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**Snicker Wants to Hear from YOU!**



BCR President Snicker is doing some research and he needs your input!

He wants to know how you watch him and the other BCR cats online. "Fur" instance:

- How do you watch the cats?
- How long do you tend to watch?
- What would make watching the cats better for you?

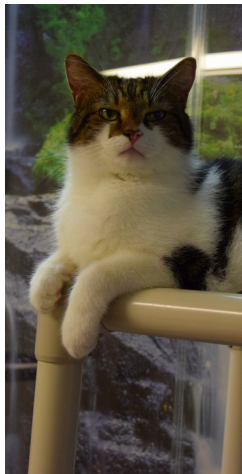
To help Snicker get the information he's looking for, we've created a [quick and easy survey](#) about how you most like to see the cats online and what viewing tools you like best.

Please take a minute and take the survey - a few clicks and you'll be done and Snicker will be so happy!

[Click here and take our survey!](#)



As we continue to celebrate our senior kitties this month, we want to share a some ideas on how to make your cat's golden years as enjoyable as possible for them.



Did you know that all cat trees and climbers are not created equal?  
[CLICK HERE](#) to find out what cat tree is right for your senior cat!



Ever wonder why kitties of ALL ages love those cardboard boxes?  
Did you know they help cats heal? [CLICK HERE](#) to find out more!

Is your senior kitty suddenly missing the litter box?  
Could be something important that your vet needs to know.

# What your cat wants you to know about going outside the box



**I don't feel well**  
it's time for a vet visit to be sure I'm not sick



**The box isn't as clean as I like**  
clean it more often & replace old boxes



**I need more boxes**  
make sure there is one box per cat plus an extra, & spread them apart in the house



**I don't like the box location**  
get me out of high traffic areas but don't corner me



**My box doesn't fit**  
I want a bigger box at least 1.5 times my body length without a hood over it



**I don't like this kind of litter**  
Can we try unscented, clumping this time?

**CATS HERD YOU**



### **Birthday Fundraisers - We thank You!!!**

Want to know just how important your birthday fundraisers are to the BCR cats?

**VERY!** Our cats come in with all sorts of problems - they need to be spayed or neutered, their eyes need to be taken care of, they have serious URI's, and even, in Uncle Fester's case, have buckshot metal in his skin. Some require immediate dental procedures to relieve pain and make it possible for them to eat again. Most need lots of medications. As time goes on and they age, their health and what they need changes, too.

Think about Hermes.



Despite being in pretty good health, Hermes is the victim of bad genes. In recent weeks, he started limping and seemed to be in pain when he walked. He was showing the signs of [patellar \(kneecap\) luxation](#), when the kneecap moves out of position, causing an unusual "skipping" motion of the affected leg when a cat walks or runs, and difficulty in jumping - all very tough for a cat. It can cause the cat to hold the lower part of his leg out to the side when the kneecap is out of place.

Poor Hermes was experiencing all of the above with significant pain and limping. So, he recently had surgery to repair his knees so he can get back to being the sweet playful guy we know he is. That surgery was nearly \$5,000 - a large medical bill that several birthday fundraisers will help pay for! We'll do what it takes for any of our cats no matter their age or how long they've been with us.



The same goes for our newest arrivals. We accept BCR cats in whatever state they're in when they get here and part of our lifetime commitment to them is to help them be as healthy as possible. Little Valencia had a bad URI and damaged eyes when she arrived. She needed immediate medications, shots, surgery on her eyes and to be spayed. Just to give her a healthy start on her life was almost \$700. Remember when sweet Misty came, her eyes were in a terrible condition. Her treatments and surgery were close to \$800. Right now, sweet Ophelia who's been with us since August, is fighting a virus with lots of medicines and needs a feeding tube. Those costs will continue to add up, too.

With more than 100 cats here who range in age from kitten to nearly 20 years old, medical needs can really add up to some significant costs. That's where your birthday fundraisers come in: You help make a healthy forever possible for the cats! We and the cats cannot thank you enough!



Now that you know how important they are to BCR, if you'd like to have your own Facebook birthday fundraiser this year for BCR, just [CLICK HERE](#). It's very easy and you can personalize it as much as you want to.

**THANK YOU!**



**More Kitties to Love -  
Meet our Newest Arrivals**



Sweet **Creamsicle** is a local kitty who ended up at animal control as a leukemia positive cat. Despite that dire situation and having no idea how he got to animal control, we were able to step in and save him. He is one sweet cat who needs sponsors! Look at his beautiful orange eyes!

[CLICK HERE](#) to sponsor Creamsicle.

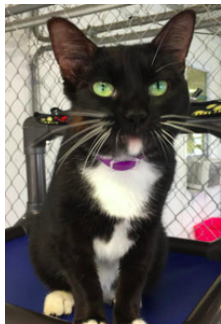


Senior girl **Dixie** is a blind kitty who also ended up at animal control on the “to be destroyed” list with those two strikes against her. Some very caring volunteers didn’t want that for Dixie and reached out to us and we were able to accept her. As soon as we got her to our vet it was clear why she lost her sight - her blood pressure was over 300! Her liver test numbers were very bad probably because she had starving on the street for quite some time. With us, Dixie is getting medications for her conditions, is eating very well and is so happy to have a safe, warm soft bed and people to love her.

[CLICK HERE](#) to sponsor Dixie.



**Maggie** is an leukemia-positive kitty who has bounced around so many times it's no wonder she is a little unsure about people. After being a stray, she was rescued and had a home. When the owner couldn't keep her any more she went back injured to the person who rescued her from the streets. She also tested positive for leukemia. The rescuer's family had cats and couldn't add a leukemia positive kitty into the house. With time running out, the rescuer's wonderful daughter insisted that Maggie not be euthanized and that she'd find her a home. And she did, by getting in touch with us. Maggie is still cautious with humans but we hope she'll soon see how wonderful her new life is! [CLICK HERE](#) to sponsor Maggie.



**Ophelia Sponsor Alert!**

How can this be? Sweet Ophelia has only two sponsors! She is one sweet and beautiful girl who is always happy to get love and pets. Does she speak to you? Then, [CLICK HERE](#) to sponsor Ophelia!

## Blind Cat Rescue: The Cats Ask: Can You See Us?

to Camille, Cookie, Harry, Mary Ann, Parker and Phillip, who have joined their fellow BCR kitties over the Rainbow Bridge. One of the hardest things about being a loving home for and family to so many cats is when we have to say goodbye. Sometimes, despite all our efforts to restore their health, illness takes over and they cross the Rainbow Bridge.

It never gets easier to let them go and we do everything possible for them until they tell us that it's time. While we miss them, we'll always be thankful that we had time with them at BCR and we'll remember them with love. Our new arrivals honor their memories and their presence here.



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### **Sterling and Scotty want your help!**

These two sturdy boys - along with the other BCR cats -  
go through lots of supplies every day and we need your help to restock their pantry!

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to see the things we need most!



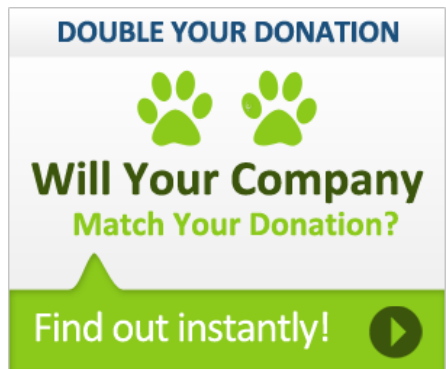
There are lots easy of ways  
to help the kitties all year long!

Please pick the Blind,  
FIV & FELV+ cats  
as your CFC Charity



CFC Charity #67324

While the CFC is for federal employees (**our federal CFC number is #67324**), State of North Carolina employees can participate, too! The NC State Combined State Campaign will be available to state, county, municipal and university employees. Watch for the NC CSC kick off and then select BCR as one of your charities - **our number is #3859**. If you don't see us there, please [email us](#).



Matching gifts are a great way to [double your BCR donation!](#)



Have a birthday coming up? Tell your friends to skip the sweater and instead donate to [your BCR birthday fundraiser!](#) It's easy and is a huge help to the cats.



When you shop online, please [use Amazon Smile](#) and pick Blind Cat Rescue as your charity. With every purchase, their foundation donates to BCR. There is no charge to you!

Direct link: <https://goo.gl/4DJHX2>



Have an old car, truck, van, SUV, boat, motorcycle, ATV, RV, trailer or even



an airplane? Donate it BCR! [Find out how to do it here.](#)

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**Mark your calendars for our next open house:**

**Saturday, March 16,**

**noon - 4 p.m.!**

The cats hope to see you here!





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