jan 26	Alley Cats Bowling Night
February	Beat the Heat \$20 cat spay special
March 1	Whiskers 'n Wags Jubilee

Spay-ghetti & No Balls

DINNER & CRAFT FAIR

to Benefit



Join Fort Collins Cat Rescue & Spay/Neuter Clinic, Animal House Rescue & Grooming and Larimer Humane Society for its 4th Annual Spay-ghetti & No Balls Dinner & Craft Fair to benefit all three area rescues. This appetizing event will be held Sunday, Nov. 24, at the Embassy Suites Loveland (4705 Clydesdale Parkway, Loveland).

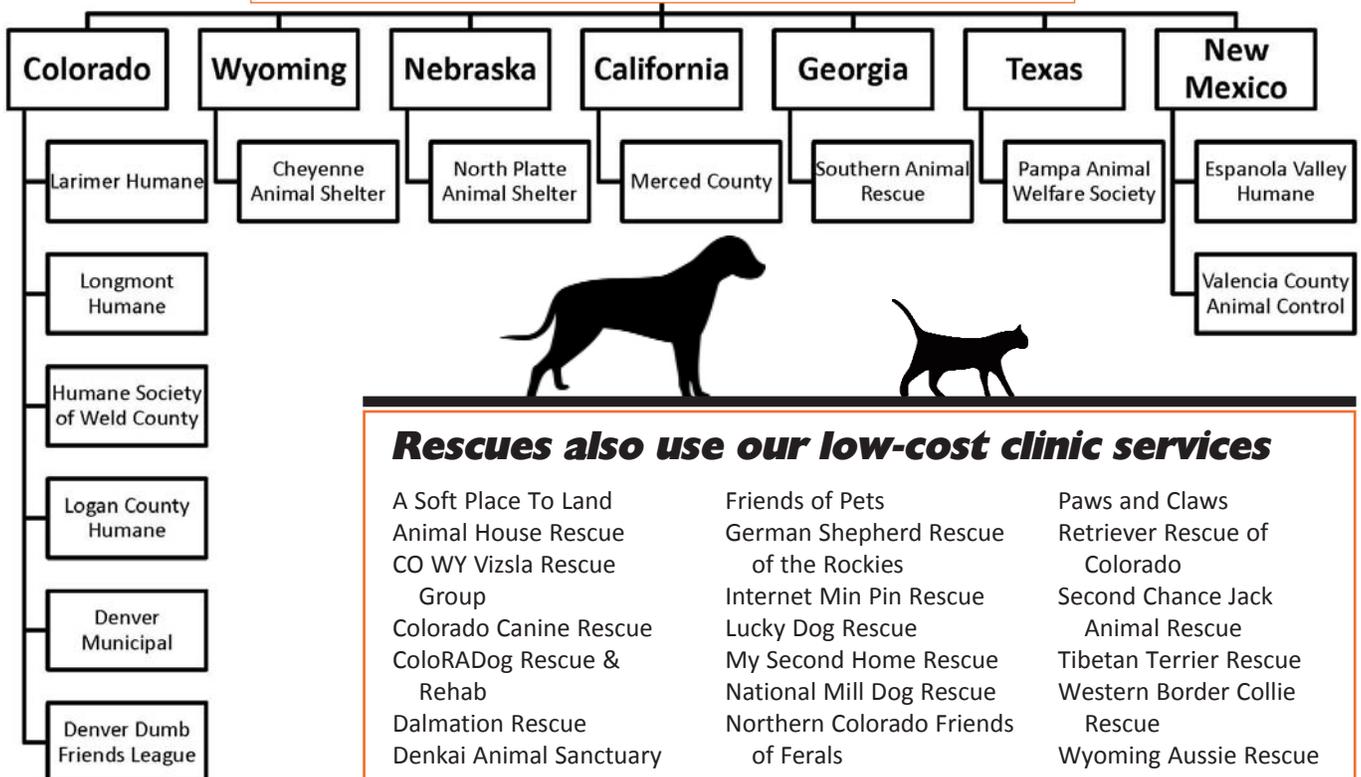
The Craft Fair will be open to the public from 2-6:30 p.m. and will be FREE to enter. The pasta dinner is being served buffet style with open seating from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Salad, bread, pasta and sauces (vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options available) will be provided by Embassy Suites Loveland, with delicious desserts donated by Bisetti's, Next Door Cafe, Charco Broiler and Panera Bread Co.

Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$15 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-12. Tickets purchased at the door will be \$20 for adults and \$10 for children ages 6-12. Children 5 and under are free.

Register online at:
www.LarimerHumane.org

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Paws and Claws
Retriever Rescue of Colorado
Second Chance Jack Animal Rescue
Tibetan Terrier Rescue
Western Border Collie Rescue
Wyoming Aussie Rescue



Adopted
September 25, 2013

Macy, aka Andi

"Just wanted to write you a quick note to let you know how in love we are with Macy! She has brought so much joy into our household! Thank you so much for all that you do."



Adopted
August 25, 2013

Buster, aka Tripod

Here's Buster sitting in the cat bed in our picture window. We think he's grown quite a bit in the two weeks he's been here. His appetite has been robust and he's full of energy."



Adopted
August 21, 2013

Neko, aka Dylan

Neko perched on his adoptive dad's shoulder during the road trip to his new home in Ansley, Nebraska.

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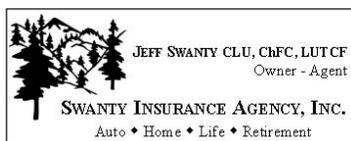
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Humans are Lela's favorite companions



Lela loves a warm lap, but diabetes ... not so much

Loving Lela has the unfortunate fate of having been diagnosed with diabetes, which is sadly why she was surrendered to the shelter. But it's a very manageable disorder.

Lela just wants to make sure that her future adopter is educated about diabetes and understands that it's a commitment to her, to make sure she gets her twice-daily insulin injections. Lela says, "My life depends on it!"

This sweet, black, 5-year-old girl has been in foster with our Clinic Manager James Christofferson for nearly three months and is ready for a permanent home, perhaps with a few

less cats than her foster dad has.

James said Lela is a total lover, snuggler and lap cat. She adores people and follows him around

his home. He said she just wants to flop on him and purr, purr, purr.

"She definitely likes to sleep on the bed with me and loves to get under the covers," James said. "She is a very fun and loving kitty!"

But Lela doesn't like other cats as much. James said she's gotten better

About Lela

Age: 5 years

Sex: Female

Special need:

Diabetic

since his household went from eight cats down to six. So Lela would probably be ok with a house that has only one or two other felines.

Awarded the Golden Scoop foster award for "Diabetes Delegate," James has fostered several diabetic shelter cats. One of his own personal kitties is diabetic, so he's familiar with their care, including scheduled feedings of a prescription diet and those not-so-fun injections twice a day.

But Lela and James both assure you, she is *VERY* worth it. If you've ever wanted to be adored by a silky soft kitty, she's the one to adopt!



Jennifer Anderson



For several years running, both Jennifer Anderson and Debbie DeLong have volunteered countless hours of work to the annual FCCRSNC Cat Calendar. They coordinate gathering the photo contest entries and designing and proofing the calendar for print over a span of at least four months every year.

Jennifer and Debbie are longtime volunteers with our organization, and both have served on the Whiskers 'n Wags Jubilee planning committee, Jennifer in the role of logistics coordinator, and Debbie as Grand Cats coordinator. Debbie has lent her artistic talents to the creation of several Grand Cats over the years and is a former FCCRSNC staff member as well.



Debbie DeLong



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*Be sure to get
 your calendar
 for 2014!*

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- \$60 Pay a Kitty's Rent for a Month
- \$90 Supply a Kitten Kit for the Foster Program
- \$250 Help Replace Important Clinic Medical Equipment
- \$300 SAVE A LIFE! Provide 100% of Care for One Homeless Kitty

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