Career Cat Program Volunteer

Marin Humane is working in partnership with Marin Friends of Ferals (MFF) to expand the MFF Career Cat program. This program provides an adoption opportunity for outdoor, under-socialized cats that are not able to be adopted as typical pets. They are generally shy, stray, feral or semi-feral cats that prefer little to no human contact, making them unsuitable as indoor pets. Adopters of “career cats” commit to providing daily food, water and adequate protection against the elements and predators for the cats’ lifetime.

Become involved in this program and begin making a difference in the lives of many of our less fortunate felines throughout our community. No previous cat experience necessary. Volunteers in this program report to the Marin Humane Alternative Placement Specialist.

Volunteer opportunities in this program include:

- **Relocation volunteers** – assist in transporting tables, cages, and other equipment needed for the 3-week holding period prior to a cat’s release into a new location.
  - Time commitment – once a month; involves driving to the new location (usually in either Marin or Sonoma County), spending about 90 minutes setting up (or 30 minutes if you are breaking down the relocation); rain or shine
  - Physical work – requires ability to lift up to 40 pounds; lots of lifting and carrying of equipment (cages, litter boxes, food, covers, etc.)
  - Transportation to Marin Humane or designated location to meet MFF staff person.

- **Spay/Neuter Transport volunteers** – assist with transport of career cats going to a veterinary clinic in Marin, Sonoma or San Francisco counties for spay or neuter. Volunteers may choose to both drop off and pick up the same day or opt for just one leg of the transportation.
  - Time commitment – once a month; pick up cat (already in a transfer cage) at Marin Humane, drive to a designated veterinary hospital to deliver cat between 8-9am (depending on the hospital). Or, pick up and return cat to Marin Humane between 3-6pm the same day.
  - Physical requirement – ability to lift and carry up to 15 pounds is helpful but not required