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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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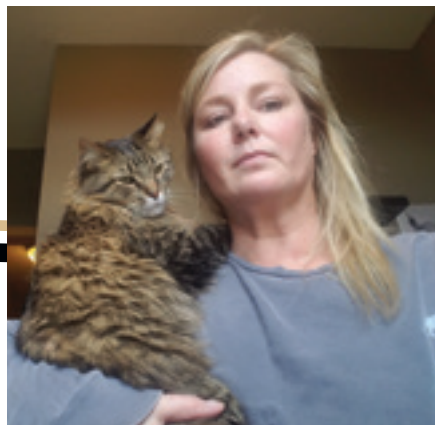
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From the Founder

Selfless Love



As I write this, my cat Forrest is sitting next to the computer. He interjects by headbutting and walking across the keyboard. He paws at my face to try and get my attention. And I can't help myself, stopping work to pick him up and kiss him profusely on his forehead.

This is a routine that takes place several times a day. Whether I'm doing laundry, brushing my teeth, trying to cook or going to sleep. Forrest always wants attention, and my heart explodes with happiness to give it to him.

My husband jokes that Forrest and I have an unhealthy relationship. Besides me cooing at Forrest nonstop, I also like to tell him how much I love him a dozen times a day. I would do anything for this boy, and he knows it.

Forrest and the other cats have taught me so much over the years. The most important is how to love selflessly. And that can be harder than you think, especially when your own heart is involved.

My daily love (or should I say obsession) for Forrest is not selfless. I get as much out of our cuddle sessions as he does. That doesn't mean it's the wrong way to love, how can it be—it's a love that feels so good.

Selfless love is when you put aside your own feelings to make a decision that is best for someone else. Many of us have experienced selfless love when it's time to say good-bye to a 4-legged family member. We put their needs above our own.

Selfless love is so important at the Sanctuary. Each day our staff and interns put this into practice. It can be as simple as going out in the cold and shoveling paths in the snow for a geriatric cat, even though your back is tired, and your toes are freezing. And it can be as difficult as saying good-bye to a resident who you can't bear to see go.



Forrest, domestic cat



Forrest, domestic cat



Forrest, domestic cat

I see it when our caretakers take the time to give tigress Sabrina treats outside because they know she's stressed indoors. And I see it in the many enrichment items they give tiger Dash to keep him busy and stimulated. I also feel it each time you give, send me an email, or make a reassuring comment to our staff.

I've also experienced selfless love when I see certain owners decide to surrender a cat to our sanctuary in order to give their cat a better life. I know their hearts are hurting as they leave their cat behind.

Selfless love is the most special gift we can give. To each other, to our animal friends, and to ourselves.

And when we must make those selfless love decisions that are difficult, I'm forever grateful for the all-consuming love Forrest, and so many of our furry friends, give in return.

It's their special way of thanking us for putting their needs first.

Tammy Thies
Founder & Executive Director

P.S. Do you think I used enough photos of this beautiful boy?

Meet 3 of Our Witness Protection Cats

So much goes on behind-the-scenes here that I can't share. But now, after several years, I'm so happy I can finally introduce you to three big cats we've been caring for all this time under a Witness Protection agreement. This is when the cats are part of an open legal case and we hold them for the entire process at our own expense.

I still remember the day I received a call asking if we could help them. They were part of a large-scale rescue of animals seized due to neglect from a roadside zoo near Quebec Canada in May 2019.

One of the cats needed to be picked up right away. But it was unclear when we'd be able to pick up the two others, a tiger couple named Terek and Polina, due to international permit requirements and Covid border delays.

All I knew was this was an older cougar named Harold who was having trouble walking. It meant leaving right away, driving for days, but I knew how much it would mean to help this cougar immediately.

What I didn't know was just how special he was and how much he would touch all our hearts.

Harold Arrives at the Sanctuary

Harold lived with crippling arthritis so bad he walked on his wrists and forearms. The cage he'd lived in had been hard for him to maneuver around.

But on his trip home to our sanctuary, Harold just relaxed in his crate, snoring heavily at times in his deep sleep. When we'd stop for gas, he would wake up and give out a very light-hearted chirp.

This boy won our hearts!

He treated every person with the same demeanor. His continuous purrs and rubs on the fence filled our hearts with joy any moment we were near him.

But mealtime was when his wild side came out. Food got him very excited!! And even his broken, abscessed teeth didn't stop him.

Harold had so many medical issues we wanted to help him with. But, as a legal Witness Protection cat and even though his care was at our expense, we still had to get permission for any medical procedures.

With approval, we were able to extract and fix his teeth. He also received a pain management program and laser therapy to help make him more comfortable.

To ease the pain of his arthritic joints, we controlled his diet to ensure he was at a good weight. He received frozen treats to keep him busy and make him feel like he got as much food as he wanted.



Harold, cougar



Harold, cougar

Heartbreaker Harold

Harold was a heartbreaker. He had a sweet soul and accepted what life dealt him with such grace.

Rescuing an animal with such a debilitating condition and then having to say good-bye to him only a couple of years later hurt me to the core. What hurt more, though, was not being able to share him with you.

But now I can.

Harold so loved napping in the sun. He was a deep sleeper and could sleep through anything. The quiet times, just sitting alongside his habitat while he napped, seeing him wake-up, chirp and purr, were very special moments. Ones we all deeply miss.

We rescue so many cats. Those who accept their current existence and find a way to be happy, despite all the odds, really make a mark on your heart.

When Harold's arthritis got worse and we couldn't keep him comfortable, we had to make the heart-wrenching decision to say goodbye.

I remember sitting there crying and saying, "I don't want to rescue any new cats. I just want the current ones to stay and those who've passed to come back. It's so hard to say good-bye."

But then, if we never accepted new cats, we would never meet cats like Harold.

So in that, I have to accept the circle of life. And

know there are other special cats that need us just as much as Harold did.

I wish you could've known him like we did. He would've made you feel just as special as he did all of us.

Harold, thank you for reminding us happiness can always be found.

Terek and Polina's Arrival

How I wish we had control over rescue logistics. But, when the legal system is involved, delays are usually the norm, especially during a pandemic.

It wasn't until a year after we picked up Harold that we finally received the call that Terek and Polina could finally make the trip. They'd been temporarily housed at another zoo and now could come to us.

Theirs was a late-night arrival in the dark. But we were happy to work round-the-clock to ensure their safe unloading.



Terek, tiger

Meet Terek

If Tonka or Mohan were gentle giants, then Terek sure gives them a run for their money!

This sweet tiger loves to greet staff at the fence. He lounges in his pool and waits for the opportunity when it's empty to drag his heavy pool around his habitat.

Terek is very large in stature, even taller than Tonka was. He has the same triangular skull,

sweet eyes, some scarring on his nose, and a lot of white in his coat pattern.

He has a very quiet chuff and is always a calm presence. And he certainly loves his habitat mate Polina. I'm so happy they were



Polina, tiger

able to come live out their lives together at our sanctuary.

Meet Polina

Polina is about half of Terek's size. She's a little more aloof around humans. She's not afraid of us. In fact, she's just very particular about what she likes and when.

Polina loves to lay in the tall grass, but didn't venture into the pool as Terek did. She loves to curl up in the indoor bed box with her beau Terek. Definitely a sight to see!

When she arrived, we could tell it took more effort for Polina to breathe. She would open-mouth breathe, especially during humid days, and you could hear a raspy effect when she'd chuff.

We performed a CT scan and she was diagnosed with an elongated soft palate. She also lacks structure in her lower jaw and face, which gives her a unique look.

She suffers from severe acid reflux that she's receiving medication for.

Both Polina and Terek are wonderful tigers

who are now enjoying their lush-filled, free-roaming habitat and indoor, temperature-controlled bedrooms.

How You've Helped

Through your donations, we've been able to pay for so much of the customized care Harold, Terek and Polina have needed since they were seized almost 2.5 years ago. You've helped cats you haven't even seen before—how special is that!

Now, that you've met them, perhaps you'd like to become a sponsor parent for Terek or Polina? Their ongoing care is still expensive, and our sponsorship program goes a long way in helping cover that.

Because of you, the life they had before is behind them. And the life they have ahead is something we all look forward to, thanks to your compassionate support.



Polina and Terek, tiger

Become a
sponsor parent for
Terek or Polina at
WildcatSanctuary.org



Terek, tiger



Terek, tiger



Polina, tiger



Harold, cougar



Polina, tiger



Polina, tiger



Polina, tiger

Our New Animal Care Center



One of the most important projects in our history is finally complete. We've moved into our new Animal Care and Education Center!!

This building allows us to do our work for the cats even better. How?

- It enables our entire staff to have offices together.
- It has more space to create distance learning education via zoom and social media.
- It has upgraded emergency stay quarters to protect our sanctuary.
- It also includes a rescue bay area to transport animals into the hospital.
- Most importantly, it includes an upgraded veterinary hospital with a viewing room to educate about the perils of the captive wildlife crisis.

Thank you to so many supporters who have made this possible. And a special thank you to our **Founding Partners, Platinum Patrons and Patrons** who were an integral part of making this dream a reality. And thank you to TWP Architects for their design and guidance with this project.

I'm eternally grateful to each of you for giving the cats something so vital for their care!

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Gino, lion

But there are still more ways you can help by sponsoring these important items for our new Animal Care and Education Center:

\$250

towards needed accessories
(storage, recycle bins, office chairs)

\$500

towards office work space, conference
tables, seating areas

\$1000

towards educational Audio Visual
(TVs, computers, recording equipment)

\$2500

towards the veterinary camera and audio
system

\$5000

towards veterinary equipment and
supplies

Please feel free to email me at cat@wildcatsanctuary.org, call 320-245-6871 or mail a check in the enclosed envelope. It will help so much!!

The Small Wildcat Crisis

Lately, news stories have been popping up all over the country about escaped exotic “pets.” Yes, we’re making some progress on local and state levels with regulations about private ownership of big cats. And the Big Cat Public Safety Act is gaining more and more support on the federal level in Congress.

But, when it comes to smaller exotic cats, that’s a different story altogether.

The plight of privately-owned, small wildcats

Whether it’s servals, caracals, bobcats, or lynx, owners seem to think that, because the cat is small, it can indeed be a “pet.” And breeders, who sell these cats for thousands of dollars, are happy to profit off the growing desire for the cats.

Social Media channels, like TikTok, fuel the issue by featuring videos of people with their so-called serval and bobcat pets. The sad reality is most cats featured are adolescents.

Over my decades of running a sanctuary, rarely do people keep their pets past the age of two or three.

Providing proper care and a suitable environment for these wild cats is far more than most owners were bargaining for. And too often, we see these animals put in harm’s way after they escape the owner’s home.

It’s become so frequent that it’s in the headlines weekly across the United States. In fact, there’s rarely a week that goes by where I don’t see ‘escaped serval’ or ‘escaped bobcat’ in the headlines.

Misleading authorities

Authorities in most jurisdictions have never had to deal with exotic cats. And they shouldn’t have to, it isn’t something they’re trained in.

Navigating the patchwork of laws and ordinances regarding smaller exotic cats is even more challenging for them than the big cats.

On top of that, owners are misleading authorities. They try to get their wild cats back by claiming their cat is a domestic cat hybrid.

Though the cat they owned is an African serval, they often lie to authorities saying it’s a Savannah cat (a cross between a domestic cat and an African serval).

Just like us, sanctuaries throughout the country have dozens of servals in their care. Those who owners claimed to be Savannah cats to try and get around ordinances or laws.

Not only are private owners lying that their 100% wildcat serval is a hybrid, but they’re also doing the same with bobcats. They claim they are pixie-bobs.

This misinformation puts even more people at risk, including veterinarians, the public and visitors they bring into their home.

Even when the cat is identified as a 100% wildcat, authorities may defer to the exotic animal owner because their legal authority is cloudy.

HEADLINES

LOCAL NEWS

Siberian lynx escapes Southwest Broward home

HUNTSVILLE

Both escaped African servals located, back with owner

US

Escaped chicken-eating serval cat spotted in neighborhood backyards

OAKLAND

African caracal cat on the loose in Royal Oak, residents cautioned to be on the lookout

We saw this recently in Detroit when two of four caracals escaped from their owner. It was reported this was the third escape of the same caracals.

Though she was ordered to relocate them (like so many other owners are), it's been reported she's

hired an attorney to fight that order.

You can understand how authorities can easily be misled about wild exotic wild cats vs. hybrids.

What we do

Each time we learn about these incidents in the news, we contact local authorities to help educate them about why these cats need to be in sanctuaries.

Most are happy to work with us, but their hands are often legally tied. They can urge the owner to surrender the cat but can't force that.

When owners are given the option of relocating the cats, we sometimes see the cats relocated to those who quietly return them to owners, once the publicity has died down. Or owners relocate to an area with no exotic cat regulations at all.

Over the years, we've made presentations to the annual Sheriff's Association conference to help educate first responders about exotic cats. We've also helped draft statewide legislation.

Several times a month we're contacted to identify a loose or captured cat that authorities believe to be wild, but the owner claims it's a domestic hybrid.

We confirm that the cat is a 100% wildcat, but then often don't know how the case ended.

The more we can help educate, the more cats can be saved. We know change starts on the local level. Thank you for helping educate about appropriate pets by sharing posts, writing letters to editors and helping educate locally.

Wildcats should never be kept as pets, no matter the size.



Photo credit: Detroit Free Press



Little Diva – African serval



Hilo – F1 Savannah
(first generation African Serval hybrid)



Luna - Bobcat



Domestic Pixie Bob



Autumn, bobcat



Beauty, Eurasian lynx



Ramsey, Canada lynx



Copper, bobcat



Shazam, leopard



Sofia, lion



Bosco, serval



Brianna, bobcat



Winona, tiger



Donoma, cougar



Sabrina, tiger



Bonzai, F1 bengal

Year in Review



We have big plans for 2022 and welcome you to join us in our progress for the cats.

Animal Care Center

- **Move** into the new **Animal Care Center Hospital** and purchase the remaining hospital equipment needed
- Hire a full-time, onsite **veterinarian** to provide support for around-the-clock care
- Recruit additional **volunteer vet techs**, adding to our current 4
- Invest in **IT/AV equipment** for educational video and viewing of the new surgery suite
- Research and develop onsite **vet assist volunteer/internship** program by Q3
- Furnish and **move all staff** into the Animal Care Center office space

Equipment & Projects

- Staff to demolish and construct one additional **Hybrid Haven yard**
- Purchase **skid steer and trailer** for critical onsite construction, road maintenance, food deliveries and snow removal
- Purchase furniture, snow blowers and lawn mower for new **intern/staff house**
- Continue to invest in **safety and emergency** response equipment

- **Recruit and hire** positions in Development and Animal Care for our growing organization

I know you have so many charities you can give to. I so appreciate your support of ours.

I'm incredibly proud to announce The Wildcat Sanctuary has earned a **5th consecutive 4-star rating** from Charity Navigator, the nation's largest and most-utilized evaluator of charities!

Charity Navigator's president shared, "This is our highest possible rating and verifies that The Wildcat Sanctuary exceeds industry standards and outperforms most charities in your area of work."

Only 20% of charities evaluated have received at least 4 consecutive 4-star evaluations.

This designation sets The Wildcat Sanctuary apart from its peers and demonstrates to the public its trustworthiness."

2021 Year in Review

- We welcomed **15 new cat residents**, including several big cats in our witness protection program.
- We purchased a **2nd 4-bedroom house** for additional intern and staff housing
- We **hired key positions** – Hospital Manager, Development Manager and Volunteer/Intern Resource Coordinator.
- Construction focused on the **build-out of our new 6,000 square foot Animal Care Center** plus demolition of the old Animal Care Office trailer.

HABITATS

- New **drainage and landscaping** for a big cat habitat
- New **shade systems** were added to big cat habitats along with modifications of geriatric residents' habitats.
- **2 new free-roaming habitats and bungalow buildings** were constructed for bobcats and cougars.
- **Quarantine was revamped** and outdoor heat provided for the cheetah brothers' winter housing.
- **Small cat quarantine was expanded** for more outdoor dynamic space.
- Many **cat mergers** took place to create compatible social groups.

EQUIPMENT ACQUIRED

- **New boiler** for Cougar Cove cat bedroom in-floor heating system
- **Enclosed UTV** for safety and winter weather
- **Emergency generator** and additional radios were purchased as part of our safety plan

VOLUNTEERS

- **32** Volunteer "Crew" Days = **1,335** hours donated!
- Volunteer Garden Team = **612** hours donated!
- Social Media and Development Volunteers = **3,100** hours donated!
- Implemented mowing and Chores & More team.



Anastasia, cougar

INDUSTRY

- Launched a **Tik-tok channel** to educate against cub petting and wild cats as pets. It grew to **1.2 million followers**.
- Launched **Daily with Dash** on Facebook for his first 6-months to share the impacts of cub petting. His story was also picked up by national media outlets and The Dodo.
- Worked with the **Species Survival Program** to provide a retirement home to two cheetahs.
- Assisted the **Department of Justice** in one of the largest scale rescues of big cats at "Tiger King Park."
- Tammy remains a member of the **Big Cat Sanctuary Alliance Steering committee**.
- Tammy presented to the **Justice Clearing House** on the Captive Wildlife Crisis.



*Gifts of \$25+received
8/13-10/28/2021*

In Honor & In Memory

As of 2022, gifts of \$50 and more will be published in our magazine

In Honor

In honor of Anna Shook

Roberta Badger-Cain

In honor of my birthday

Cecilia Wynia

In honor of Daria Dzura for her birthday

Vicki Dzura

In honor of Dr. Jerry Smith

Randi Helgeson

In honor of Freddie Conrad's birthday

Johanna Espe

In honor of Gail Plewacki's birthday

Marcia De Graaf

In honor of my Mother Elsie Comstock

Laura Arleth

In honor of our Louie, Josie, & Ringo

Holly and Brad Winscott-Cook

In honor of Todd Rundgren the Cat

Cristine Bergeson

In honor of my birthday

Joy Williams

In honor of Judson Tharin and his fantastic video and photography skills

Judson McNeil and The Toro Foundation

In honor of Judy Tull

Karen Kindred

In honor of my 65th Birthday

Julie Hockin

In honor of Lauren Orrison's birthday

Ted Saurman and Barb Booher

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Vanessa Lynn

In honor of Mary Simon

Ann-Marie Krahel

In honor of my boy Myles

Carol Ferraiuolo

In honor of my son Frank Gravina

Joyce Gravina

In honor of Patricia Jensen's birthday

Cheryl Laven

In honor of Randi Helgeson

Richard Distad and Helen Stidger Distad

In honor of Riku and my favorite, Anastasia

Kathleen Jackson

In honor of Rosalind Annen's birthday

Paula Nelson

In honor of Sharon Bovie's Birthday

Rocile Sokolosky

In honor of Stephanie Daily

Arthur Klassen

In honor of Susan & Jeff Moyer's wedding

Revel Miller

In honor of Sweetie

Joan Eichelberg

In honor of Ted Saurman's Birthday

Barb Booher

In honor of Tonia F.'s Birthday

Cari Mustard

In honor of Zoe Orrison's Birthday

Ted Saurman and Barb Booher

In Memory

In memory of Anne Barasch

Donna Czupta Grabowski

In memory of Bobby and Mike, both rescues & much loved

Leta Schaefer

In memory of Catherine Crossan-Vork

Ruth Vork

In memory of Copper, River, Panda and Suzie

Nancy Bolin

In memory of Ed Asner

Patricia Saphier

In memory of General and Sherman

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Beverly Slettehaug

In memory of Gloria Chesbrough

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In memory of Jenny I.

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In memory of Mufasa

James Howard

In memory of Meeko, Bryan Barrett Precious Kitty

Marlene Moore

In memory of Chupino and Marlene

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In memory of Mesa

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In memory of my beloved Claire

Christine Slate

In memory of my brother Craig

Paula Landregan-Zeman and Mike Zeman

In memory of my cats Sir Alex and Ziggy

Karen J Anderson

In memory of my nephew, Nick

Lynda Kostrzewski

In memory of our Tabby Reuben Q. Little

Catherine Jones

In memory of Pat O'Rourke

Randall and Heidi Isaak and Scott and Laura Weaver

In memory of Sarah Judkins

Sherry Barson, Toni Fanning, Tom and Robin Fonfara, Judith Israel, Elizabeth Springer, George & Greg Hall, from Laura's Atlanta Friends, Taylor Buffington, Pam Cobb, Lisa Neubauer, Rebecca Zaccardi

In memory of Spanky

Diane Riskevich



Chupino – The famous story of the cowardly lion is no match for you, our compassionate lion. Your compassion will continue to reign over the sanctuary every day.

In memory of Terry Fierce

Kevin and Cyndi Bechely, Mary Carr, Tim Fierce, Glenda Kreimeier, Linda and John Olvera, Jake Stariha, Cardiopulmonary Rehab Amita St Joseph Medical Center

In memory of the cats and their families we served

Pets Remembered Cremation



Marlene – it was a pleasure being your final chapter. Your story will live on here at the Sanctuary.

In memory of Topsy

Kande Larson

In memory of to the biggest tiger lover I know - Michele Yaccarino, my mother

Brandon Bowers

In memory of Tonka

Bonnie Hylton



Mesa – Caring and loving you was so easy. You lived every day in peace as you will forever this day forward.



Indie – You were always strong and independent and gave you us strength to say goodbye in our sadness.



Rocket – Your life wasn't measured by how much time you had on earth, but instead measured by the many hearts you touched.



ShyBear – Seeing you blossom into the social and sweet girl over the years will warm our hearts forever.

Tigerthon 2021

This year's Tigerthon fundraising event was another huge success!

Our amazing event sponsors inspired donors to give by offering a TRIPLE match of their gifts. Not only were we able to surpass our goal, but we raised even more than we did last year!

We're incredibly thankful to our Tigerthon sponsors featured below, as well as all of you who joined in to make Tigerthon such a fun day for the cats, too.



Lynn Krapf
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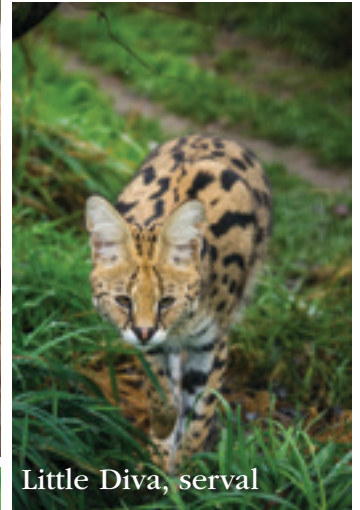
Benson, bobcat



Simon, tiger



Wally, lion



Little Diva, serval



Maximillion, F1 savannah



Sebastian, serval



Selene, bobcat



Shadow, leopard



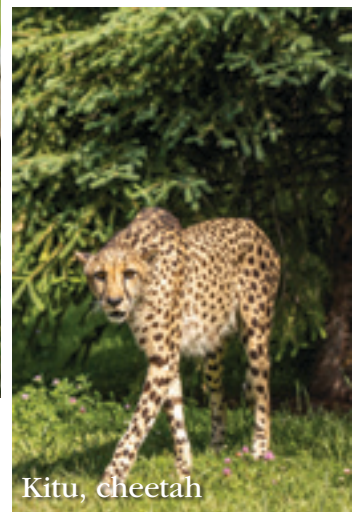
Tao, bobcat



Zeke, tiger



Aurora, caracal



Kitu, cheetah

You Can Help in Many Ways

Visit WildcatSanctuary.org and click on the HOW TO HELP tab at the top of our page for more information or call us at 320-245-6871. Thank you for considering helping in so many ways!



DONATE NOW

Your gift provides sanctuary to so many in need. Donate anytime at WildcatSanctuary.org or by mailing the enclosed envelope.



SPONSOR A WILD ONE

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!



GIVE MONTHLY

By signing up for monthly donations, you become part of our Monthly Pride. Your gifts can be used by the cats anytime in their hours of need.



ANIMAL CARE CENTER

Financially supporting the medical needs of our cats is critical. Your gift helps provide care and education, saving countless lives.



LEGACY PRIDE

A gift in your will is an important way to assure cats are being helped, even after you're gone. They'll still have your voice, your love, and support.



IN HONOR/IN MEMORY GIFT

For a \$50 donation, remember someone special with an "In Honor" or "In Memory" message listed in our UPROAR! Magazine.



ANIMAL MEMORIAL FUND

Your gift helps cover the cost of a cat's end-of-life medical expenses, cremation costs, painted rock memorial, and memorial plaque.



AMAZON WISH LIST

On Amazon, we keep a list of much-needed items for the cats. This is an easy way to help immediately with the cats' care. Visit bit.ly/TWSwish.



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CREATE A FUNDRAISER

For a special occasion, why not create a Facebook fundraiser at www.facebook.com/fundraisers/ Instead of gifts, you give life!



SHOP OUR ONLINE STORE

Shop logo and your favorite cat merchandise at bit.ly/ShopifyTWS It's a great way to spread the word about The Wildcat Sanctuary!



COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN

Are you or someone you know a federal employee? Choose The Wildcat Sanctuary with code #63620 for direct payroll deductions to support the cats.



OUR ANNUAL CALENDAR

Spend each day with the cats by ordering our beautiful calendar at bit.ly/TWSCalendar2022. They make great gifts, too!



VOLUNTEER

We have many ways of volunteering. From mowing, gardening, marketing, our crew workdays, and much more!



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That opportunity is coming up this spring, so you won't want to miss it.

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Did you know caring for just one big cat can cost as much as \$10,000 every single year, and we have over 130+ wild cats to support!

That's why we hope you'll share this giving opportunity with friends and family, too. Thank you!

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