

Trap-Neuter-Return

FREE Program for Outdoor Stray Cats



Trap

Outdoor, stray cats are humanely trapped or captured.



Neuter

Cats are transported to the vet to receive a health check and then will be spayed or neutered and have their ear tipped.



Return

After vaccinations, flea treatments and recovery time, the cats are returned to their outdoor homes.



Why TNR?

Attempts to remove cats from an area always fail because of a natural and scientifically-documented phenomenon known as the *vacuum effect*. Whenever cats are removed, new cats move in, or the surviving cats left behind breed to capacity. TNR is supported by organizations like the Humane Society of the United States, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA), and the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA). When TNR is used as part of an overall shelter reform, communities like Sterling Heights report a decline in shelter intake.

Trap Neuter Return (TNR) Procedure

1. Contact **Animal Control** at 586-446-2879 with your first and last name, home address, phone number, and address where you will be trapping if not at your residence. You will be issued 5 Vouchers at a time.
2. Animal Control Officers will fill out vouchers and TNR slips with corresponding voucher numbers and they will be mailed to your address.
3. Contact **All About Animals** for a live trap rental if you do not own or have access to a live trap. Check with All About Animals for days times for trapping TNRs. **All About Animals 586-879-1745**.
4. Trap on the days specified by All About Animals, then bring cats and vouchers and TNR Slips to All About Animals 23451 Pinewood St. Warren, MI 48091 (Nine Mile /Mound area).
5. Pickup Cats from All About Animals at the day/time specified by All About Animals.
6. Release the cats where they were found.
7. Continue steps 4-6 until all vouchers are used.
8. If more vouchers are needed please contact our office, (see Step 1).



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