



## The Barn Cat Placement Program



At Shelby County Humane Society we have found the answer to “Non-Toxic Pest Control!” BARN CATS!!! Barn cats will help keep rodents and other critters away from grain and food storage areas and you'll enjoy watching the cats as well as have the satisfaction of giving them a much-needed home! These cats are feral (semi-wild) and need to live at a farm, horse stable, warehouse, or other suitable outdoor location. This is a WIN-WIN situation.....these cats are in desperate need of an outdoor home and you have critters you would like to control without the use of poisons or nasty traps.

These cats look like lap kitties, but they “walk on the wild side”. Many people and shelters find them “not adoptable”. They are simply not socialized. At the Shelby County Humane Society, we feel they deserve another chance at living their lives to the fullest.....doing what they love to do.

All our cats have been medically assessed by our veterinarian and have been spay/neutered and are up to date on kitty vaccinations. No adoption fee will be assessed. Your only responsibility will be to provide daily food and water, protection from the elements, and long-term vet care.

Here's how our Barn Cat Program works:

1. We ask that you adopt at least two cats. They are social animals and enjoy a buddy.
2. When you receive the cats, enclose them in a tack room, stall, garage, etc. for 10 – 14 days. Provide food, water and shelter.
3. After this acclimation time period, allow them to explore their new surroundings. Please continue providing food, water and shelter for them. Cats are territorial creatures. They will usually maintain a home base once their scent has been established, a continuous food source is provided, and they feel safe

4. Declawed cats are not able to protect themselves and are not in the Barn Cat Placement Program. Neither are kittens under 12 weeks of age, since they are socialized and can be placed in homes. Also, cats with chronic health concerns, are not in the program.
5. In exchange for these loyal Pest Controllers, we ask that you agree to provide veterinary care, such as vaccinations on an annual basis. The cats will need to be trapped in a friendly trap for their trip to the vet. The Mary Gaylord McLean Clinic at the Shelby County Humane Society will be happy to help you maintain healthy kitties!

If you can open your hearts and your barn to these furry friends.....thank you. We appreciate your act of kindness and generosity more than you could ever know.

For more information about this great Barn Cat Placement Program, please contact the Shelby County Humane Society at 502-633-4033 or email at [shelbysociety@hotmail.com](mailto:shelbysociety@hotmail.com)