



# 1 Year Anniversary



*This Kitten has been spayed and returned to her colony*

July 1<sup>st</sup> marks the one year anniversary of the Feral Feline Program officially becoming part of Calaveras Humane Society! As of May 31<sup>st</sup> this year, this Team has stabilized over 80 feral cat colonies and altered 642 cats! Not only have they given much needed relief to the people caring for the colonies and greatly improved the quality of life for the cats, they have prevented thousands of kittens being born.

This team is working hard to contribute to our community, not only by altering feral cats, but by educating people about the importance of spaying and neutering both feral and pet cats.

Key to the success of our program has been enlisting the help of people who are caring for feral cat colonies. We have an ever expanding army of helpers. "caregivers" who we teach the trapping basics, and then who actually do the trapping, transporting to vets, and post-surgery care themselves. This is a community effort, and a perfect way for people to participate, see for themselves how effective Trap Neuter and Return is, and then spread the word!