



New Beginnings: Hannah

Angela Townsend, Development Director

Rosy-cheeked, roly-poly Hannah had a bleak start to life. Born with Manx syndrome, he suffered from severe abnormalities to his hind end. Without surgical correction, he would never eliminate without pain.

Rescuers had mercy on the tailless toddler and scraped together the funds for

reconstructive surgery. But incontinent Hannah would always be a little fragile and "messy." He needed a haven with unique expertise and boundless patience.

Thanks to you, Hannah's search for love led to Tabby's Place!

Today, our exuberant youngster is the goofiest gumdrop at Tabby's Place. Gentle baths keep him clean, and vigilant monitoring protects him from infection. Free from fear and worry, he romps with other cats and purrs like a harp in our arms. (He'd love to hug you the next time you visit.)

When you're a Tabby's Place cat, hardship is just the prelude to hope. Thank you for writing Hannah's love story through your support!



Hannah



Love has called Hannah's name at Tabby's Place

Has Hannah touched your heart? [Click here](#) to be one of his very first sponsors.

Finance Review: 2025

Jonathan Rosenberg, Founder & Executive Director

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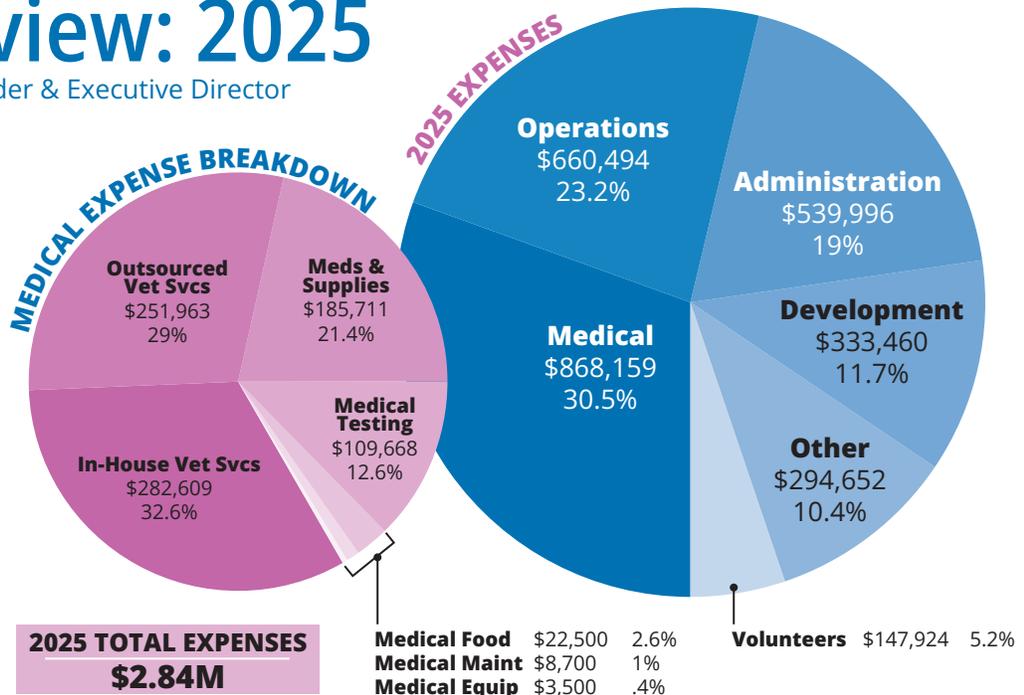
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Despite the dictionary definition of the word "incredible," there is no way to avoid the word as a summary of your generosity in 2025. So I'll say it ...

2025 was **INCREDIBLE** for the cats, thanks to you.

Income exceeded all expectations, as your generosity totaled just over \$5.5M (beating 2024 by nearly \$2.5M).

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This included an extraordinary bequest from two of the cats' most devoted champions.

For the last three years, medical costs have consumed the largest chunk

of our expenses at 30%, totalling \$868K in 2025. The dominance of medical costs is expected given our focus on the neediest cats and our practice of always doing whatever is in a cat's best interest.

But, although expenses increased by 11% from 2024, we underspent our 2025 expense projection by nearly \$200K, coming in at \$2.84M.

The net result is net income of \$2.7M, our most financially successful year to date. Following the financial success of 2024 (see in 2024

Newsletter), we can solidify our financial position by completing the funding of our Operating Reserve and Capital Expense Reserve funds (see newsletter referenced above).

The Future

The results of 2025 leave us in the position of knowing we can navigate even the most uncertain times without compromising our mission.

I look forward to the years ahead as we, with your generous help, save even more cats from "hopeless situations." You can expect to see some exciting announcements going forward.

Thank you for being here for Advanced Needs cats like Odessa



Happy Hearts: Cats Who Love Cats



From insulin to warm blankets, you help provide every act of love at Tabby's Place. But among the sweetest gifts you give our cats are ... *cats*.

Our valiant Valentines remind us that it is never too late for the best days of your life:

- Chester's skin condition was so severe, he barely looked like a cat. But to Mandarin, Chester was



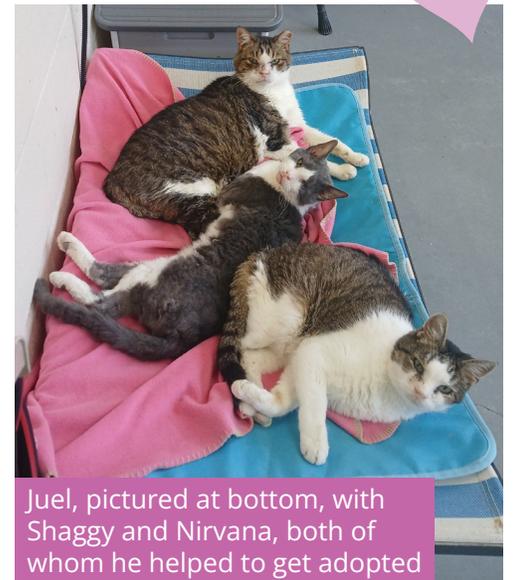
Chester & Mandarin



Tux & Gulliver

perfect. After scarcely surviving an inner-ear infection that left him with neurological needs, Chester's bestie knows what it's like to need extra tenderness. Today, our timid boys stick together like marmalade and toast.

- Many shy newcomers learn to trust by watching 22-year-old "Grandpa Tux." Tux has a special place in his heart for Gulliver, whose run-in with a car left him broken and tailless. As they purr in each other's arms, you can't tell where one tuxedo ends and the other begins.
- All of our cats are up for adoption ... but one is an "adopter" in his own right. In his four years at Tabby's Place, Juel has taken on countless "kittens." Juel has an eye for the awkward and anxious, and he makes it his mission to embrace cats who need a warm welcome.
- When it comes to "cats who love cats," Colonel Peabody has the highest rank. Actually, Peabody is in love with every living creature. Whether you are a teenage volunteer, the newest Lobby cat, or the UPS delivery person, paraplegic Peabody will scamper to your side



Juel, pictured at bottom, with Shaggy and Nirvana, both of whom he helped to get adopted

and snuggle you so giddily, you may walk on a cloud all day.

Take it from our cats: lonely roads may lead to deep friendships. **AT**



Peabody with one of his many besties, Tootsie

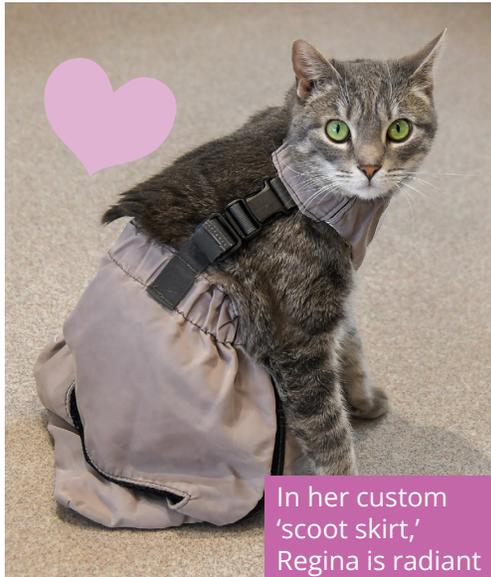
Hopeful Hearts: FeLV+ Cats Flourish

"Oh, I can't go in there ... it's just too sad."

People stop short at the door to Quinn's Corner, afraid their hearts will



Kitty Purry can't wait to meet you



In her custom 'scoot skirt,' Regina is radiant

break. They've heard that cats with feline leukemia virus (FeLV) lead tragic lives.

But our tour guides just grin. "Trust me," they coax the guests. "Come meet the cats."

And in a flash, fear gives way to awe ... and laughter.

Leave outside whatever you've heard about "FeLVies," and prepare to meet the meowing mythbusters of Tabby's Place.

There's Kitty Purry, the bouncing ballerina. She's never far from her brother Leonardo DiCatrío, a once-timid tuxedo who now woos you to rub his belly.

Or how about Regina, the glamour girl with eyes like crystal balls? Her future is as bright as the sun in her solarium. Born paraplegic, she glides in a custom made "scoot skirt" and delights in your touch.

By the time you meet Clifford, who smooshes himself into your lap like a purring potato, you'll almost forget there's anything different about these cats. If only they weren't "unadoptable."

Clifford's ears perk



Leonardo DiCatrío knows he is a superstar

up. What was that word? He's never heard that one at Tabby's Place. But he did hear that his FeLV+ neighbors Mr. Rogers, Toby, Jovi, Polka, and Sweet Pea were all adopted this winter.

Come to Quinn's Corner, and the most hopeful heart will be your own. **AT**



Clifford never heard the rumors that FeLV+ cats are 'frail'

Hesitant Hearts: Socializing Shy Cats

Carolyn Schultz, Behavior Team Lead

It takes an extra big heart to adopt a cat who needs some extra "paw holding." If you have a place in your family for a fearful cat, you can follow these tested tips to help them feel secure and loved:

- **Avoid expectations** on when they "should" come out of their shell. A key part of loving a cat is understanding that they each

follow a unique journey to feel secure in a new environment. Begin your new life together with no predetermined timelines for progress.

- Nestle your new family member in a "**welcome room**," which will be their

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With gentleness and time, timid cats like Miss Kitty learn to feel safe

initial sanctuary. This is important for every cat, but essential for fearful felines. By keeping them in a smaller space, such as an extra bedroom or office, you provide easy access to everything they need, while making it easier for you to work with them. Too much space, too fast, can lead to a hidden kitty or an accident outside of the litter pan.

- Commit to **consistency and patience**. Cats love routine, and you'll build trust by showing them they can count on you to visit, feed them, and clean their litter box on a

stable schedule.

- **Reward positive behavior**. If your kitty came out from their cubby after a couple days, offer them a special treat. If your cat is not quite ready to eat in front of you, you can leave treats for them outside of their hiding space. This will encourage them to come out and explore.

If you have a heart for shy cats, you have a precious place in our hearts at Tabby's Place! Not every kitty will

turn into a lap cat, but with patience and unconditional love, you can help a gentle soul feel at home with you.



Fearful kitties like Phoebe need patient hearts like yours

Huge Hearts: Erasing the Word "Unadoptable"

Have you ever found yourself smitten with a cat online? You gaze their soulful eyes, dreaming of making them yours ... only to read that they have medical needs. You feel your heart break. You couldn't handle a serious condition...

...or could you?

One of our greatest joys is coaching adopters to care for a cat with medical issues.

With an open heart and a bit of determination, you can join the awesome adopters who recently brought home...

- **Bello**, the super-sized snuggler. Our



Bello and CoraLee thrive in their forever home

lap cat lives with asthma, requiring daily inhaler therapy. He's breathing easy in the arms of his new family, who also adopted...

- **CoraLee**, a dainty senior. CoraLee lives with hyperthyroidism and is quite timid. But her new family was so smitten, they devoted themselves to learning how to care for her and earning her trust, and CoraLee thrives in their home.
- **Shaggy** loves all beings. As his friends kept getting adopted, Shaggy was overlooked due to age, rhinitis, and allergies. But now, this softhearted senior receives all the care he needs from his very own family.
- **Hips** rollicked like a rhinoceros through our Lobby for five years, adored by many but adopted by none. Injuries sustained in Beirut left him incontinent. But at last, Hips has found the arms that will hold him forever. A family with no experience caring for an incontinent cat fell in love with our Carrot in 2024 and trained diligently in mastering his care. A year later, they returned on



Shaggy has found the true love of his life

a mission. Since incontinent cats are rarely adopted, but Carrot's family now knew that caring for them is not difficult, they wanted to give another sweetheart a home. The rest is Hips-Hips-hooray history.

Could you be the next one to make an extraordinary cat the heart of your family? Contact our Adoptions Team today. **AT**



Hips' forever family was worth the wait

Helpful Hearts: Tabby's Place Cats Deliver Love

"What the world needs now is love, sweet love." – Jackie DeShannon

"Rev up the stroller. I'm on my way!" – Berry

What do you do when you've written such great love songs, you have



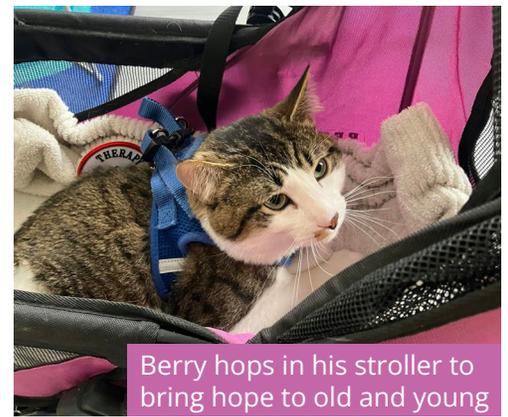
Trifecta is on a mission of comfort and hope

to share them with the world? If you're a rock star like Berry, you go on tour.

Since Berry is a Tabby's Place cat, he has too much love to keep to himself. Born with spina bifida and no fear, our rambunctious romantic hits the road to serenade the lonely and the little.

Berry is one of our certified therapy cats, who travel in cat strollers to nursing homes and libraries on a mission of comfort. Like a singing telegram, our cuddly cupid tells young and old that they are not forgotten.

And when Trifecta's stroller rolls into the room,



Berry hops in his stroller to bring hope to old and young

everyone remembers that hope can find you in hard times. Our FeLV+ and FIV+, diabetic boy visits cancer support groups, whose members he adores like family. The feeling is mutual: if given the choice of a visit from Trifecta or Brad Pitt, we know who would be in that stroller.

When you support Tabby's Place, you give "needy" cats the kind of hope that overflows. **AT**

Forever Loved: Pisa

Jonathan Rosenberg, Founder & Executive Director

I always admired Pisa ... from afar. I admired her for remaining true to herself. Born outdoors, she never surrendered her solitary nature. Necessity brought Pisa inside when she developed cancer in her pinna ("ear flaps"). The caretaker of Pisa's feral colony provided surgery to remove the pinna, only to discover Pisa was FeLV±. The aging calico was too fragile to continue living outdoors, which left her with few (i.e., zero) options.

Thanks to you, Tabby's Place was

able to welcome Pisa and promise her a life of safety and comfort.

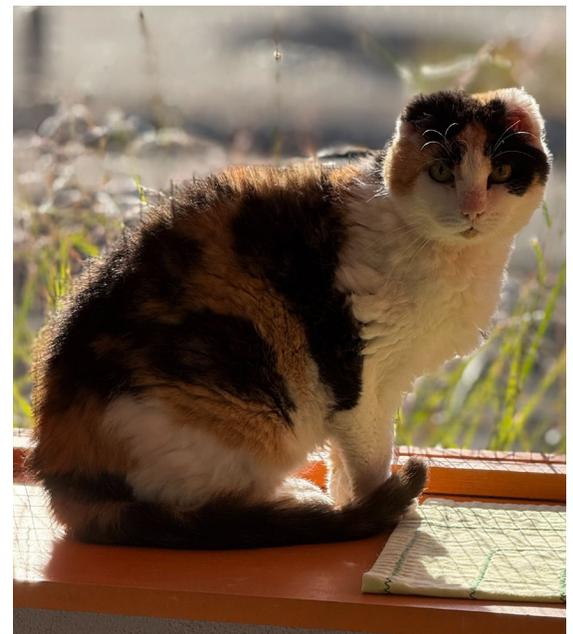
Everyone had a heart for the beautiful calico with "no ears," but Pisa didn't care for humans. She decided early that she would live exclusively in her outdoor solarium at Tabby's Place.

As fall approached, and temperatures dropped, she would move to one of the shelters in the solarium. When winter showed up, she would curl up in one of the heated enclosures.

As the weather warmed, she would migrate to a more exposed location.

My admiration for Pisa was tinged with sorrow, due to the cancer and her isolation. But she didn't share those feelings. She delighted in the fresh air, sunlight and food (lots of food).

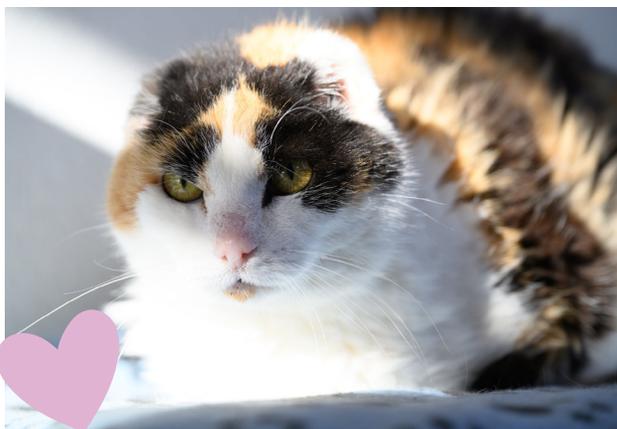
Eventually, her kidneys



started to fail. Our medical team tried valiantly to pull her back from the edge, but at last there was only one merciful decision left.

Pisa left this world peacefully. It was the only time we were able to hold her and smother her with kisses. She would not have approved.

I miss her every time I walk the hall in Quinn's Corner. RIP, baby girl. Save a place for me.



Heroic Hearts: Kim & Kathi Miller

Development Team, Lisa Lauria and Angela Townsend

Kathi and Kim Miller have been at the heart of our Tabby's Place family since nearly the very beginning, when a glimpse of our cats on television captured their hearts. But nothing could prepare them for the love they felt the first time they stepped into our lobby in 2014. As Olive greeted them, a deep connection took root. Kim and Kathi became devoted monthly sponsors on the spot.

"Over the years, as we became more familiar with the organization and in particular the staff, we knew we had found a very special place," Kathi notes. She and Kim marvel at Tabby's



Olive is proud to be Kathi and Kim's sponsoree and friend

"The love and care these cats receive is so powerful and moving, we wanted to ensure it would continue far into the future."

Place's tender focus on the individual needs of each cat.

Kathi and Kim also see the success of our mission anchored in human relationships. "We appreciate that you provide a safe sanctuary for your human community, who learn from and take comfort from feline companionship."

Kathi and Kim both credit their families with their lifelong calling to care for the vulnerable. They celebrate these bonds at Tabby's Place, with a memorial plaque to Kathi's mother and a beautiful tribute bench honoring their beloved cat Malach, who lived to age 20. Mally's bench is "a place we can sit and reflect on the happiness he brought to us, and the joy Tabby's Place brings to all of us every day."

Married in 2010, Kim and Kathi have been partners for over 23 years and have always sought how best to live a life of compassion.

Today, that devotion includes plans for a lasting legacy. Although Kathi and Kim wish they lived close enough to volunteer, they feel fortunate to be in a position to invest in the long-term future of Tabby's



Ti-Ti, Tux, and Goldie await their next treat



Kathi's Mom's beautiful legacy lives on at Tabby's Place

Place by leaving a bequest. As founding members of our Thomas Society, they encourage others to include our cats in their estate plans as generations have done.

And, of course, the Miller family includes three cherished cats. Sisters Goldie, Tuxie, and Tiny Tim ("Ti-Ti") were born outdoors and came inside "only when they said they were ready." Clearly these little ones chose wisely, as we can't imagine a more adoring family than Kathi and Kim.

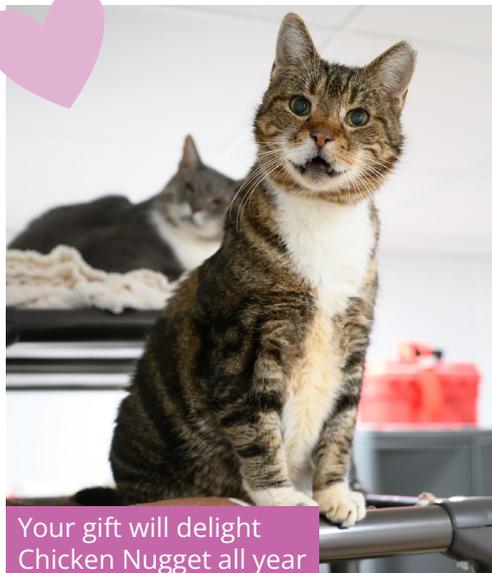
It is a blessing to have Kim and Kathi Miller at the heart of our family. You, too, can join the Thomas Society and make sure your personal mission of compassion helps cats thrive for generations to come. Click [here](#) or contact Lisa Lauria at 908-237-5300 ext. 602 or LL@tabbysplace.org to learn more.



Mally's memorial bench welcomes visitors



Healing Hearts: Sponsor Your Sweetheart



Your gift will delight Chicken Nugget all year

Rose petals droop. Chocolate melts. But a cat will thrive when you choose a feline Valentine.

Our Advanced Needs kitties are gazing up, counting on your kindness ... and, in gratitude, they'll send love letters to the person of your choice.

Your recurring donation will provide for a cat who needs extra tenderness, like diabetic Chicken Nugget or paraplegic Willow. We'll send you and your loved one monthly updates on your kitty, and you are welcome to visit them anytime.

Make this the year love saves the (Valentine's) Day. Just be prepared for thank-you cuddles from two species! **AT**

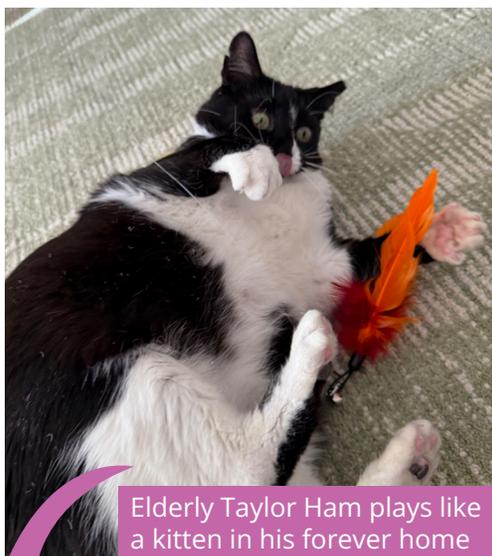


Wee Willow would love to be your Valentine

Happy Endings: Taylor Ham

John, Adopter

I was lucky enough to find Ham's picture online and was drawn to his stoic expression and big eyes. On my first visit to Tabby's Place, I found Ham eager for attention, but relaxed and assured enough to let me come to him. He began rolling over almost immediately for stomach pets, which is something I've never seen a cat do



Elderly Taylor Ham plays like a kitten in his forever home

before.

I've always felt for senior cats, who are often overlooked due to their age and health complications (in Ham's case, FIV and diabetes, which is in remission). I thought it would be a real gift to give a cat the best golden years possible. Ham had already had a hard life and deserves a blissful and relaxed retirement.

It took Ham a couple of days to warm up to his new place. But, as soon as he got the confidence to come out from under his hiding spot, he never looked back. He has made himself truly at home, lounging in bed and making a spot for himself on his favorite windowsill.

It's been a real pleasure to see Ham's personality emerge. He is incredibly receptive to people, always excited to greet newcomers, but is also a tenacious toy enjoyer, chasing and batting at his favorite feather brush like



We are deeply grateful to John for giving this sweet senior the love of a lifetime

a kitten.

Although Ham has a youthful spirit, it's delightful to have the company of an old man cat with all his little quirks, like a deep vibrato purr, big stomach he likes to roll around with, and toothless gum smacks. I think with age also comes Ham's gentle comfort as a companion. He likes to always be in my vicinity, even if it's just somewhere for him to keep napping.

We are over the moon with gratitude to John for opening his heart and home to Taylor Ham!

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