

## Who Makes Our Organization Possible?

### 1) Feral Cat Caretakers

Lots of caring individuals are stepping forward to feed & watch over feral cat colonies in their neighborhood.

### 2) Volunteers

San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition is run entirely by volunteers. Licensed veterinarians in the community perform all spays and neuters.

## Volunteers Welcome

Volunteers are an essential part of our day-to-day operation and our doors are always open to those who want to help. If you can help us with our public events, fundraising, or volunteering to trap or help cat colony managers, please fill in the form below. You can also call 210-403-3767 or fill in the volunteer form on our web site.

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### *I Want To Help SAFCC*

- Volunteer to Trap-Neuter-Return cats
- Fundraising
- Feed or manage cat colonies
- Other skills I have that might be useful

Hours/Days available \_\_\_\_\_

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# San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition

A Feral Cat Resource Organization



**A 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization  
dedicated to humanely reducing  
the feral and stray cat  
overpopulation through  
Trap-Neuter-Return.**

**www.sanantioferalcats.org  
210-403-3767**

## What Are Feral Cats?

They are unsocialized cats. They were either born outside and have never known human companionship or they were pets who got lost or abandoned, and after an extended time without human contact, have learned to fear humans. Feral cats form colonies around a food source such as a dumpster. Reproducing to the limits of the food supply, they lead meager lives often shortened by malnutrition, disease and trauma. Most kittens born never make it through their first year.

Their mating behaviors of spraying, fighting, and yowling often cause them to become a public nuisance. Constant reproduction adds to the problem. Getting the cats spayed/neutered virtually eliminates all of these problems. Once neutered, males will no longer spray to mark their territory. Fighting for mates also stops. Noise and smell is no longer a problem. The colony size gradually diminishes with no kittens being born. Cats in a managed colony can live healthy, happy lives without causing problems for neighbors.

## Trap-Neuter-Return

The plight of feral cats has been largely ignored in the U.S. until recently. In the early 1990's the humane solution of TNR was brought to the U.S. from Europe where it has been used as the accepted method of cat population control for over 25 years. This alternative to trap and kill involves spaying or neutering the cats, then returning them to their colonies where they are looked after and fed by caretakers. Tame cats and kittens can be adopted out. This solution successfully stops breeding and improves the overall health of the colony

Started as a grassroots effort in the U.S., TNR is now becoming accepted in many major cities and small towns across the country. People are

looking for alternatives to killing healthy animals, just because they are homeless. TNR is the only proven humane method that solves the overpopulation problem while at the same time allowing the cats already out there to live out their lives healthy and well fed but no longer reproducing.

## What We Do

1. Provide a network of animal welfare groups, veterinarians, low cost spay/neuter clinics, and individuals caring for stray and feral cats
2. Provide resources and information necessary to assist in organizing stray and feral colonies into managed colonies
3. Project a strong unifying voice for feral cat caretakers and their colonies
4. Provide a viable alternative to euthanasia, through Trap-Neuter-Return and ongoing care of unsocialized cats, and adoption of tame cats and kittens
5. Promote community awareness of the responsible care and treatment of animals

## What We Don't Do

1. Accept cats, or pick up cats for adoption; we are not a shelter
2. Rescue cats; we are not a rescue group

## Did You Know?

One unaltered cat and her offspring can produce 420,000 cats in seven years.  
(Source: Humane Society of the United States)

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## Donations

San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization surviving solely on your donations. Please consider supporting us with your donation and join us by becoming a dedicated animal advocate or volunteer. Thanks!

San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition is currently seeking funding to help with the following:

- Day-to-day operational costs
- Covering the cost of spaying/neutering cats
- Purchasing animal traps
- Purchasing cat food to help colony feeders

### **Make A Donation**

San Antonio Feral Cat Coalition is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Donations are tax deductible. You may donate by filling in and mailing the form below. Thanks for your support.

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Please accept my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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