



Rebel Yowl: How to be a Community Cat & Kitten Crusader

- Animal Control Officers are frontline heroes!
 - Problem solvers, advisors, educators, crusaders of change
- What makes a good, strong and credible TNR group?
 - Conduct reference checks, review TNR standards regarding safety and care, discuss trapping guidelines
- When building your coalition, you should think about:
 - How you will identify and vet prospects for the advisory committee/board
 - The core values and guidelines for the coalition
 - The need for a memorandum of understanding (MOU)
 - The mission and goals/impact you wish to make (know your community)
 - The key players and risk factors in determining who joins
 - Any partnerships necessary for success
- Gain public support: Build relationships that last
- Bringing it all together: TNR Clinics
 - Assistance requests, training, trap bank, finding the cats, trapping, housing, transport, day of clinic logistics, etc.
- How about a Kitten Rescue Team?
 - Decide who will be on the team, and how it will work
- First responders for neonatal kittens in the field: Do's and Don'ts
 - Immediate concerns: assess environmental dangers, health/injury status of kitten
 - Good intentions gone wrong: don't feed a kitten who is too hot, too cold or cannot swallow; don't warm or cool a kitten too drastically
 - Medical intervention in the field: stabilize temperature, hydrate if needed, give glucose and address other concerns as needed (injury, parasites, etc.)
 - Make a leave or take decision: health, age, ability to socialize, availability of reputable rescue or shelter, re-trapping potential
 - Have a life-saving travelling kit: well-supplied kit to address medical and feeding needs



Community Cat Coalitions create positive, life-saving solutions to help cats & kittens!

Animal Control Officers, like you, are key to community success!

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