

Community Cat Initiative Guidelines for Caregivers

Scheduling and Drop-Off Instructions:

- Community Cat Initiative (CCI) services are provided on Fridays by appointment only.
- Drop-off on your scheduled day at the side of the building through the Animal Support Center.
- All cats must be brought in a trap, regardless of their temperament.
- Ensure each cat has a CCI Surgical Authorization Form completed and signed before you leave.
- Bring cash, check, or a credit card for all services, payment is due at drop-off

Service Details:

- All cats receiving surgery will be ear-tipped. No exceptions.
- All cats over 12 weeks of age will be vaccinated for rabies. No exceptions.
- Symptomatic cats may be tested for FeLV/FIV at veterinarian's discretion at no charge and positive cats will be euthanized while under sedation. No exceptions.
- Cats with minor infections (abscesses, etc.) will be provided with an antibiotic injection at veterinary discretion for a \$15.00 charge.
- Columbus Humane may refuse to perform surgery if a veterinarian determines the cat to be too sick.
- Injectable pain management is utilized on every surgery performed and includes a pre-operative opioid and a post-operative long-acting non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug.

Pick-Up and Post-

- Friday pick-up is between the hours of 4:00 and 4:30 PM.
- Caretakers will be provided with medical records for each cat.
- Cats should remain confined in their trap overnight before release the morning after surgery.
- Canned food should be provided overnight.
- Recover the cats indoors or in a temperature-controlled space and cover the trap with a lightweight cover.
- Check on the cats periodically throughout the night.
- If there is a medical emergency overnight, contact

OSU Veterinary Medical Center

(614) 292-3551 601 Vernon L. Tharp Street Columbus, OH 43210

• If there is a non-urgent medical need or questions about the records provided at pick-up, contact the CCI staff representative at Columbus Humane at tmoore@columbushumane.org.