

A cat is immediately eligible to be RTF'd if these conditions are all present:

The cat is evaluated and appears to be thriving.

- BCS is no less than 4/9 and no more than 8/9 BCS
- No injury or illness

The citizen wants the cat back

The location is deemed safe

- Search the area in Google Maps (satellite view)

There is history of the cat living in the area

We have a known address/neighborhood

Cat is aged at least 6 months

- As a life saving measure, we will SNR kittens under 6 months but they have to be at least 3 lbs and 3 months

Cat's temperament is not obviously friendly

Cat has no current ID tag or traceable microchip

A cat is not immediately eligible for RTF if any of these situations are present:

There is imminent threat to the cat's habitat

Cat has a significant medical condition

- Visible illness or injury including but not limited to: URI Stage 2 or greater, wound requiring treatment, eye disease, limp, BCS 3/9 or below or 9/9 or greater, significant skin disease (not RW), bleeding, lethargic/lateral

There is a reliable threat to the cat's life such as:

- Poison, dog attacks, reasonably verified violence

There is no known address/neighborhood to return the cat to

Cat is 5 months of age or under

Cat has presented from a public health/unmanageable situation such as:

- Hoarding cases, unsustainably large groups of cats, public nuisance hot zones, ecologically protected project areas

Cat is declawed

Cat is friendly AND has no owner or person who wants it back

Note: A cat may not be immediately available for RTF at intake, but may become eligible for RTF after receiving health services, displaying behavior best suited for outdoor living, citizen request for return, or other.