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The Linda Fund

Your time is here, Tabby's Place family.

The Linda Fund Matching Challenge is **your** moment to save cats in hopeless situations. You can provide emergency care for the lost and the lonely, who will not make it without you. **And your donation will be doubled*.**

When a cat is desperately sick, there is no time to fundraise. But if you give to the Linda Fund, we can be ready for each trembling little face the moment they arrive at our doorstep.

We hope the cats in these pages inspire you. *Without you, none of them would be here.*

This is your hour to shine. Thank you, Tabby's Place family!

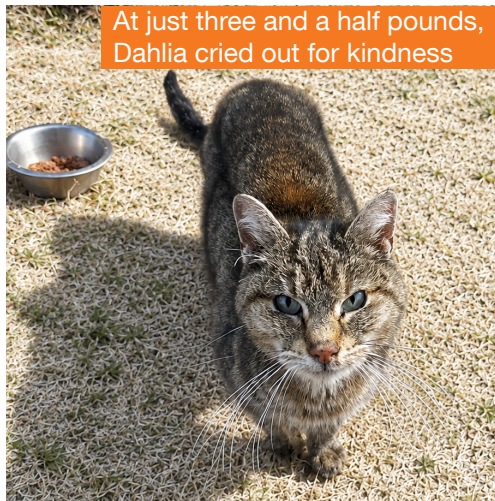
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New Beginnings: Dahlia

In a hopeless season, love still blooms.

Stumbling through dry leaves, Dahlia was almost invisible. Beneath her cinnamon stripes, her bones were as stark as bare branches. A harsh winter had whittled her down to 3 pounds. Famished and anemic, she was fading fast.



At just three and a half pounds, Dahlia cried out for kindness

But as her body grew weary, she still believed in love.

And if you've ever supported the Linda Fund, you were about to spring into Dahlia's winter.

Dahlia staggered up to a stranger, mustering her strength to meow for help. She had found a flower farmer with a heart of sunshine. He rushed her into the barn where he kept his dahlia bulbs safe over the winter.

Dahlia was in critical condition, but the farmer would not let her fade away. He had heard of a haven where hopeless cats can live again.

And thanks to you, it was not too late for Dahlia.

Your Linda Fund gifts rushed Dahlia to an emergency hospital for intensive care. A world-class team provided blood transfusions and heat support. The days ahead were delicate, but your love was

strong.

And today, Dahlia is in full bloom.

Please give, so **your donation will be doubled.** The next Dahlia is out there, believing in love against all odds.



Today, Dahlia is blooming with health and hope

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Linda Fund Expenses

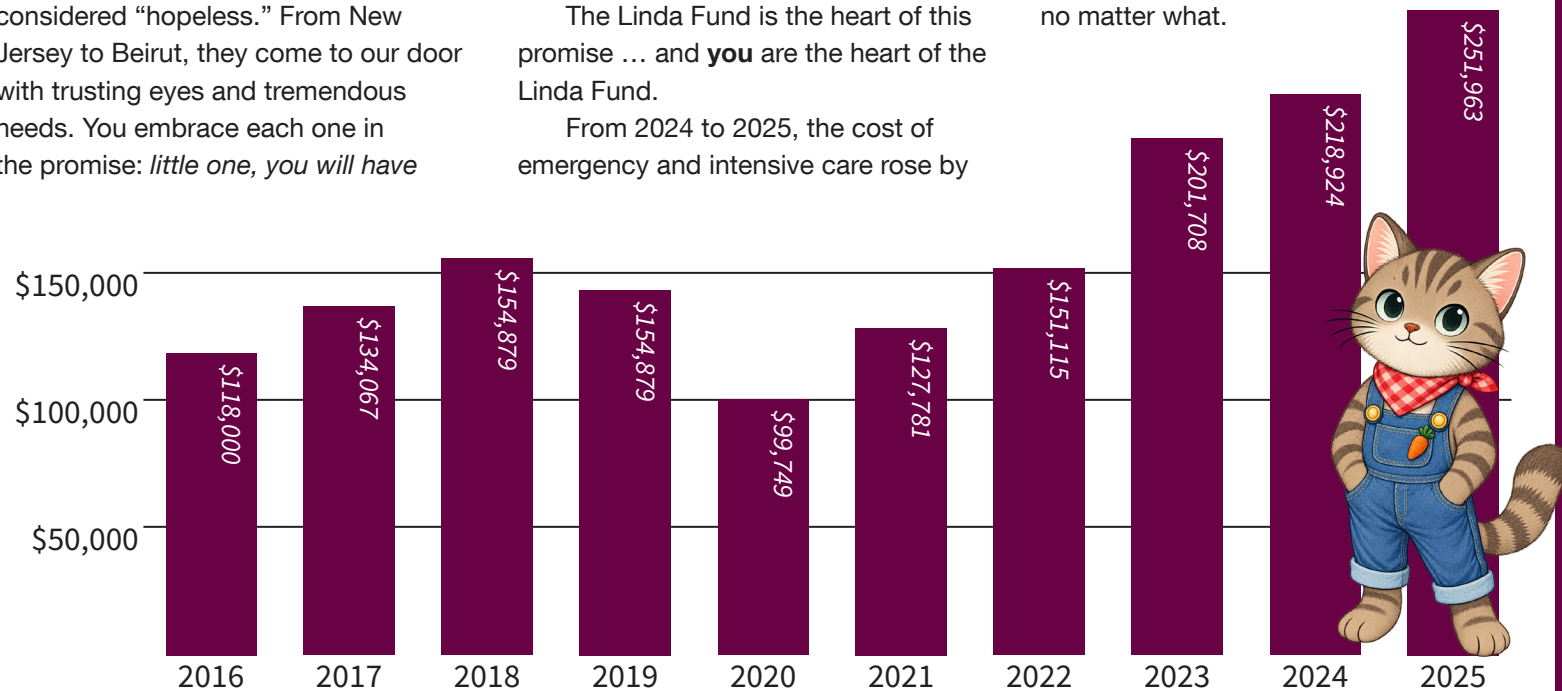
You've made Tabby's Place the world's beloved haven for cats considered "hopeless." From New Jersey to Beirut, they come to our door with trusting eyes and tremendous needs. You embrace each one in the promise: *little one, you will have*

everything you need to thrive ... no matter what.

The Linda Fund is the heart of this promise ... and **you** are the heart of the Linda Fund.

From 2024 to 2025, the cost of emergency and intensive care rose by

15%. But with your help, we can be here for the cats with nowhere else to turn ... no matter what.

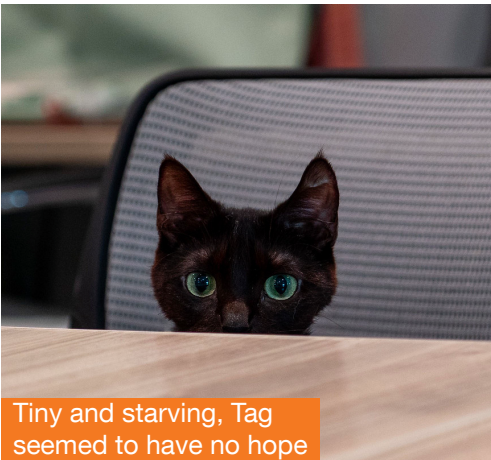


Linda Fund Legend: Tag

Imagine burning with hunger, searching all day for a crumb. At last, you find a miraculous morsel ... only to realize you can't eat it.

Such was the plight of tiny Tag.

Tag's jaw was frozen shut from an injury, and the door of hope seemed locked. But the "tag" on her tale was about to turn from "bleak" to "beloved." The brave little stray would not be left to languish.



Tiny and starving, Tag seemed to have no hope

She was coming to Tabby's Place!

As kind hands caressed her, she broke free from the label of "hopeless." Through your generosity, our team fed Tag life-saving calories and constant comfort.

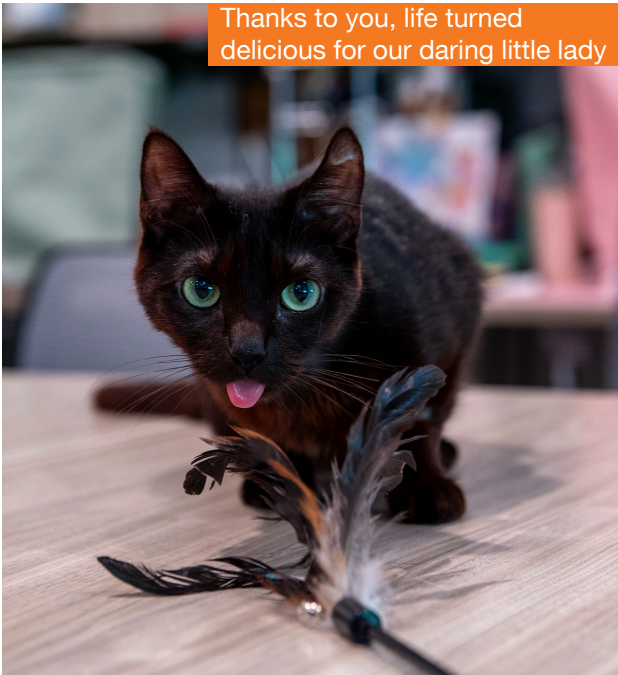
But Tag's joy would be short-lived without a daring and delicate surgical procedure.

At Tabby's Place, we believe a stray deserves the same chance as a cherished family pet. And since you're in our Tabby's Place family, Tag did not face her fears alone.

Your Linda Fund donations rallied around Tag. You were there in the operating room, saving the tiny cat whose big dream was just to live. And thanks to you, Tag's surgery was a success.

Today, Tag glistens like a

plump blackberry. Every meal tastes like a miracle. If you're as inspired as we are by this brave lady, please donate to the Linda Fund. Your gift will "tag" the next terrified cat as worthy...beloved...yours.



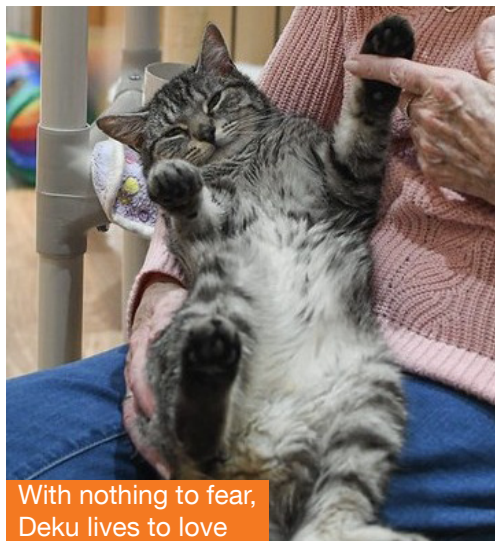
Thanks to you, life turned delicious for our daring little lady

Linda Fund Legend: Deku

When there's no one to hold onto, your world is a shaky place.

Deku was born wobbly. The little fudge-striped stray toddled into corners or froze in the middle of the road. With no one to keep him safe, he careened in and out of trouble.

But Deku was never discouraged.



With nothing to fear, Deku lives to love

He beamed at every face, like an orphan hoping *this* might be the person to pick him up when he fell.

A shelter took pity on Deku but could not handle his delicate needs. They knew only one place where cats like Deku are safe on love's solid ground.

Thanks to you, that place is Tabby's Place.

Your Linda Fund donation carried Deku to a world-class neurologist, who diagnosed him with a rare disorder called *Paroxysmal Kinesigenic Dyskinesia*. Our boy would always be prone to spasmic movements and episodes of "buffering."

But Deku's prognosis is good, and his life today is as cheerful as a pinwheel. He has never met a person who was not his instant favorite, and he spends most of his day cradled in volunteers' loving arms.

Someday soon, the next Deku will wobble up to our door. You can be the

safety he has never known. Please give today. Every innocent cat deserves to be someone's baby.



Your Linda Fund gifts brought Deku from desperation to pure joy

Linda Fund Legend: Chester

If "hopeless" had a face, it would be the cat as craggy as cobblestones. Suffering from an autoimmune disease called *exfoliative dermatitis*, Chester slunk along the edges of society. The bald stray was under attack from his own body, leaving him gnarled and bloody.

But beneath his stony skin was a soft heart.



Chester knew comfort and sweetness because of you

Chester longed to be petted and kissed, and to savor simple meals without fear. He yearned to feel sunlight without pain. He ached for friends who would not recoil in horror at his face.

And thanks to you, Chester found love that was more than skin-deep.

We assembled a team to research Chester's condition and create a treatment plan. Our staff tended to his needs, from soothing baths to steadfast love.

Cats, too, joined Chester's support system. Roommates like Sage seemed blind to Chester's "differences," nuzzling his hairless head as though he were the handsomest cat in the land.

Which, of course, he was.

After the rest of the world gave up on him, Chester went on to live a year of bliss and comfort

at Tabby's Place. We were heartbroken to lose him to liver disease earlier this month, but he knew he was adored, just the way he was.

If our brave boy has touched your heart, please give as generously as you can in his memory. The next Chester needs you.



Thank you for seeing the beauty in Chester's bravery



Top Feline Emergencies

Dr. Amanda Miller, Veterinarian

Your Linda Fund donation is a promise that cats will not face crises alone. In this article, we come beside you and *your* cat to help you identify emergencies.

If your cat shows any of the following symptoms, take them to the emergency vet immediately:

1. Inability to urinate: If your cat is in and out of the litter box, straining without producing urine, crying in the box, and/or licking their genital area, this may indicate a blockage of the urinary tract (urethral obstruction). Most common in male cats, this can become fatal within 24-48 hours as toxins build up in the bloodstream.

2. Difficulty breathing: Watch for open-mouth breathing, panting without exertion, stretching the neck with elbows pulled away from the body, rapid breathing while at rest, or pale

gums. This may indicate heart failure, severe asthma, trauma, or air around the lungs. Keep your cat as calm as possible, as stress makes it harder to breathe.

3. Hind leg paralysis: If your cat suddenly can't use one or both back legs, this suggests a blood clot called a *saddle thrombus*. Intensely painful and often fatal, this may also cause extreme vocalization, cold, pale hind paws, and dragging of the hind end. It is often a complication of severe, undetected heart disease.

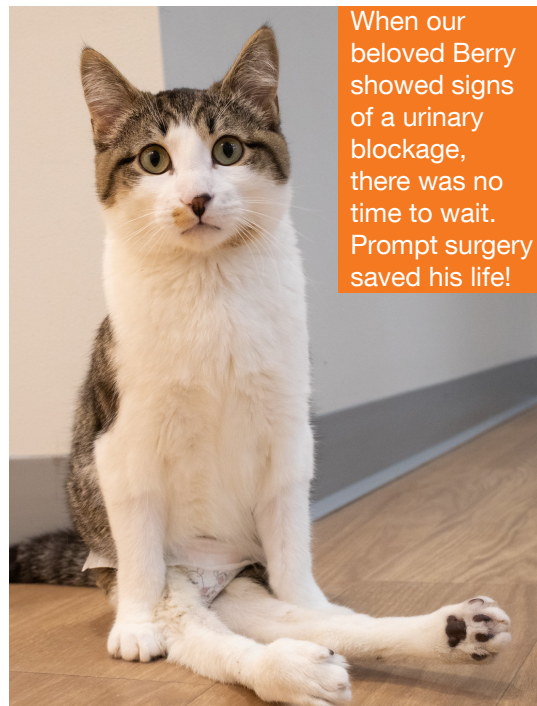
4. Toxin exposure: If your cat has been exposed to antifreeze, human pain relievers, dog flea/tick preventatives, or any part of a lily plant (even water from the vase), or if they suddenly begin drooling, vomiting, twitching, or having seizures, every minute counts to save their life.

5. Trauma: Never underestimate how severely a cat may be injured by a fall, animal attack (such as a dog bite), or hit-by-car incident, even if they are acting "fine." Cats hide their pain, and internal injuries may become fatal before you detect them.

6. Prolonged or repeated seizures: While a single, short seizure warrants a vet visit, any seizure lasting longer than five minutes, or multiple seizures within 24 hours, can cause brain damage or fatal hyperthermia.



Thanks to immediate medical attention, Morgan survived a saddle thrombus and went on to live a long and happy life



When our beloved Berry showed signs of a urinary blockage, there was no time to wait. Prompt surgery saved his life!

Watch for twitching or paddling of the limbs, foaming at the mouth, or loss of bladder/bowel control.

7. Sudden blindness: This can be caused by a massive spike in blood pressure (often related to underlying kidney disease or hyperthyroidism). Prompt treatment can save your cat's vision and decrease damage to their organs. In an emergency, your knowledge is life-saving power.



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Linda Fund Legend: Graham

Brave Graham was nearly extinguished. His eyes once sparkled with a lively fire, but sickness now smothered him. By the time we met him, he was down to his final embers.

But just before Graham's light went out for good, you lit a candle.

Your Linda Fund gift raced Graham to the hospital for intensive care.

The specialists confirmed our fear. Graham smoldered with *parvovirus*, one

of the most virulent, often fatal infections a cat can suffer. His only hope was heroic treatment, as well as a meticulous protocol to protect both Graham and our other cats.

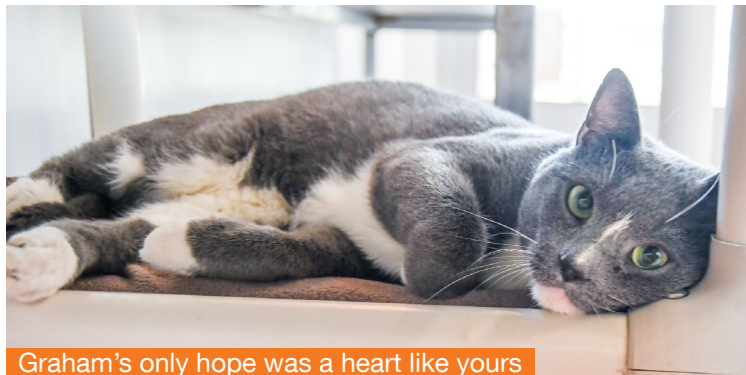
As we gazed into his sunken, sorrowful eyes, we saw the kitten he once was, joyous and innocent ... and the cat he yearned to become, secure and adored.

And since you gave to the Linda Fund, no one gave up on Graham.

Today, your love is his guiding light. Graham has gotten over his crisis ... but he will never get over the wonder of being alive.

Will you give

today, so a fading cat can sparkle back to life? We do not know the hour of his arrival, but we can be ready. **Together.**



Graham's only hope was a heart like yours



Please comfort the next frightened Graham with your gift of love

Linda Fund Legend: Starfish

A legend tells of a child on the seashore, throwing starfish back into the ocean. An old man walked by and scoffed, "you'll never save them all. Why bother?" Without a pause, the child sent another starfish soaring into the sea: "Because it mattered for *that one.*"

As we save one cat at a time, Tabby's Place embraces the mission of "saving

starfish."

And one cold day in May, the one who mattered was a tiny girl named Starfish.

Scooting across the street, Starfish could not drag herself to safety. A catastrophic injury left the little toffee stray paraplegic. She persevered in her lonely effort, with no refuge in sight.

Though she was little more than a kitten, Starfish was pregnant with two babies who had sadly already passed away. Her tiny body churned with sepsis, and Starfish did not have much time.

But the tide was about to turn, because you believe that "one little cat" matters.

Your Linda Fund donation rushed her to a specialty hospital, where surgery saved her life. Even in deep pain, Starfish purred with all her strength when snuggled.

She knew *she mattered.*



In the darkest hour, you were Starfish's light

Today, Starfish soars as the sweetheart of our Lobby. Surrounded by other healthy paraplegic cats, she may be "one little cat" ... but one is never a lonely number at Tabby's Place.

You can save the next Starfish, right when she needs you. Please promise her she matters to you.



Please promise the next Starfish that she matters to you

A Plan for Love

When Dahlia needed Tabby's Place, **you** had already paved her path to hope. You helped prepare for her rescue with your past support of the Linda Fund. Thanks to advance planning, we were ready for her ... together.

Planning ahead is a powerful form of love in your own life, too. By making an estate plan, you ensure you'll be here for the people and pets 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 and name a guardian for your beloved pets.

If you are so moved, you may choose to include Tabby's Place in your estate. Planned gifts are among the most significant donations we receive, and your bequest will welcome many "hopeless" cats, like Dahlia, into the arms of love.

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



Take it from Dahlia - a loving plan saves lives

Linda Fund Legend: Ringoes

Ringoes, New Jersey may not have a nightlife or even a grocery store. Yet Tabby's Place's sleepy town is just the right size to save you when you're feeling small.

At 6 months old, a healthy kitten should weigh 5-8 pounds. But Ringoes the tabby was lighter than a honeydew, and her brief life had been bitter. Though she was the equivalent of a fourth-grade child, the tiny stray was pregnant and

desperately ill.

But it's hard to stay invisible in Tabby's Place's hometown.

And thanks to you, love was in the neighborhood.

You helped to rush Ringoes to a state-of-the-art specialty hospital several towns away ... and you were not a moment too soon. Ringoes had already lost her kitten to a septic pregnancy. Her only hope was a daring surgery by a

gifted specialist.

Against immense odds, our little ringlet prevailed. Weeks of intensive care restored the light in her eyes. On the big day Ringoes returned to Ringoes, Tabby's Place cheered as wildly as a city that had just won the World Series.

Today, the dying kitten has turned into the smiling kitten. There's

a childlike curl on Ringoes' face, and a small-town sweetness as she snuggles in your arms. It is not too late for Ringoes to have the carefree kittenhood she deserves ... because your love was right on time.

Whether you live down the road or across the Atlantic, you can be the neighbor who saves the next Ringoes. Please donate as generously as you can.



Tiny Ringoes arrived barely able to lift her head



But today, our thriving girl is all smiles

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Honoring Your Legend

As you read about these “Linda Fund Legends,” you may find yourself thinking of the most legendary cat of all...*yours*.

If you see your own cat in any of these sweet faces, you can honor them



The Memorial Walkway leads to Cherny's Garden, where your cat will be remembered among all the Tabby's Place cats who have gone before

in an unforgettable way.

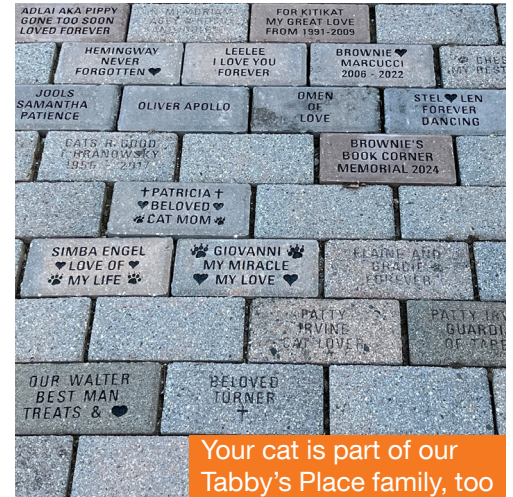
For your Linda Fund gift of \$250 or more, you can engrave a Memorial Brick, so your cat's name will be nestled among the Tabby's Place cats.

Every day, cats **you** saved will gaze out on your kitty's brick from their sunrooms, thriving because of your love.

And, there are many ways to make your life-saving gift:

- Online via credit or debit card or PayPal
- Through a donor-advised fund (DAF)
- As a disbursement from your IRA
- In a gift of stock
- By mailing a check to Tabby's Place, 1100 US Highway 202, Ringoes, NJ 08551.

Your donation will be doubled ... and your beloved legend will live on forever at Tabby's Place.



Your cat is part of our Tabby's Place family, too

Happy Endings: Ducky

A Guest Article by Adopter Maddison Lokey

I've had a soft spot for senior cats for as long as I can remember, so scrolling through the Tabby's Place website is a favorite pastime of mine. When I stumbled upon Ducky's photo, I instantly fell in love.

Since Ducky is 18 years old, I wasn't sure how she would feel about my 4 younger cats. But, they seemed to fall in love with each other right away. Ducky isn't fazed by their youngster shenanigans and even does her best to join in on playtime every now and then!

My younger cats have leaned into Ducky's love of naps. They now enjoy quiet time curled up on the couch in the sun with their favorite old lady.

Ducky's favorite things

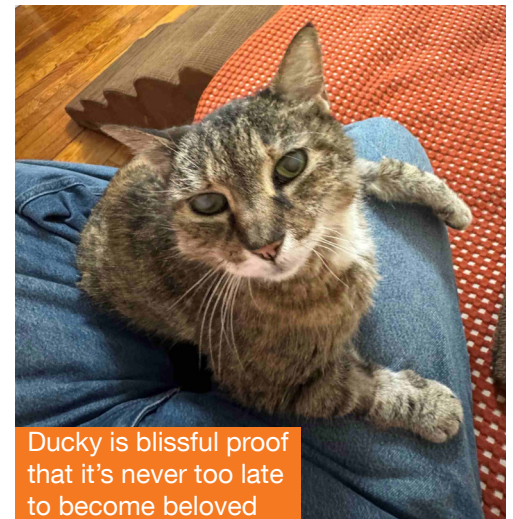
are treats, being brushed, and sitting in anyone and everyone's lap. She's doing a great job of teaching me to slow down and rest more often.

Ducky has a few health conditions that we're working to manage, so she's a frequent visitor at the vet office (where she has become a favorite patient). Despite her senior citizen status and everything she's been through with her first person passing away, Ducky is amazingly resilient and the most affectionate kitty ever. She just amazes me!

Not a day goes by when I'm not immensely grateful



At eighteen, Ducky is adopted and adored, thanks to you



Ducky is blissful proof that it's never too late to become beloved

that Ducky and I found each other. I will cherish her for as much time as we are blessed to have together!

The Linda Fund provided specialty care for Ducky's painful arthritis, preparing her for her new home with Maddy. Your donation will nurture the next dear Ducky... and promise her it's never too late to fall back in love with life.



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