

# FOSTER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Fostering is very rewarding and fun but there is work involved. We will assign a mentor to you to help you with your fostering experience. As a foster, you are responsible for the following:

- Giving oral or topical medications as scheduled (generally every 2 weeks)
- Possibly giving daily medications for 7-10 days
- Keeping a chart of Kittens' weights.
  - This is extremely important for two reasons.
    - With newborn to 4 week old kittens, weight loss can be very serious and requires immediate action.
    - We use the cat/s weights to determine when to give vaccinations and have the cat spayed/neutered.
- Supplement feed kittens if necessary.
  
- Socializing. Happy, confident cats and kittens have a greater chance of being adopted quickly so it's very important to socialize our cat/s. Play, pet and cuddle often. Try to expose them to new people to grow their confidence in strangers. Contact Libby (links & contacts) for socializing suggestions. Also try:
  - The Kitten Lady on YouTube is a wonderful resource for socializing and just about everything else!
  - Youtube-cat socialization
  
- Transport cat/s to Petsmart (14 Mile & Haggerty) or Nadi's house (14 Mile & M5) as needed for vaccinations (generally every 2-3 weeks) depending on age and weight.
- Transport cat to vets if necessary
- Transport cat/s to Nadi's house on a Wednesday morning at 6:30 AM for spay/neuter and pick up on Thursday 8:15-8:45 AM.
- Transport to Petsmart when an adoption appointment is scheduled.
  
- Order supplies (if needed) by Wednesday for pick up **ON SATURDAY ONLY** at 2-3:30pm at Sparebox Storage located at 46550 W Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake, MI 48390.
  
- Write an accurate, detailed bio of each cat (see writing a Bio document)
- Have 3-5 pictures of each cat. For kittens do not send their "baby" pictures
- Videos are a great way for them to be seen in their comfortable environment.
- Send adoption information the week they are being spayed/neutered. See the Links & Contacts document.
  
- As a rescue we have limited resources. Food, litter and other necessities are supplied by the rescue. Should you elect to purchase supplies for our foster cats in your home, or use your own veterinarian for any reason (without first being approved by the rescue) we will not be able to reimburse you for your expenses.