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Mission: Provide natural sanctuary to wild cats in need and inspire change to end the captive wildlife crisis.

Vision: Help create a world where wild animal sanctuaries are no longer needed.

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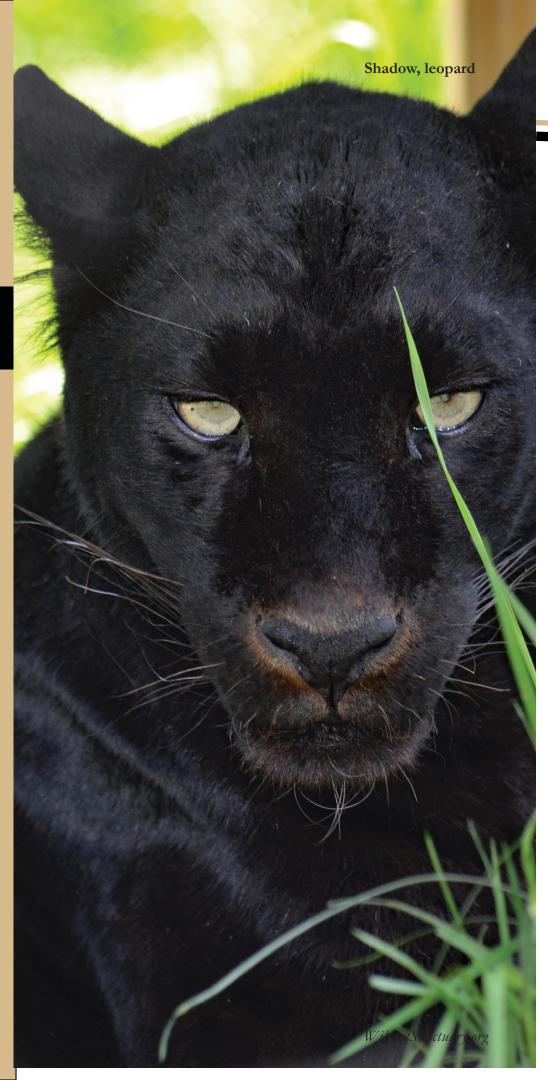








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From the Founder



A world bigger than ourselves

ver the last few months, the world has been hurting. And each of us feels it. From fires out west, to hurricanes in the south, there isn't a single human or animal that hasn't been affected in some way. Add on the countless number of big cats that also need help, and it can feel like a battle we can't win.

For almost two years, we've been involved in trying to secure the release of six lions and other big cats from a zoo in Puerto Rico. Just a few weeks prior to Hurricane Irma hitting, a colleague of ours shared with us the final letter releasing the custody of all 11 cats to a sanctuary. Then devastation hit. As I write this, we still don't know the fate of the animals at the zoo – if they're alive or if they'll be alive when rescuers are finally able to get to them.

At the same time, we are on a deployment list to help big cat facilities in Florida, Texas and even Washington, if needed, due to natural disasters. It's the one time when building a sanctuary in Minnesota seems like the best place in the world, even though it can get to -30 in the winter.

When there are so many people, wildlife, pets and captive animals needing help, it can feel selfish to continue our fundraising campaigns for our rescue work and sanctuary. But we're so thankful there is enough love and support to do it all. That's how I feel. There is abundance of resources. They just need to be focused in the right direction. When a city needs to raise money for a new football stadium, it's amazing how fast it gets built. No one says it can't be done. We need to think the same way when other humans and animals need us. If everyone helps a little, it will make a significant impact.

And you have helped! You have made an impact! I know many of you have given to causes around the nation, the world, and you never forget the animals here at the sanctuary, too. Thank you! That's why we

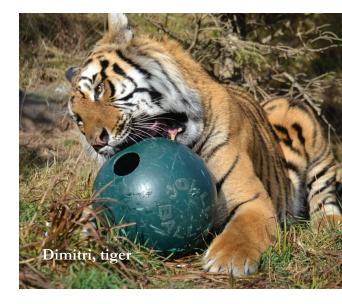
LOVE you and feel so close to you. You care about something bigger than yourselves. You care about all humankind, animal kind and our environment. So that is something to celebrate, even in a time when you may not feel like celebrating.

The gift I would like to share with you – the 113 faces of the lives you've saved! Because you cared, they were rescued. They have the life they do today because of YOU! I hope you enjoy this 2017 Wildcat Sanctuary Yearbook.

Tammy Thies

Founder & Executive Director

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Tigers



Caesar Wild at Heart Date: 9/2/2015



Callie Wild at Heart Date: 9/2/2015



Daisy Wild at Heart Date: 5/19/2017



Dimitri Wild at Heart Date: 10/19/2016



Ekaterina Wild at Heart Date: 9/21/2010



Griffen Wild at Heart Date: 10/19/2016



Jeremy Wild at Heart Date: 11/13/2014



Logan Wild at Heart Date: 9/2/2015

We don't know every cat's exact birthday, so we celebrate their Wild at Heart Dates - their first day at The Wildcat Sanctuary.



Mohan Wild at Heart Date: 5/19/2017



Nikita Wild at Heart Date: 3/27/2012



Pandora Wild at Heart Date: 11/1/2016



Sabrina Wild at Heart Date: 6/9/2010



Simon Wild at Heart Date: 11/13/2014



Tonka Wild at Heart Date: 9/13/2014



Zeke Wild at Heart Date: 10/19/2016



Zeus Wild at Heart Date: 9/21/2010

Cougars



Andre Wild at Heart Date: 10/8/2009



Aspen Wild at Heart Date: 1/21/2016



Blaze Wild at Heart Date: 1/21/2016



Carlo Wild at Heart Date: 10/17/2009



Castle Wild at Heart Date: 7/30/2006



Donoma Wild at Heart Date: 5/22/2008



Langley Wild at Heart Date: 10/17/2009



Liberty Wild at Heart Date: 3/26/2008







Matty Wild at Heart Date: 12/21/2006

Max II Wild at Heart Date: 3/7/2016

Misha Wild at Heart Date: 10/22/1999

Noah Wild at Heart Date: 10/17/2009









Raja Wild at Heart Date: 12/10/2007

Snow Wild at Heart Date: 12/5/2015

Storm Wild at Heart Date: 12/5/2015

Tasha II Wild at Heart Date: 3/27/2012

UPROAR!

Cougar & Lynx



Wild at Heart Date:

7/30/2006

Eurasian Lynx



Leisha Wild at Heart Date: 7/9/2005



Lindsey Wild at Heart Date: 10/17/2009

Canada Lynx



Kitty Wild at Heart Date: 5/28/2005



Ramsey Wild at Heart Date: 2/22/2007



Shalico Wild at Heart Date: 8/28/2006

Bobcats



Archer Wild at Heart Date: 3/6/2017



Athena Wild at Heart Date: 7/12/2007



Autumn Wild at Heart Date: 9/15/2016



Baby Jenga Wild at Heart Date: 5/23/2003



Bella Wild at Heart Date: 9/16/2010



Belvedere Wild at Heart Date: 10/6/2016



Benson Wild at Heart Date: 7/6/2006



Brianna Wild at Heart Date: 8/2/2012

Bobcats continued



Buddy Wild at Heart Date: 6/23/2006



Claud Wild at Heart Date: 7/5/2006



Copper Wild at Heart Date: 3/12/2017



Francis Wild at Heart Date: 10/6/2016



Haley Wild at Heart Date: 7/13/2008



Harley Wild at Heart Date: 8/17/2010



Henry Wild at Heart Date: 7/13/2008



Libby Wild at Heart Date: 5/31/2010

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Luna Wild at Heart Date: 8/24/2017



Morgan Wild at Heart Date: 4/21/2007



Nikko Wild at Heart Date: 12/4/2004



Salem Wild at Heart Date: 8/17/2010



Scooter Wild at Heart Date: 12/5/2001



Stelter Wild at Heart Date: 8/2/2012



Tractor Wild at Heart Date: 10/28/2001

Sponsor a Bobcat Today!

UPROAR!

Servals



Bosco Wild at Heart Date: 11/17/2001



Cleo Wild at Heart Date: 4/25/1998



Denali Wild at Heart Date: 7/6/2006



Jaharah Wild at Heart Date: 12/1/2009



Lizzy Wild at Heart Date: 4/25/2005



Mesa Wild at Heart Date: 1/4/2005



Mufasa Wild at Heart Date: 11/4/2000



Rocky Wild at Heart Date: 11/4/2000



Nunda Wild at Heart Date: 3/24/2005



O'Malley Wild at Heart Date: 3/30/2002



Phoenix Wild at Heart Date: 3/24/2005



Rio Wild at Heart Date: 1/4/2005



Sebastian Wild at Heart Date: 7/21/2006

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F1 Bengals



Bronx Wild at Heart Date: 6/18/2004



Jewel Wild at Heart Date: 6/7/2010



Kasha Wild at Heart Date: 7/4/2014



Keesa Wild at Heart Date: 7/28/2011



Phoenix Wild at Heart Date: 6/18/2004

The cats will live at The Wildcat Sanctuary the rest of their lives. Unlike a dog or cat with a traditional family, being a wild animal, our cats have a family of sponsors — a family you're invited to join!

Become a sponsor parent at WildcatSanctuary.org

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Bengals



Adrian - Silver Wild at Heart Date: 6/1/2012



Benny – Marbled Wild at Heart Date: 12/17/2008



Ciega– Marbled Wild at Heart Date: 9/23/2005



Cooper– Spotted Wild at Heart Date: 9/15/2009



Dream– Spotted Wild at Heart Date: 5/31/2006



Ella– Safari Wild at Heart Date: 6/6/2017



Harley Wild at Heart Date: 5/6/2017

Bengals continued



Indie-Spotted Wild at Heart Date: 11/8/2006



Maui – Snow Wild at Heart Date: 2/24/2006



Max I - Spotted Wild at Heart Date: 6/22/2006



Safari - Spotted Wild at Heart Date: 5/21/2008



Sebastian- Marbled Wild at Heart Date: 11/15/2010



ShyBear-Spotted Wild at Heart Date: 11/5/2015



Spartacus-Spotted Wild at Heart Date: 4/6/2008



Tahiti - Melanistic Wild at Heart Date: 7/3/2006

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Tara - Snow Wild at Heart Date: 10/8/2007



Tiger – Spotted Wild at Heart Date: 7/21/2006



Willow – Spotted Wild at Heart Date: 7/3/2006

Chausies



Kashmir Wild at Heart Date: 10/6/2003



Ty Wild at Heart Date: 1/5/2009

Savannahs



Andre Wild at Heart Date: 7/2/2016



Diego Wild at Heart Date: 6/4/2010



Hilo Wild at Heart Date: 6/6/2008



Kona Wild at Heart Date: 11/12/2012



Ledger Wild at Heart Date: 3/4/2009



Leo Wild at Heart Date: 6/18/2016



Maximillion Wild at Heart Date: 2/11/2017

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Shadow Wild at Heart Date: 9/2/2015

Shazam Wild at Heart Date: 12/21/2006





Aurora Wild at Heart Date: 7/9/2015

Lion



Shanti Deva Wild at Heart Date: 12/21/2006

Jungle Cat

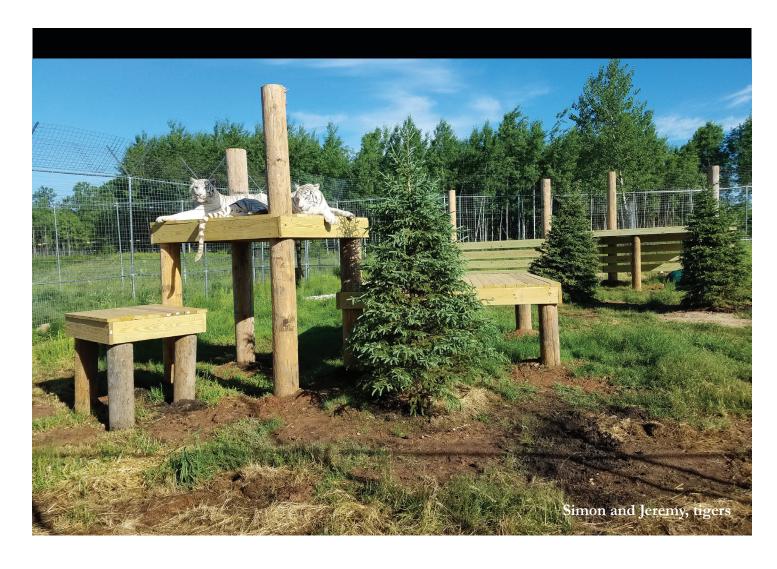


Domestic Cat



Abby Wild at Heart Date: 3/31/2007

Remoh Wild at Heart Date: 5/14/2009



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Luna's New Lease on Life

una's life is one we see way too often. As a bobcat, she should've been able to live wild in the woods. But instead, Luna was born in captivity and sold to be a "pet."

Luna had been front paw declawed to try and make her a safe pet. Two of her amputated toes already have bone regrowth protruding from them.

Her top canines had been cut off just outside of her gum line, while the bottom canines had been cut half way. All four teeth had root pulp exposed. The pain this poor girl must have endured is just unimaginable.

When you must disfigure an animal to try and keep it as a pet, it should be a clear sign the animal is not meant to be that.

The little information we have on Luna is her name and that she is approximately 3 years old. We were also told she was purchased by someone who had too much discretionary income and then got bored of her. We know she's gone through multiple homes, but we don't know how many or for how long.

What we do know is Luna is now safe! Luna is at her forever home. A home that will invest in expensive dental surgery to alleviate her pain. A home that will monitor her front paws to make sure they don't become infected. A home where she will finally get to be a bobcat, living wild at heart.

Welcome home dear, Luna. We love you already!



Roar of the Crowd!

this year with over 200 event attendees! It's always a special time for us to celebrate the past year's accomplishments but this year was special because we also got the opportunity to share plans about our future!

The Crystal Ball – A Look to our Future, featured special information and discussion about what the future holds for TWS. We showcased how our education and advocacy efforts will grow as well as sharing exciting plans for our next big construction project – the redesign and renovation of Wildcat Pines!

Special thanks to our event sponsors, RE/MAX Results, The Mary L Kenzie Foundation, Pets Remembered Cremations, Fortune Tailers, Purrrfect 10, Ray & Rita Quist of RE/MAX Results, Sue & Dan Schmitt, and Andover Pet

Hospital. We're so proud to have so much support! Thank you!

During dinner, special recognition was given to Sue and Dan Schmitt, Joan Oprian and Marilynne Roberts for the extraordinary efforts to help the cats this year. Welcome to the Lion Pride!

Jungle Boogie wouldn't be complete wwithout the announcement of the winners for our annual raffle. The first-prize of \$500 went to ticket #2561 Jo M.; the second prize of \$250 went to ticket #1347 Brad C.; and third prize of \$100 cash went to ticket #1168 Mark T. Congratulations!

Thank you to everyone who attended, donated silent auction items, bought raffle tickets, or helped spread the word! Jungle Boogie was a huge success!





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In Honor & In Memory Gifts through September 28, 2017

In Honor

In honor of Mandy Janet McKean

In honor of Daisy Guido Visconti Di Modrone

In honor of Ty, aka Moose Wendy Mareau

In honor of Hugo Kitty Holly Winscott

In honor of Lisa Paulson Lisa Olson

In honor of All Big Cats Michele Connor

In honor of Elizabeth West's birthday Sandra R West

In honor of my cats, Lily and Roxy Lorelie Tanner

In honor of all wildcats Penny Maki

In honor of Peter & Christina's wedding Eden Engel-Rebitzer

In honor of Tammy Thies' birthday Barbara Thies-Christensen

In honor of Misty Robert Guzewicz

In honor of Angie Given **Dusty Street**

In honor of Shadow

Peggy Burke, John and Emily Basch, Madeleine Dimond, Joanne Manning, Karolyn Munzke, Margaret Own Thorpe, Renee Palmer, Shirley Paz, Connie Rawa, John Voorhees, Susan Young, Lauren Brady, Michele Connor

In honor of Aneula Cummings **Helen Cummings**

In honor of Pippi and Bunker Hunt Nora Hunt

In honor of Max the Cougar Leona Krieg

In honor of all my cats Pat Morris

In honor of Tiki Jocelyn Raquepae

In honor of the two lion brothers recently killed Teresa Silver

In honor of my kitties, April and Sheena Erika Toth

In honor of Gandolf Jeannette Wedge

In honor of Aneula Cummings Helen Cummings

In honor of Alison and Nick Johanna Hanson

In honor of Cora McKean's 1st Birthday Janet McKean

In honor of Graeme Andrew Foster's birthday Janet McKean

In honor of Suzanne Gorte Brandon Gorte

In honor of all the kitties Shirley Paz

In honor of Roz Annen's birthday Barbara Sharpe

In honor of all the cats we love Eugenio Guarente

In honor of Luna the Bobcat Cyndi Bigner, Charles and MaryEllen Lukavsky, Kathleen Muster, Jane Ullman, Rochelle Williams, Stephanie Wittenberg, Tammy Detrixhe

In honor of Daisy Robert Fellner, John Voorhees

In honor of Tonka Victoria Kyle

In honor of Gentle Cats - Large & Small Margaret Owen Thorpe

In honor of Daisy and Mohan Bonnie Hylton

In honor of Alison and Nick Good

In honor of the people who work at the sanctuary D Jean Shaw

In honor of Michelle Friessen Flaine Luelf

In honor of Elizabeth Eide Kande Larson

In honor of my beloved, late husband Kelly Savery

In honor of all cats, large and small Vicki Kolb

In honor of Mannie Rae Melanie Older

In honor of Scooter and Aurora **Lizbeth Dobbins**

In honor of Mantou & Huachuan Annie Shiau

In honor of Fella the dog Anonymous

In honor of my rescued special needs cat Fluffy Tuire Cechin

In honor of Zoe McMahon (dog) Joan Hibben

In honor of Emmie Janice Lange

In honor of Patch and Scrap Anthony Tambasco

In honor of Audrey Dael Chapman

In honor of Mother Earth Jennie DiPadova

In honor of Cindy, Xena and Sparkle Maribeth L. Beauchamp

In honor of twin granddaughters 21st birthday Elaine Fersten



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In Memory

In memory of Galileo and Buckbeak Ivana Kleine

In memory of Scarlet Victoria Kyle

In memory of Pam **Thomas Thunnell**

In memory of Smoke Burma Wilkins

In memory of Ann Brashaw Kathryn Hodge

In memory of Nickey Lisa Muryn

In memory of my cat Oliver Ann Meisch

In memory of Dusty and Blueshirt Mr. and Mrs. James Whitten

In memory of Megan Marie Harri Joy Berg

In memory of Nellie Simon Ann-Marke Krahel

In memory of Rocky, one of my best friend's household black panthers, who left us way too soon Irene Metz

In memory of Paulette Mellby

Sharon Gheraldi, Lisa Hanson, Kerri and Mark Guck, Christine Slater, William R Slater, Linnea Twee, Sarah Gruidl, Steven Osthus, TM Lacrosse, Marlene Miller, Joanne Campbell, Sally Erickson

In memory of Tummy Anne Cathy Silva

In memory of Homer, the sanctuary assistant and Henry, a Tuxedo cat Teena Shields

In memory of Kaiser Robert Boysen

In memory of Pagliacci Gena and John Connelly

In memory of Dusky Shirin Finley

In memory of Dreyfus and Krueger Renee Flesner

In memory of Cecil Ellen Grover

In memory of Glenda Lawhun Rae Hanna

In memory of Delmar Himes Judith Martell

In memory of Eve Kavanagh

Nancy Mason

In memory of Marlys Lange Linda Meyer

In memory of Marilyn Parker Andrea and Teri Parker

In memory of Lacey Susan Roberts

In memory of Casey and Reggie Christine Sauer

In memory of Marguerite Schaeffer Karen Schaeffer

In memory of Barbara Stevens **Carol Stevens**

In memory of Monty and Zoe Michelline Zinda

In memory of Draggie, Buggy & Jiqqi Claudia Dikinis

In memory of Acacia Wendy Mareau

In memory of Lady John and Lydija Tschumperlin

In memory of hticah Patricia Saphier

In memory of Mortimer Kay Silver

In memory of Roark, Mickie & Edward Janice Swanson

In memory of JT, PD, Shadow & Gillian Julie Beutel

In memory of Guapo Kim Tvndall

In memory of Jagger Wagger the cat Dr. Cathy Lund

In memory of Ba-pa Helen Wilcox

In memory of Dante Mary Simon

In memory of Romey Karen Skaja

In memory of Danny and Margo Kris Hackleman

In memory of Mildred & Russell Birch Linda Sullivan

In memory of Kibbey Domenica Holbrook

In memory of Aki Eden Kennan

In memory of my cat Tuffee Khristina Gonzalez

In memory of Sneaker-boo and Hershey-who Mary Costello

In memory of Jeanine Primoli Glen Yakel

In memory of all abused animals Paul Saywell

In memory of all the cats who have shared my home with me over the past 50 years - Toby, Nutricia, Fluffy, Rainbird, Sam, Daniel, Stasia, Nigel, Emily and Joel. And for Tiger Lily and Ninja Bear, who live with us now Judith Brauch

In memory of Judah Ivens, my beloved cat Jeffrey Ivens

In memory of Duddlee and Oreo Helen Deignan

In memory of Polly, our own house tiger John and Gena Connelly

In Memory of Mischief and for the love and care of cats everywhere Michelle Younis

In memory of all my precious furbabies waiting for me at the Rainbow Bridge Carole Chapman

In memory of Boris Fulvia Bowerman

In memory of Anne Charlson **Gary Charlson**

In memory of Ella Fredrickson Scott Cowden

In memory of Cleo the Canada Lynx Phillip Perri

In memory of Whisker and Annie

Elizabeth Quinn

In memory of Jack Linda Pflaster

In memory of Mona Alma Linda Hargrave

In memory of Boo cat Larry Pallatt

In memory of Midnite and Sunshine Nancy Williams

In Memory



Lynx Cleo, we loved you more than you'll ever know. We tried harder than you'll ever understand. We've given you the last gift we possibly can, to finally live your forever wild life.

We hope you enjoy your newly found peace. We will miss you!

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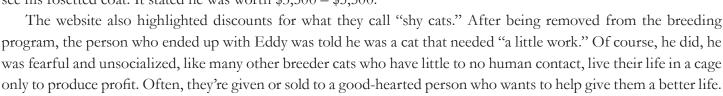
Eddy – a life saved

ddy spent over five years as an indentured breeder at a cattery making thousands of dollars for his owner. And what was his reward for all his years of service? Euthanasia.

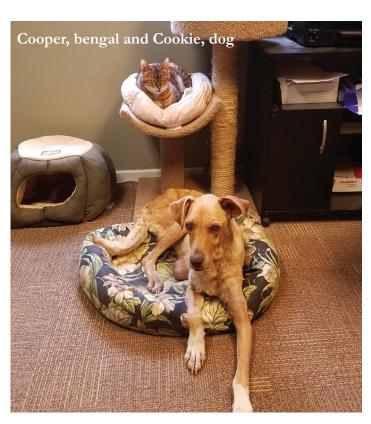
Luckily his new owner called a local shelter to schedule his surrender and was informed he would be euthanized. That's when they referred her to The Wildcat Sanctuary.

The breeder website showed his beautiful photos positioned so you could

see his rosetted coat. It stated he was worth \$3,500 - \$5,500.



Eddy deserved more than this. This is the price he pays because he is a beautiful cat. Because so many want designer cats like him. Eddy embodies why we advocate to adopt appropriate pets from a shelter or rescue group. So many cats are waiting to be loved. If we decrease the demand for designer pets, we decrease those like Eddy that suffer, too.





Eddy, bengal

blind, starving stray dog now calls The Wildcat Sanctuary home. A good Samaritan brought her to us after she found her on the side of the road. We aren't sure how many more days this poor girl could have survived on her own.

Emaciated, diabetic, blind and with mammary tumors, Cookie as the staff named her, is the sweetest and most trusting dog.

She has already gained weight and is making progress. We hope to be able to complete her surgeries once her glucose is regulated.

We couldn't change her past, but you helped us rewrite her future. Welcome to your forever home, Cookie!

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Monthly Guardians make a small monthly gift that make a big impact on the lives of our residents. And because monthly donations are processed automatically via credit card, they help reduce costs, allowing an even greater percentage of your gift to go towards helping the animals.

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