

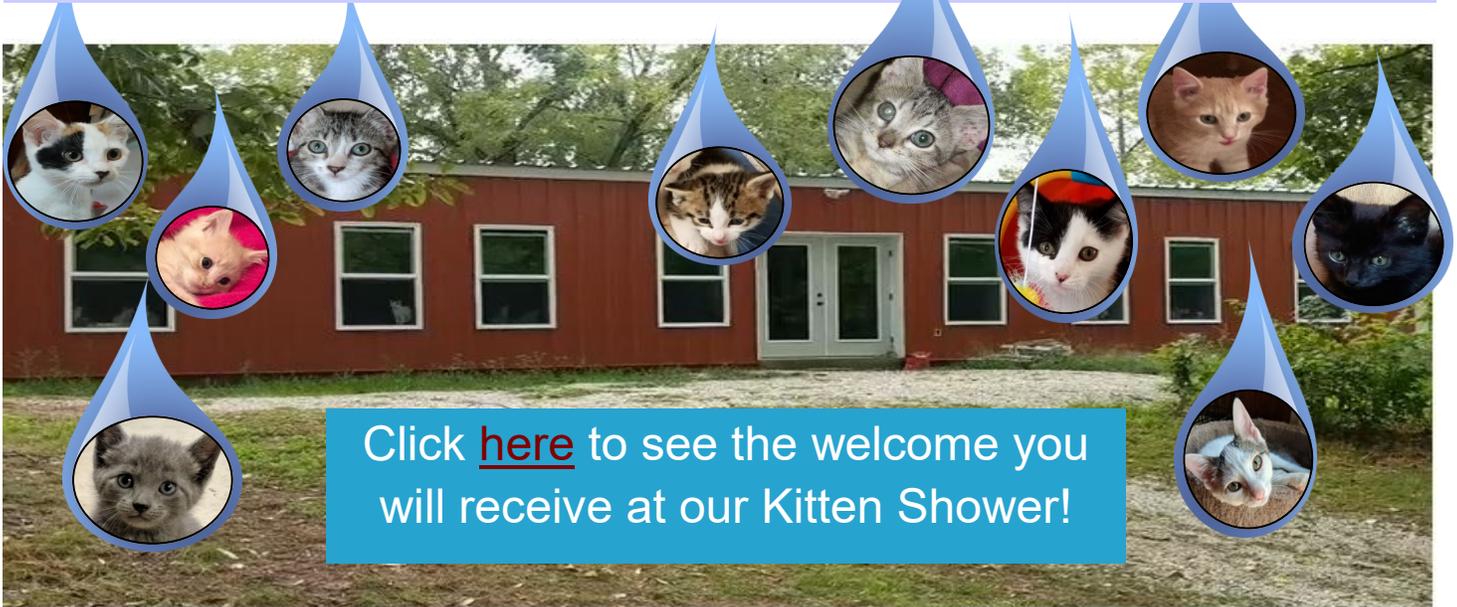
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Welcome to our first issue of 2019!



Click [here](#) to see the welcome you will receive at our Kitten Shower!

Kittens will be arriving soon!

We're happy to invite you to our 2nd Annual Kitten Shower to see all the changes since last year!

More of our cat rooms now have wall covering and ceramic tile floors. Our quarantine room is nearing completion, and we've installed an in-duct air purifier. We have a new utility tub in the laundry room and sink in the lobby. The changes you will probably notice the most are the dropped ceiling and new work station in the lobby area. And we have many more cats in residence!

In anticipation of all the new arrivals this year (and of course, for all of our kitties already here), we would welcome kitten shower gifts! Surprise a kitty with a new toy, something delicious, or a necessity of cat-life by purchasing off one of our wish lists or by bringing items to the shower. We particularly need Purina One cat and kitten dry food. Kitties love donations of cash or checks as well!

We'll have adoptable cats and kittens for you to meet, great items to raffle off, a cat-themed selfie booth, yummy refreshments, and items for sale.

We look forward to seeing you at Kitten Shower 2019! Click on the flyer to link to our Facebook event!

Eden Animal Haven's 2nd Annual Kitten Shower

We will have cat snuggles, raffles, and snacks! The kittens have made a wish list:

- *Amazon Items: <http://a.co/8V3yrkh>
- *Cat/kitten food
- *Clay litter
- *Monetary donations



April 7, 2019 1:00 - 4:00
1649 E 562nd Road
Brighton, MO 65617

We had a great winter fundraising season, thanks to our supporters!



Thanks to everyone for supporting Eden Animal Haven, whether through enjoying a fundraiser meal, donating at open houses, voting for us in contests, or hosting a birthday fundraiser. Large or small, donations add up and have enabled us to build our wonderful new building!

Among our winter fundraisers for which we are thankful:

- ♥ Dinner at Moe's Southwest Grill
- ♥ Holiday Open House at EAH
- ♥ Youngblood Auto Ozark Outreach Award
- ♥ Donations in memory of Tim Ridge

- ♥ Facebook birthday fundraisers:
 - Jackie Mitchell
 - Mary Lanier Bohlen
 - Connie Clark
 - Leslie Sawyer
 - Kecia Crumrine
- ♥ And a birthday supply drive by a young supporter named Audrey!

Giving Tuesday 2018: A truly heart-warming show of support

Giving Tuesday began in 2012 as a counterpoint to the consumerist frenzy of Black Friday and Cyber Monday. After we bask in the warmth of family and good food on Thanksgiving, and then lock in our holiday shopping bargains in the following days, Giving Tuesday provides an opportunity to reflect on our good fortune and pay it forward to those in need. Although our first time participating in 2017 was amazing, our donors hit it out of the ballpark in 2018! We exceeded our fundraising goal of \$5000 toward our catios, and won a match of \$3000 from the Paypal Foundation! We want to thank everyone who donated and helped us obtain this match, the many adopters who allowed us to feature their cats throughout the day, and Facebook and Paypal for making this possible.

Friends of the sanctuary: The Albright family!



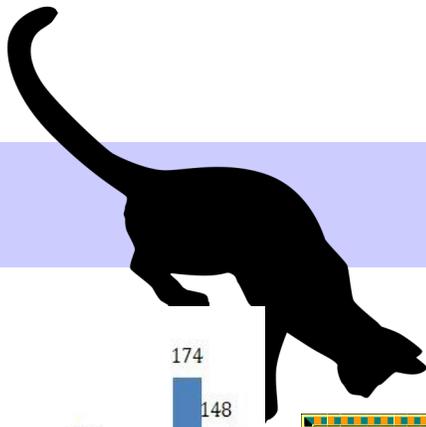
Members of the Albright family became involved with EAH when they adopted cats Zara and Sugar. "We noticed how thankful these two are to have a forever family. They pay us back each day with their loving ways," Jessica said.

She and her sister, Jennifer, and mother, Rosalinda, volunteer weekly at EAH to clean and socialize with the cats. They recently donated a cat exercise wheel (see it in action [here!](#)).

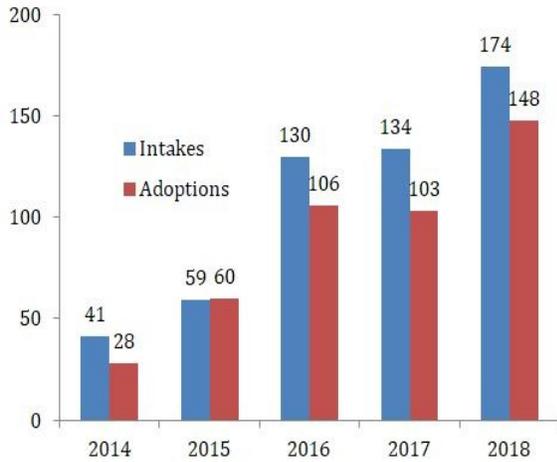
Jessica also helped organize and promote the successful first Drag Bingo fundraiser at Fuzion. They assembled prize baskets, arranged for cat-themed drinks, and Jessica did a "cat dance" with drag queens for tips that were donated to EAH.

She encourages others to support EAH by volunteering, fostering or donating. She says "A cat sanctuary is something everyone in a community needs to come together to support."





Cat-ologue



With our building mostly completed, we reached new high numbers last year. Cat intakes jump from 134 in 2017 to 174, and adoptions increased about 50% from 103 in 2017 to 148 in 2018.

The number of cats in the rescue on average per month (including in foster) rose from about 50 in 2016 to 70 in 2017 to over 80 last year. We exceeded our previous highest occupancy of 94 in 2017, reaching 112 in October 2018. These numbers greatly increase our cat care workload, so we are very grateful to our volunteers!

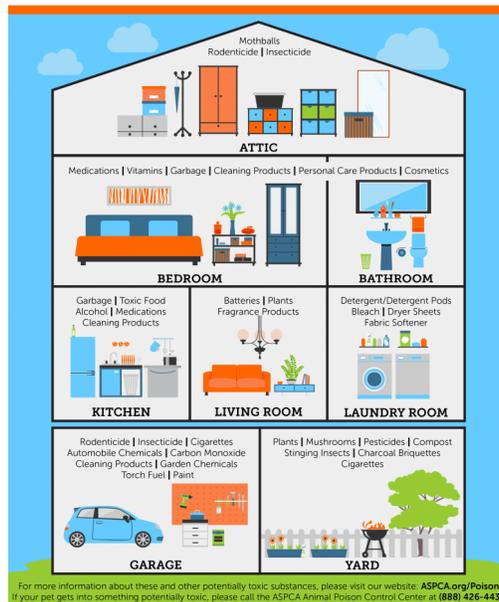
Our continued growth is thanks to your donations and support!

Beware of household dangers to cats

When spring is late in coming, plants and flowers are a good way to brighten up the house, and at this time of year Easter lilies are a popular choice. But they and other plants can poison your cat, so be careful.

The Food and Drug Administration warns Easter lilies can kill cats. So can related flowers, such as tiger, Asiatic, day and Japanese show lilies. If you suspect your cat has eaten any part of a lily or its pollen, call your vet or rush it to an emergency veterinary clinic (in Springfield, 400 S. Glenstone, 417-890-1600).

ASPCA Household Dangers: Room by Room

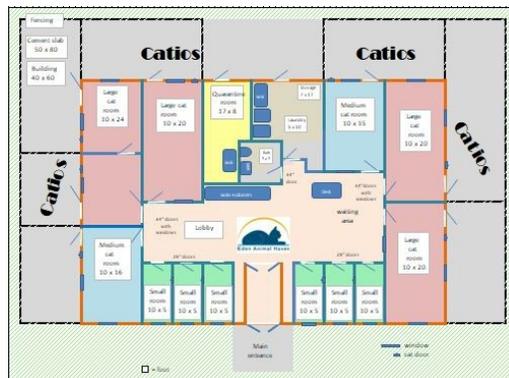


Also be aware of other common household dangers.

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (hotline 888-426-4435) lists the top ten causes of pet poisonings as over-the-counter medications (41,865 cases last year), human prescriptions, food (mainly grapes, raisins, onions and garlic), chocolate, veterinary products, including flavored medications, paint, glue and cleaning products (including the ingredients in home-made slime!), rodent-killing products, insecticides, plants and garden products.

What are "catios"?

We keep mentioning this last step we need to complete on our building. "Catios" are fenced-in patio spaces that our cats will have access to from cat-doors already installed in our community cat rooms. This is another aspect of our building that we adopted from Cat World at Best Friends Animal Sanctuary (see Bill in one at right!)





Contact us!

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Find our adoptable kitties:

<http://awos.petfinder.com/shelters/MO613.html>



<http://www.petstablished.com/organization/312>



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On the catwalk: Lonnie & Solomon



Lonnie and Solomon are brothers from another mother! Although they are not related, they are best buddies! Where one is, the other is never far behind, and they are frequently seen taking naps together.

Lonnie is 3 years old and Solomon is 18 months. Both are sweet, outgoing and affectionate. They have been at Eden Animal Haven a long time, and it is time for them to find a family! Could you be that special family that these two adorable boys have been waiting for? So they can stay together, their adoption fee is sponsored by a generous donor! You can find out more about Lonnie & Solomon and download our online application at www.petstablished.com/organization/312.



You've gotta be kitten me!

This month's "kitten smitten" caption was submitted by our board president, Pam Adelman! This delightful pair is Monica and Clara! Monica was found as a tiny kitten outside a bowling alley in June 2018 and Clara was found in April that year. Each have splotches of orange in their fur, and Monica has cute little tufts at the tips of her ears. They are both affectionate and playful girls, looking for their perfect families! Monica may be adopted for a \$75 fee and Clara for \$25. Contact us if you are interested in meeting them!

Upcoming events for Eden Animal Haven

Chipotle Fundraiser May 11 2019

Join us from 4-8pm at Chipotle Mexican Grill, 3356 S. Campbell in Springfield. Choose your own combination of wholesome ingredients for your burrito, taco, bowl or other selection from Chipotle's menu, made to your order.

Show our [flyer](#) on paper or phone or simply mention you are supporting Eden Animal Haven when you pay, and we will receive a portion of the proceeds!

Drag Bingo June 30 2019

Watch our Facebook page and website for our second Drag Bingo event at Fuzion, 1611 N. Campbell in Springfield. Doors open at 4pm with bingo from 5-8pm. Drinks and casual food are available to order. We will have cool bingo prizes for each round and some bigger baskets to auction off!

It costs only \$10 for 10 bingo cards, and you may play as many as you want each round!

Also watch our pages for these fun events coming up in 2019:

Our second annual Big Meowski bowling party, tentatively set for August 22

Our third annual Painting with a Purpose class, scheduled for September 12

And stay tuned for an awesome NEW music event coming up in the Fall!