

# SAFARI SCOOTER SAYS...

If you encounter community cats in the wild, there are a few things to keep in mind:

1. Please leave stray kittens where you found them — as long as they're in a safe place. Those kittens may look helpless (and adorable!), but mom is likely out searching for their next meal.
2. If you're feeding a stray, please take responsibility and call us. We'll make sure your cat friend is spayed or neutered and safely returned.
3. If you see a cat with a tipped left ear, the animal has already been spayed or neutered. Someone in the community cared!



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## WHAT IS TRAP NEUTER RETURN?

Trap Neuter Return (TNR) is how we spay and neuter community cats. It consists of three steps:

- **TRAP**  
A caring volunteer (maybe you!) captures the cat in an approved, humane trap and brings it to a nearby spay/neuter clinic.
- **NEUTER**  
A veterinarian vaccinates and spays/neuters, then painlessly tips the left ear.
- **RETURN**  
The volunteer returns the cat to the community for a successful reunion.

## WHY DO THEY TIP THE EAR?

Tipping the ear is done while the cat is under anesthesia, so it feels no pain. This practice enables volunteers and residents to easily identify (from a distance) which community cats have already been spayed or neutered.

