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Temporary Kitten Foster Homes Needed

Shaftsbury, VT, - May 1, 2010 - Can you take care of a litter of kittens or a feline mom-to-be temporarily? If so, Second Chance Animal Center would like to hear from you.

Spring has sprung, and with it, the kitten season has begun. Calls are starting to come into the shelter for help from good Samaritans who have come upon litters of homeless kittens. “Space at the shelter is limited, and almost all of our foster homes are full. If we cannot find more foster homes, we will have no choice but to turn people away until space becomes available” says Tina Wheeldon, Director of Shelter Operations.

Foster homes are desperately needed for litters already born as well as moms-to-be. If you think fostering might be for you, call or stop in and ask to speak with Jessica Nilsen, Animal Care Coordinator. She would be happy to tell you more about the foster program and answer any questions you may have. All of the veterinary care, food, medicine, litter and supplies are provided by Second Chance, while the foster parent provides a safe environment, care and oodles of love so the kittens can thrive.

Once the kittens are fully weaned (at about eight weeks of age), they are spayed and neutered so that they won't add to the problem of pet overpopulation. They are then ready to be adopted with a purr of thanks to their foster mom or dad.

Second Chance has been serving the needs of homeless animals in the tri-state area for over 50 years. The shelter is located on VT Route 7A, and the phone number is 802-375-2898. It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11:00-3:30 PM, with extended hours on Wednesday and Friday until 7:00 PM, and most Sundays from 12:00-3:00 PM.

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