



Winter 2026

Welcome to HART!

Welcome to the winter edition of the Harrisburg Animal Rescue Team (HART) newsletter. HART is a non-profit, 501(c)3 organization. Our mission is to rescue, provide medical care for, and find loving homes for cats and kittens in the greater Harrisburg area.

HART is made up of a group of hard-working and dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly to provide care for the cats and kittens within the organization. We are always seeking more volunteers to help with fostering, fundraising, planning events, etc. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering, please contact Virjean Dauksha at vsdauksha@gmail.com.



March 1, 2026 to March 31, 2026 - Luck of the Paw Raffle

May 9, 2026 – 17th Annual Spring Flower and Bake Sale 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The sale will be held at 3407 N. Second Street, Harrisburg, PA

September 12, 2026 – Fall Mum and Bake Sale 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

The sale will be held at 3407 N. Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110

October 17, 2026 – Catoberfest 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

This event will be held at Colonial Park UCC at 5000 Devonshire Road, Harrisburg, PA

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STEELTON COMMUNITY CATS & HART BINGO RECAP



On Sunday, October 26, 2025, volunteers from Steelton Community Cats and HART joined forces to host a Bingo Fundraiser to benefit both organizations. People poured into the Progress Fire Hall and enjoyed some great food and fellowship while waiting for Bingo to begin. Approximately thirty raffle baskets were donated, and 50/50 tickets were available for purchase. It was a sold-out crowd. Overall, we raised \$11,416.25 that was split between both organizations. A special thank you to everyone who sponsored, supported, and attended the event!



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Adoptable Cats



Meet Panda:

Panda is a retired mom who loves to survey her kingdom from a high vantage point. She prances like a supermodel, strutting in her stunning, medium-black fur coat. Her fluffy tail punctuates her classic good looks. She's not only beautiful but friendly; she rolls and leans into an offered hand, so she can get the best petting angles.

Meet Capt. Jack Sparrow:

Captain Jack Sparrow aka Jack is a playful male who would love a quiet cabin with a human crewmate who will give him time to get his sea legs. You will be rewarded with a pirate's bounty of snuggles and purrs. He also would love a young kitty first mate.



Meet Aphrodite:



Sweet Aphrodite is looking for a home where she can explore, climb and play — and snuggle, when and in the method she chooses. She adores wand toys, chasing her own tail in a (dry) bathtub, and wrestling. She also likes to play video games on her foster mom's tablet. She needs a young feline friend in her home as a playmate.

To see more of our adoptable cats and kittens, please look us up on Petfinder using the QR Code to the right.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Luck of the Paw Raffle:

HART will be having a Luck of the Paw Raffle from March 1, 2026, through March 31, 2026. Each ticket purchased will give you thirty-one opportunities to win a prize. There will be a different prize raffled each day during the month of March 2026. Drawings will be held daily live on HART's Facebook page. Winners will be contacted directly. Raffle tickets can be purchased online or at any upcoming HART event. The cost of the raffle tickets are \$20.00 per ticket or 3 raffle tickets for \$50.00. If you are interested in purchasing tickets and/or donating a prize to contribute to the raffle, please contact Kimmy Dauksha at kdauksha@yahoo.com.

17th Annual Spring Flower and Bake Sale – Saturday, May 9, 2026:



HART will be holding its annual Spring Flower and Bake Sale on Saturday, May 9, 2026. The sale will be held at 3407 N. Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110. Please contact William Forgy at hartrescue10@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer and/or donate baked items or a raffle basket for the event. We are currently seeking sponsors for this annual event . If you or someone you know is willing to sponsor this event, please contact William Forgy at hartrescue10@gmail.com.

Fall Mum and Bake Sale – Saturday September 12, 2026:

The sale will be held at 3407 N. Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110. Please contact William Forgy at hartrescue10@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer and/or donate baked items or a raffle basket for the event. We are currently seeking sponsors for this annual event . If you or someone you know is willing to sponsor this event, please contact William Forgy at hartrescue10@gmail.com.



Catoberfest – Saturday, October 17, 2026:



Join HART for it's annual fall craft and vendor fair! There will be several different vendors, lots of crafts, raffle baskets, food, baked goods, and much more! Catoberfest will be held on Saturday, October 17, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Colonial Park U.C.C. in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in vending at this event, please contact Leslie Watova at lesliewatova@comcast.net. We look forward to seeing you there!

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"Cans 4 Cats"

"HART's Recycling Initiative"



In October 2024, HART began collecting cans in an effort to raise additional money to help support the cats and kittens in our care. Over the past fourteen months, HART has taken 968 pounds of aluminum and 520 pounds of steel to Consolidated Scrap Resources on Cameron Street in Harrisburg. Through this initiative, HART has raised \$663.51.

If you would like to participate in this initiative, please rinse out the cans, remove the labels, and separate all steel and aluminum into different bags as we get a different rate for steel and aluminum. Cans can be dropped off at Bill Forgy's house or taken directly to the recycling center. For more information about "Cans 4 Cats", please contact Kimmy Dauksha at kdauksha@yahoo.com.



Volunteers are always needed to assist with fostering, transporting cats and kittens to medical appointments, cat/kitten care and grooming, at events, and so much more! Use the QR Code to the right to complete the Volunteer Interest Survey to let us know that you are interested in lending a helping hand to HART!





WISHLIST



Purina One Kitten Chow
Purina One Dry Cat Food
Fancy Feast Kitten Pate
Friskies Canned Cat Food
Kitten Milk Replacement Formula
Clumping Clay Cat Litter (Any Brand)
Clumping Pine Cat Litter (Any Brand)
Kitten Baby Bottles/Nursers
Rescue Disinfectant Cleaner Spray
Rescue Disinfectant Wipes
Paper Towels
All Purpose Cleaners
NexGard Combo for Cats (1.8-5.5 Pounds)
NexGard Combo for Cats (5.6-16.5 Pounds)
Baby Wipes
All Purpose Disinfectant Wipes
7 Inch Paper Plates
Purina Pro Plan Forti Flora for Cats
Purina Pro Plan Hydra Care for Cats
Chewy.com Gift Cards
Amazon.com Gift Cards



Kitten Season is fast approaching and HART needs your help! We need fosters and donations can be sent through Chewy.com or Amazon.com. They can also be dropped off at Abrams and Weakley (3963 N. 6th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110)

or at Benny's Pet Depot (5202 Simpson Ferry Road, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050). Monetary donations can also be made via Venmo or PayPal.

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