

9th LIFE HAWAII

NO-KILL CAT RESCUE & SANCTUARY

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Dedicated to the Protection of Cats in Hawaii

Run Solely by Volunteers

Your entire donation goes to help the cats!



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9th Life Hawaii Saves 125 Kittens

For several years we have asked the Maui Humane Society to allow us to foster the bottle babies that they considered unadoptable and would routinely euthanize because these little ones weighed less than a pound and a half. This year we are happy to say that they accepted our offer of help and we have rescued 125 kittens so far. Some of these babies still had their umbilical cords attached and weighed as little as three ounces.

9th Life Hawaii went into high gear and set up a network of foster parents. Volunteers from all over Maui participated. We held classes in bottle-feeding and care of newborns. 9th Life provided kitten formula, bottles, medicine, pest control, litter boxes; in other words whatever was needed to successfully raise these babies.

We spent more than \$1,000.00 on infant formula alone. Medicines and vet costs were even more. Even in this dreadful economy where our donations are diminishing, we took on the added expense of caring for these babies that otherwise would have been killed. We could not have done this without your support. Once again the people who support 9th Life Hawaii helped us to save lives. That is what we are about: Saving lives, leading the No Kill Movement on Maui, sterilizing as many cats as we can and offering FREE/low cost Spay/Neuter clinics to help Maui humanely, non-lethally control cat overpopulation.

Please continue to help us so we can continue to help Maui's kitties.
Your donations are the key.



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NEVADA HUMANE SOCIETY GOES NO KILL

The following is an article prepared by the No Kill Advocacy Center, in Oakland, Ca. It describes how the Nevada Humane Society took a high kill shelter and turned the numbers upside down. If they can do it, so can we! Reprinted with permission from the No Kill Advocacy Center.

The first step to building a No Kill community is rebuilding your relationship with the community. Two years ago, in January 2007, we did a series of Town Hall-type meetings and surveys to determine how the community felt about its shelter, the Nevada Humane Society. (NHS) Those efforts revealed deep dissatisfaction in the community. The vast majority did not believe that the Nevada Humane Society was doing enough to save lives.

Rather than circle the wagons as too many shelters do, the Nevada Humane Society Board of Directors promised the community they would do better. They launched an ambitious No Kill initiative despite a combined intake rate of 16,000 dogs and cats per year; three times the per capita rate of Los Angeles, five times the per capita rate of San Francisco, and over twice the national average.

In other words, they didn't just point the finger of blame at the "irresponsible public," they said they would save the animals despite whatever irresponsibility existed in the community. A new executive director committed to and passionate about saving lives was hired. The entire management team was replaced. And of nearly seventy employees, only three of the original group was allowed to remain.

In short, they got the right people on the bus. And then they took that bus in a whole new direction. That meant launching a series of programs and services in line with the No Kill Equation model of sheltering. And the results have been dramatic.

In 2007 The Washoe County adoption rate increased 53% for dogs and 84% for cats when compared to 2006. (This was) a higher increase than any other community in the nation. The Washoe County kill rate decreased by 51% for dogs and 52% for cats. The countywide save rate was 92% for dogs and 78% for cats despite a per capita intake rate that is twice the national average.

In 2008 the agency increased dog and cat adoptions an additional 9% over 2007, decreased the number of dogs and cats killed in Washoe County by an additional 10% and increased the save rate for cats to 83% and 9 out of 10 dogs continue to be saved.

THEIR SUCCESS CAN BE OUR SUCCESS.

9th Life Hawaii's Board and leadership would like to add a comment. We are tired of being told it is harder to take a shelter NO KILL because we are on an island. In actuality the opposite is true. It is easier. When a shelter on the mainland goes No Kill, people from miles around, even hundreds of miles away will drive to that area to bring their animals to a shelter they know will not kill their animal. Unless someone has built a bridge to Maui or any of the other Hawaiian Islands, that situation does not exist here, thereby making it easier to take all Hawaiian municipal Humane Society shelters No Kill. Dogs and cats have been killed for far too long as a method of population control and it has not worked. Sterilization on a mass scale is guaranteed to work. It means making low-cost or FREE sterilizations available in hardship cases, as 9th Life Hawaii does. It's about time the Maui Humane Society tried it on a MASS scale, and join us to embrace and work together now to implement No Kill. Together we can lead the No Kill movement in the state.

FABULOUS DOOR PRIZE OFFERED

9th Life Hawaii has just received a donation of a one week stay from Sept. 5 thru' Sept. 12, 2009 (7 nights) at the beautiful, ocean front Ma'alaea Kai. You can learn more about these lovely accommodations by clicking on the owner's website www.vrbo.com/40374

This condo usually rents for \$170.00 per night. This gorgeous 2 Bedroom, 2 bath condo will sleep 5.



View from the condo sitting on the lanai.

We are offering this as a door prize at our July 15 open Board Meeting in California.

Winner need not be present.

The opportunity to win this door prize will be limited to the first 100 people who donate \$100.00 so you will have a fabulous one in 100 likelihood of winning this door prize. Each \$100.00 gives you an opportunity to win this door prize. Don't wait, because it is limited to the first 100 people who donate.

And what a great way to help Maui's kitties.

YES, I WANT TO HELP THE KITTIES - YES, I WANT TO SAVE LIVES

It is impossible to do our life-saving work without your help. Please consider donating at your best level.

\$25 \$50 \$100 \$500. Other \$ _____

Every \$100.00 donation, will give you an opportunity to win the door prize at our open Board Meeting in California on July 15. Please check this box if you wish to enter. Print this form and mail it back to us. Must be received by July 13, 2009 to qualify.

- I want to sponsor a cat for a year (\$250.00)
- I want to sponsor a Spay/Neuter day (\$1,750.00)
- I want to donate air miles to bring vets to Maui for mass Spay/Neuter clinics. We are bringing the same mainland vets back for another marathon clinic in September and we need air miles and gift certificates for Maui tourist activities for them to enjoy a little R & R after the planned 4 day clinic at the end of September.
- I want to help finish the isolation cattery. We still need roofing materials, doors (exterior and security), backer board for the tile that has been donated.
- I wish to donate the enclosed gift certificate for your auctions.
- I want to help pay for the property. (We still need \$879,400.00)
- I want to donate an RV. We will pay shipping from the mainland.
- Wise giving through estate planning, monthly donations or Pet Trusts Call us. 808-572-3499

NEW! NEW! NEW! You can now set up monthly donations with your credit card by using the PayPal link on our website at www.9thlifehawaii.org

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: Please clearly write your email address on a separate piece of paper and mail it to us. Receiving newsletters by email saves postage and paper and helps the environment too.

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Our Wish List.

RV to house another cat caretaker to enable us to take in more cats.

Free printing of our newsletters.

Gift certificates for our auctions.

Cat food, kitty litter, cat carriers, and kitty condos, dog houses.

Spay/Neuter Van so we can get to outlying areas such as Hana.

We would very much like to bring Nathan Winograd to Maui. Nathan is the author of "Redemption, the Myth of Pet Overpopulation and the No Kill Revolution in America". Nathan has taken many shelters No Kill. His speaking fee is more than we can afford.

If there is anyone who would like to help bring Nathan to Maui for a well-documented presentation on the No Kill Movement, please contact 9th Life Hawaii. 808-572-3499