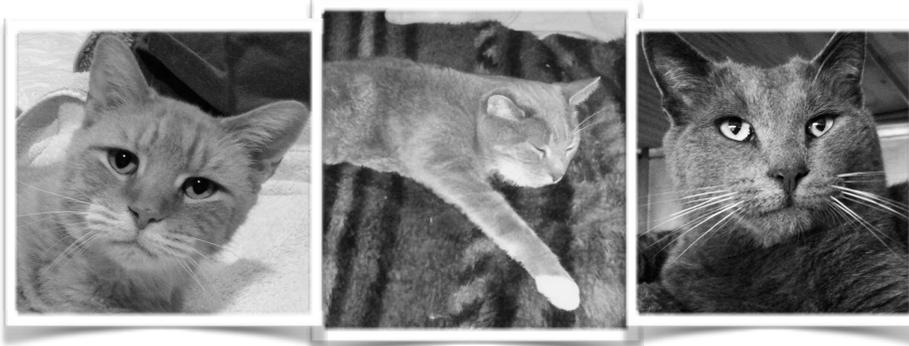




CATS R US



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All recently adopted FIV+ cats: 3 cheers for Rooster, Froggy Murphy, and Brutus!!!

Special Needs Cats and Kittens at CRU

The messages asking for help with rescuing stray cats and kittens come to us daily. Our ability to assist these wayward felines and their concerned advocates is limited by spaces available in our foster home system or at our two cage-free shelters. When a space becomes available we commit to the care of the animal, sometimes, for life. Not everyone who contacts us for help can afford to take the cat or kitten to a veterinarian prior to the animal coming to Cats R Us. Our focus is not on special needs animals but, on occasion, we take cats and kittens into our rescue that require more medical care than initially anticipated. In other cases sometimes highly adoptable adult cats end up staying with us for an extended time due to no fault of their own. Please read on to learn about some of these special animals who, if they could, would thank you themselves for your generous donation so Cats R Us volunteers can continue to provide the medical care and love they need until they find their forever homes.

CRU functions solely on the support of volunteers and generous donors. As a no-kill organization, all our cats stay with us as long as they need a place to stay.

FIV: Feline Immunodeficiency Disease

FIV shouldn't be so scary! It's a species specific virus and cannot be spread to people. Many cats testing positive with FIV live a long life, especially if routine wellness care is provided. The most common means of transmission of the virus is through bite wounds. Outdoor cats are more likely to contract FIV than indoor cats, and male cats are twice as likely to be infected due to their tendencies to roam and fight. So how do we reduce the numbers of cats being exposed to the FIV virus? Spay, neuter, and keeping cats indoors is the answer! These FIV+ cats (pictured right) are still looking for their forever homes. They hope to get lucky like their former CRU alumni pictured above!



Blue-eyed lovebug, Perry, Wilson the big teddy-bear and Soliane, a petite sweetie-pie

Feline Diabetes

Lily (*pictured, right*) was surrendered to an area shelter and found herself on the dreaded "Put to Sleep" list because she was a senior gal, needed dental work, was diabetic, and the shelter was full. Cats R Us knew what to do: we rescued Lily, and placed her in a foster home.

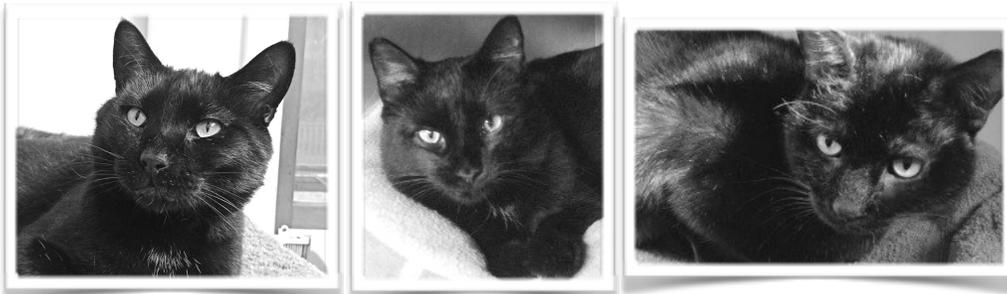


After a few months of TLC, including dental work and a diet change (from dry to canned only), Lily's insulin dependent diabetes went into remission and she flourished. One of the sweetest cats CRU has seen, Lily still has many years of love to give, and now she has the undivided attention of a little girl who only saw an awesome cat.

Boo Boo (*pictured left*) is a special needs older diabetic cat still seeking his forever home. He hopes to follow in Lily's paw prints and meet his new family soon!

Black Cat Syndrome

This is not a medical condition and may be something you've never heard of but it refers to the phenomena that many animal rescue groups experience when it comes to adopting out black cats. Sadly, they are often the last to find forever homes. Many times these cats are with us for extended time periods simply because of their coat color. The cats pictured below are still seeking their forever homes. They are not bad luck!



Singularity, a sweet BIG lug; Citgo, beautiful lap cat; and Logan, loves laying in the sun



Lucky black cat Ebony (*pictured left*) has defied black cat syndrome and found her forever home!

Can you help us continue to care for cats like these? Any amount given is greatly appreciated and allows us to continue saving lives. Your donation is tax deductible. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

You may have received our special edition summer newsletter. We are beyond grateful to everyone who donated. Your generosity helps the cats and only the cats. This will be the first of what we hope to be an annual year-end newsletter. If you'd like to stay up-to-date with Cats R Us, please sign up for our seasonal e-newsletter through our website, catsrusrescue.org. Want even more Cats R Us? Follow us on [Facebook.com/catsrusrescue](https://www.facebook.com/catsrusrescue), Twitter (@catsrusrescue), and catsrus.petfinder.com!