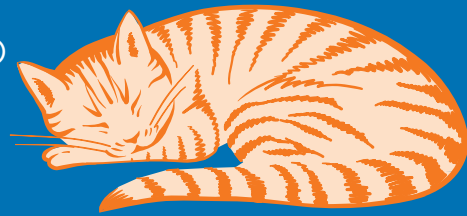




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SUMMER 2025 NEWSLETTER:

THE LINDA FUND EDITION

Starring Willie
& Friends!

If you've ever loved a cat, this is your moment. Picture the sweet face who changed your life ... and see them in the eyes of a cat who needs you.

Now through 9/30, your donation will be doubled for cats in desperate need. The Linda Fund Matching Challenge is our once-a-year chance to save the critically ill, desperately injured, littlest, last, and lost.

We don't know the hour they will

arrive. In that moment, there will be no time to raise funds. But we can be ready.

Your donation today will save a cat in the most critical hour of his life.

Please make the next Linda Fund cat "your" cat. This is love's biggest moment of the year!



Our little lion has overcome hardship and fear

New Beginnings: Willie

Angela Townsend, Development Director

Willie was once a majestic little lion with nothing to fear.

But it had been a long time since anyone stroked his mane. When his family cast him outside, Willie had to be brave. Hunger left him frail as a

dandelion.

Underweight and vulnerable, he was attacked by a deadly parasite. Seizures thundered his ragged little body. Willie's life was leaving him, and since he did not belong to anyone, there was no hope.

Or so it would seem.

Willie belonged to **you**, because you gave to the Linda Fund last year. The forgotten lion became a Tabby's Place cat. Intensive care would be costly, but Willie was not "just a stray." He was ours.

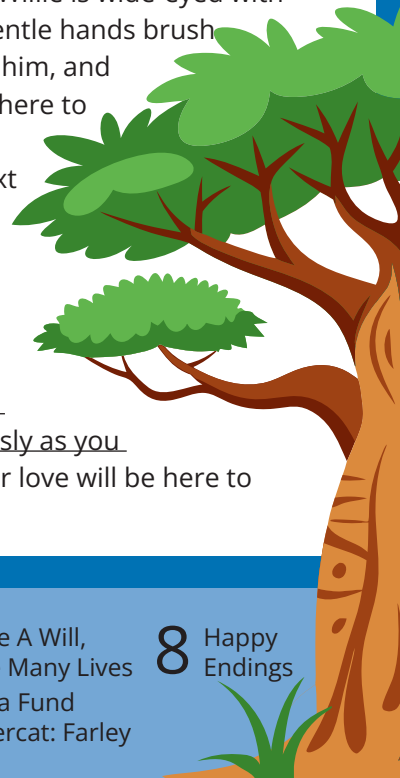
And thanks to you, love reigned.

Today, the little lion is the king of hearts. As his recovery journey continues, Willie is wide-eyed with wonder. Gentle hands brush and caress him, and fear is nowhere to be found.

The next Willie will find his way to Tabby's Place soon. Please give as generously as you can, so your love will be here to meet him.



Your donation will be doubled to save the next Willie



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Linda Who?

At six weeks of age, Linda never meant to meander away from her mama. But an innocent kitten assumes the world is kind, so Linda embarked on a little adventure.

The next thing she knew, she was

shrieking in pain. Something had burned her fuzzy legs.

If you've ever heard a kitten cry, you know that sound could break the universe's heart in two.

Linda looked hopeless, but a kind passerby had heard of a place that worked miracles.

That was 2011, and Linda was about to become a living legend.

Saving the orphan would be costly. But when you're a Tabby's Place cat, you are worth everything love can give.

Emergency care saved Linda's life, and weeks of intensive care saved her legs. Free from pain, Linda's wail became a victory cry. Today, her song goes on in a home of her own.



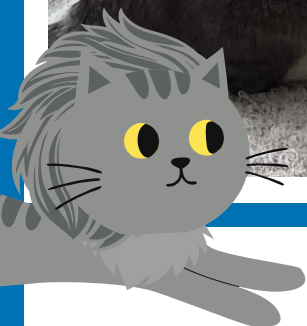
Today, Linda thrives in her forever home



Linda needed heroic care to recover from her injuries

Inspired by Linda, we resolved that Tabby's Place would never turn away a sick or injured cat due to cost. But in order to say "yes" to every Linda, we would need a reserve for life-saving care.

The Linda Fund was born...and hope is reborn every August. Please give while your donation will be doubled, so the next Linda will find her miracle. **AT**



Linda Fund Supercat: Honeysuckle



Injured and afraid, Honeysuckle landed in the safe arms of the Linda Fund

No kitten thinks of herself as small. She may be dainty as a blossom, but as she frolics and romps, she feels invincible. The whole world is her garden.

But despite her courage, a five-week-old kitten is as frail as new grass. Separated from her mama, Honeysuckle sustained a series of injuries. By the time a sanitation worker found her beneath a truck, the shivering baby had a fractured jaw, wounded ear, and gravely injured front leg.

Like you, this kind man could not turn away from a cat in need. He wrapped her in his sweatshirt and rushed her to a place he'd heard could mend the broken: Tabby's Place.

All at once, the orphan had a family. Kisses showered her tiny head. Though she was in terrible pain, she felt a little taller in the presence of love.

Like another grey-and-white kitten before her (see "*Linda Who?*", *above*), Honeysuckle was "hopeless" no more. You don't have to be invincible

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when you are loved. You don't have to worry when you're a Tabby's Place cat.

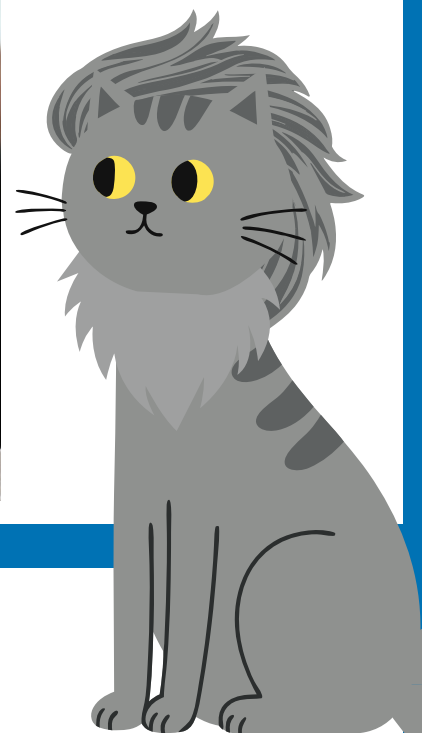
And when you're part of a family this big, it's safe to be small.

If you've ever given to the Linda Fund, **you** are part of the family that saved Honeysuckle. Your gift today will be doubled for the next desperate kitten. Please grant her a place in the garden of your heart.

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Thanks to you, our brave blossom is making a full recovery



Linda Fund Supercats: Gallium and Berry

Whether they've lived at Tabby's Place ten minutes or ten years, each cat is held by the same promise: *you will have everything you need, no matter what.*

We stand by each other in this family, and when one member has an emergency, everyone springs into action.

Your Linda Fund donation keeps the promise to cats like Gallium, whose sudden symptoms could have soon turned fatal. Thanks to you, our

graceful girl received intensive care for an aggressive infection, charming the whole emergency room on her way to recovery. Today, she is thriving in her forever home.

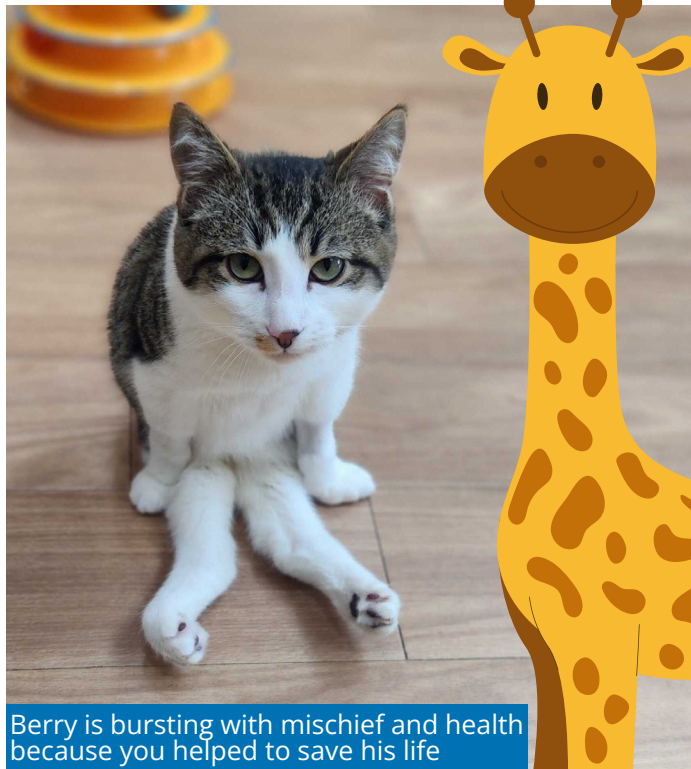
Your love is an unbreakable lifeline for residents like Berry. Our merry little muffin has been at Tabby's Place since infancy. Undaunted by his spina bifida, he is sweet, strong, and spectacularly silly. But

as Berry reached adolescence, a siege of complications crashed his party. Once again, you were here, funding the surgeries that saved his life.

Old or new, cats count on you. Please give to the Linda Fund, so love can keep its promise. **AT**



Without the Linda Fund, we would have lost our sweet Gallium



Berry is bursting with mischief and health because you helped to save his life



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Linda Fund Supercat: Mikey

If he were a human, Mikey would wear his baseball cap backwards and give everyone funny nicknames. He loves nothing more than to snuggle, wriggle, and make you giggle.

But not long ago, Mikey's life was no laughing matter.



Your Linda Fund donations were there for Mikey

Before he came to Tabby's Place, Mikey had surgery for a urinary blockage. But something went terribly wrong, leaving him prone to dangerous infections and ongoing suffering.

That's just the time you danced into his life, through the power of your Linda Fund donations.

Mikey did not need to wait for relief. Your generosity was there to expedite his surgery. And today, Mikey is making the most of his health. Our cuddly comedian always looks as though he's smiling ... and he hopes he'll make you do the same.



Today, our giddy guy enjoys stellar health

Just don't call him "Michael."

We're all cozy here, and if you lean in close enough, you may even hear Mikey's nickname for you ... "hero." **AT**

BEHAVIOR CORNER

Subtle Signs Your Cat is Sick

Carolyn Schultz, Adoption Team Lead & Behavior Team Lead

You know you should take your cat to a veterinarian for symptoms like vomiting or lack of appetite. But cats are notorious about hiding sickness, and the earliest signs may appear as behavioral issues. For this reason, we



Affectionate Tootsie would never turn away attention ... except when she wasn't feeling well. A friendly cat acting shy is often an early sign of medical distress.

always recommend a vet check-up if your cat's behavior changes.

For instance...

- Has your cat started **growling** when you pick them up? They may be feeling discomfort or pain.
- Have you noticed your cat **overgrooming**, especially by their joints? They may, again, be licking the area in an effort to relieve pain or discomfort.
- Is your cat suddenly having accidents **outside of the litter box**? They could have a urinary tract infection.
- Do they no longer **want to romp** with their best buddy? They might not be feeling well and lack the energy or desire to play.
- Are they **sleeping all day**, or in **unusual spots**? This might be a



Peabody is one of our most exuberant cats, but when he became sullen and withdrawn, we knew something was wrong. We were able to catch a serious infection before it was too late.

sign that they are feeling unwell and do not want to be around the usual activity in the home.

It's never the wrong call to take your cat to the vet if you notice a change in behavior. In fact, it's an act of love. You might catch an issue early on, which could lead to more successful treatment.

When in doubt, get them checked out!



Forever Loved: Puff

Jonathan Rosenberg, Founder & Executive Director

The word “puff” evokes thoughts of things light and airy (think “puff pastry”). The word is derived from the Old English *pyffian*, which means “imitative of the sound of a breath.”

“Light and airy” is an apt description of our Puff. It seemed as if a strong breath could blow her away.

Despite this, and her FeLV+ status, there was a substantialness to her. It wasn't physical. Maybe it was the

soul you saw when she looked into your eyes. Or, maybe it was the gentleness with which she approached everything. Whatever it was, it was universal. Everyone who saw Puff, fell in love with her.

She was always sitting at the front of her suite window, making eye contact and clearly expressing a desire for friendship. I would inevitably make a detour to spend some quality time with her. (When I entered the room, she would shyly scurry away, doing the standard “cat flirtation” that they learn in Cat 101.)

She would quickly relent and sit demurely, welcoming good scratches and conversation.

There was something tender about Puff, and I wanted to protect her. Unfortunately, the universe didn't ask what



Puff had a place of her own in every heart she met



Delicate and dignified, Puff loved her life at Tabby's Place

I wanted, and she began to fade. A sudden decline is not uncommon in FeLV+ cats, but with supportive care, they sometimes recover. This was not to be for dear Puff.

Puff lived with grace and delicacy. I can still see her sitting there, somehow both solid and ineffable. My memory of her is enduring, and I will always miss my friend. RIP, baby girl.

Linda Fund Supercat: Nelson

If you've been lonely all your life, you don't expect a love song. But when kindness croons your name, the worst day of your life can become the best.

Nelson was barely making it by outdoors when tragedy struck. Trauma left him blind and bleeding. But his injuries caught the attention of an angel in disguise. She raced him to the place where “hopeless” cats are serenaded like sweethearts.

Nelson was about to land center stage in the heart of Tabby's

Place.

But he was not a moment too soon, for his injuries were the least of his problems.

Lurking beneath Nelson's soft stripes was an advanced case of feline infectious peritonitis (FIP).



Nelson is back on the road again to good health

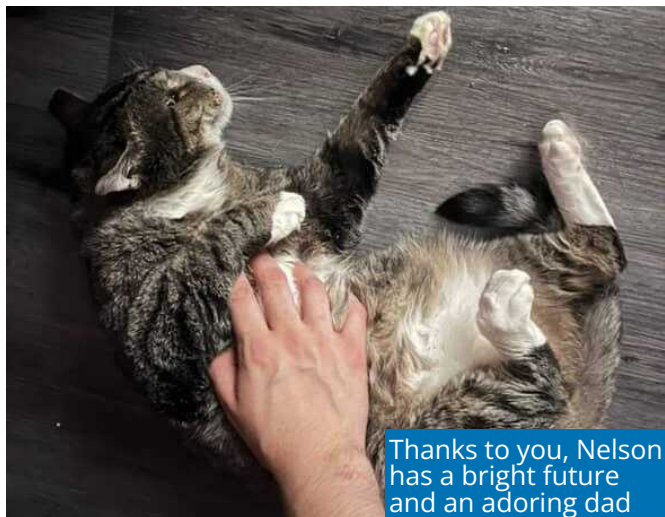
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Thanks to you, Nelson has a bright future and an adoring dad

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World-class specialists worked for days, as Nelson battled anemia, hypoglycemia, cardiac and kidney abnormalities, and a surge of fluid in his lungs and abdomen.

It was a heroic effort for one humble little stray.

But when you're a Tabby's Place cat, you are braided into a love that will not let you go.

Thanks to [the Linda Fund](#),

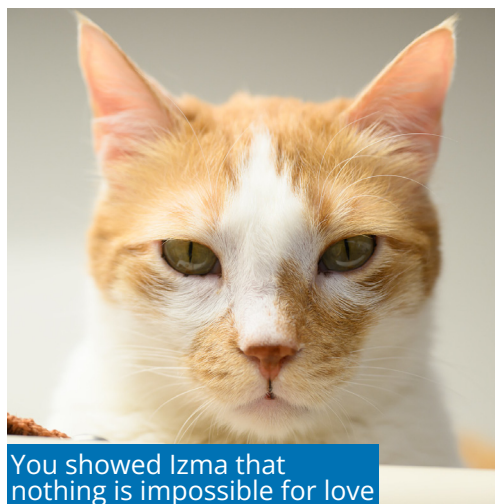
Nelson received extraordinary care. The rhythm of life returned to his body. And today, the bravest brown tabby in the world is on top of the world (specifically, in his forever home).

It could have been so different for Nelson. But [when you give to the Linda Fund](#), the lost can live. Please be a love song for the next lonely wanderer. [AT](#)

Linda Fund Supercat: Izma

Izma arrived with smiling eyes and a creamsicle coat, a pastel portrait of hope. But the beauty from Beirut carried suitcases of sorrow.

Izma's innocence had met unimaginable cruelty in war-torn Lebanon. Angel rescuers pulled her from an abusive pet shop, but the



You showed Izma that nothing is impossible for love

damage had been done. Izma's throat was raw from a condition called *nasopharyngeal stenosis*.

Despite her pain, our courageous chatterbox still believed in love. In a confident, piccolo voice, Izma informed us that the best "iz" always yet to come.

But before Izma could embrace the future, we would need to mend the pain of the past.

Izma's chirps and purrs were choked by coughing fits and breathing difficulties, and we wept to see her suffer. She could be healed, but the cure would be expensive. Is one little cat from across the ocean "worth it?"

Is it possible to love without counting the cost? Yes ... [with your help](#).

Thanks to you, Tabby's Place agrees with Izma: nothing is impossible. [The Linda Fund](#) provided Izma's delicate



Izma 'iz' the epitome of hope and courage

treatment. Today, the cat whose name means "privilege and honor" is gabbing and galloping in her forever home.

Is it possible that love can change the world?

The privilege is ours ... and yours, when you [donate to the Linda Fund](#).

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Donor-Advised Funds (DAFs) Save Cats!

If you have a DAF (or are curious about establishing one), [click here](#) to make a powerful gift in just a few easy steps. You don't need to be wealthy to benefit from a DAF ... and you can have a mighty impact on a cat who needs you.





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Make a Will, Save Many Lives

Sometimes “love” wears the face of “plans.”

The Linda Fund is our way of loving cats who have yet to come. Sight unseen, we know they will arrive, trusting us to save their lives. Your Linda Fund donation loves them in advance.

Planning ahead is a powerful way to love in your own life, too. By making

an estate plan, you ensure you can be here for the people and cats you cherish, beyond the bounds of your lifetime.

Tabby's Place believes so strongly in planning ahead, we offer a free program for you to start your will online.

If you are so moved, you may choose to include our cats in your

estate. Planned gifts are among the most life-saving donations we receive, and your bequest will welcome many “hopeless” and forgotten cats into the arms of love.

But whether or not you include a gift to Tabby's Place, this tool is a free gift to you ... and a powerful way to plan ahead for love. **AT**



Your love can rise up to save cats like Nirvana and Elton for years to come



You can leave a legacy of life and hope for cats like Cinnamon

Linda Fund Supercat: Farley

Cheerful Farley opened each day as a gift. Zesty and bouncy as a little black olive, he approached life as a grand adventure.

But Farley's optimism was about to



Farley counted on true friends like you

crash into crisis. Lungworm infection is an insidious foe, and even a healthy cat can succumb quickly. The black cat with the golden heart was in the fight of his life, and losing fast.

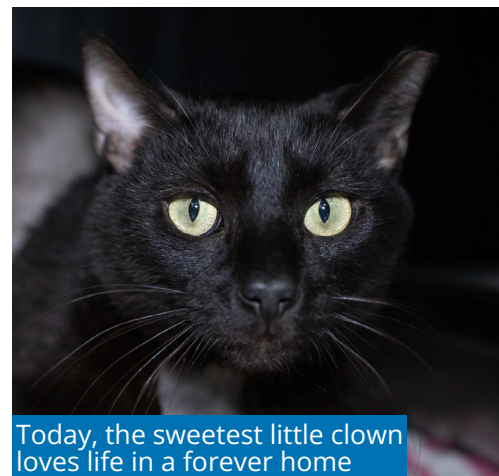
But in the throes of illness, Farley never lost hope. Though he could barely lift his head, he smiled into the loving eyes that encircled him.

And when you are a Tabby's Place cat, love is always looking out for you – no matter the cost.

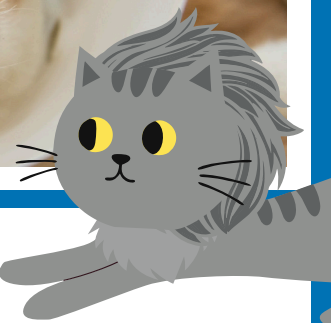
Thanks to the Linda Fund, there was no limit on Farley's stay at a world-class hospital. Our innocent optimist received cutting-edge care and tender mercies. At last, against all odds, Farley was healthy enough to come home.

Farley's hope never wavered, and

today he thrives with his forever family. We have hope, too, because we know you are a friend to the friendless and forgotten. Please give to the Linda Fund, so your donation will be doubled for the next dear Farley.



Today, the sweetest little clown loves life in a forever home



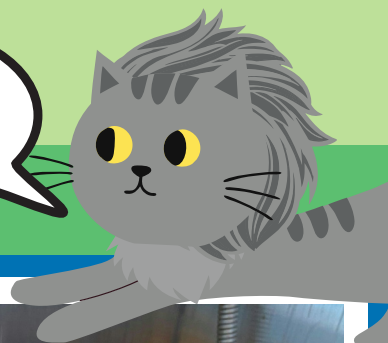


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MEOW!



Happy Endings: Marco

A cotton-candy cloud with twin oceans for eyes, Marco looks like a fairytale. But his plush paws walked a steep and rocky road to happily ever after.

When rescuers found him, Marco was scarcely six pounds and scrounging through a shoebox. Frail and tangled, the little butterscotch Persian would need advanced care.

Tabby's Place was across the Atlantic from Marco's birthplace of Beirut. But love knows no distance, and the whole world is our neighborhood when a cat is in need. Marco made the journey ... just in time.

Not only was our little cloud covered in ringworm, but Marco's body

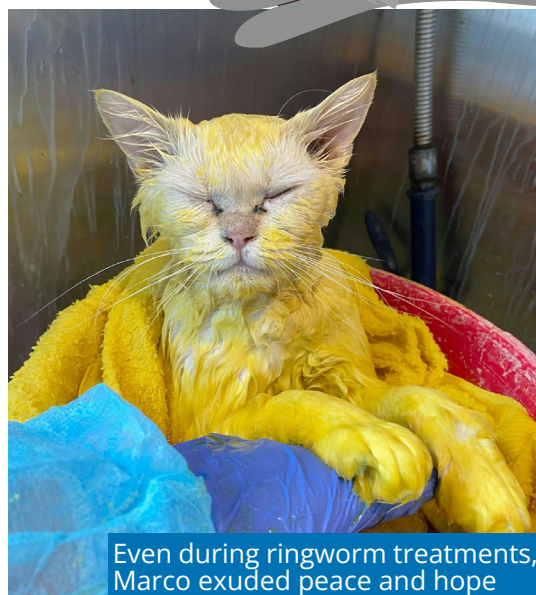
thundered with peril. He suffered the most severe liver shunt our vet team had seen in over 22 years and 4,600 cats. Without a daring, risky surgery, Marco would not survive.

Thanks to the Linda Fund, love once again went the distance. Against all odds, Marco sailed through surgery and recovery without so much as the smallest side effect. But the fairytale had just begun.

The moment they glimpsed his innocent face online, C. and S.'s hearts leapt. Devoted Tabby's Place supporters since 2011, they set up an adoption appointment. It was clear at once that Marco was meant to be theirs.

Marco's family diligently prepared his "palace," where he would become the baby brother to elderly Labrador retrievers. As soon as his mom opened Marco's carrier, he leapt into her lap ... where he has basked in bliss ever since.

His parents share that he's gregarious with everyone, telling his "big story" to all who visit. He loves his dog sisters, being groomed, and treats, and he even knows how to laugh at himself. When he overestimates how far he



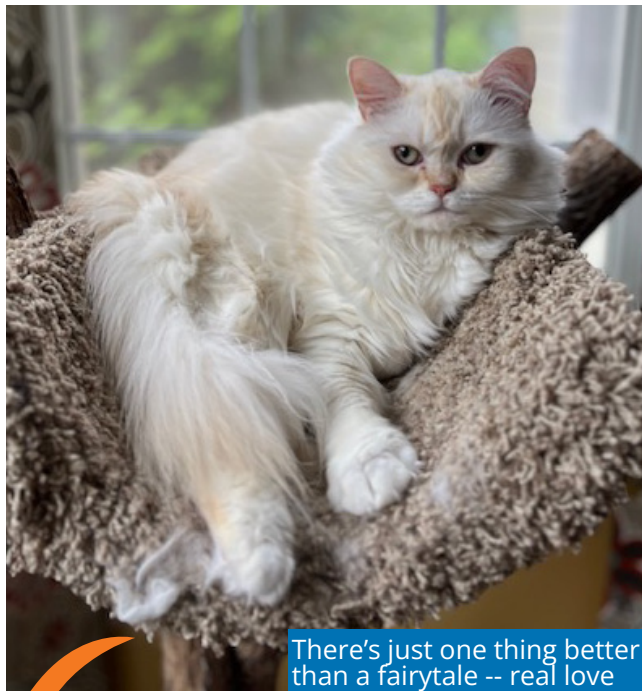
Even during ringworm treatments, Marco exuded peace and hope

can fly and just misses a bed or a chair, he'll simply yell out, "Mew!"

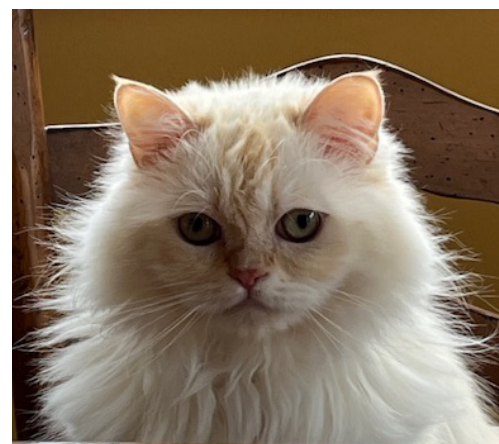
The little lost prince has found the one thing better than a fairytale: steadfast love, as real as life.

Your Linda Fund donation will go the distance for the next Marco. Please write his non-fiction love story today!

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There's just one thing better than a fairytale -- real love



Thanks to the Linda Fund, Marco's life is sweet as marzipan

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