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KittyKind is in bragging mode this month, and it should be. The **Petco Love Corporation** informed KittyKind that it made the “**TOP 100 Adoption Partners list!**” KittyKind has received twenty-five crates/carriers for upcoming adoption events. Also, **Maddie’s Fund®**, a family foundation founded in 1994, by Workday® co-founder Dave Duffield and his wife, Cheryl, to “revolutionize” the status of companion animals, awarded KittyKind a \$3,000 grant for its inclusive marketing to reach diverse adopters. See which cats got adopted recently.

WHO GOT ADOPTED?

January 2022: 25 Cats

Augustus, Lunamoon, Batman, Blake, Chrissy, Crystal, Goldfinger, Jay, Jenni, Lily: Courtesy Post, Louis, Madrid, Marzipan, Nigel, Peek-a-boo, Pixy, Sevilla, Socks, Sparkles, Spirit, Spot, Spyro, Tiny, Valencia, Violet, Zeus, and Hera

February 2022: 23 Cats

Azul, Dasher, Dylan, Eva: Courtesy Post, Grisou, Hettie, Hildy, Juhi, Nicolette, Noah, Patricia, Paul, Pip, Razz, Sammy, Saskia: Courtesy Post, Simon, Sophie and Ruby, Spago, Sydney, Turtle, Vasily, Whiskie



Clockwise from bottom left: Marzipan, Spago, and Hettie

HI-FIVE (PAW?) TO THE KITTY KIND ADOPTION REPS

We'd like to thank the amazing adoption team, and the adoption-team helpers, for their dedication during the past two years, challenging, at best.:

JEAN F.: who plays so many roles, she should win an Oscar.

JOSH W: who has managed ALL of KittyKind's off-site adoptions throughout the last two years!

CATHY C: who has devoted so much of her free time, both as a rep and by training Ben, even while she was still working full time as a nurse

PATRICIA K: who not only comes in every Sunday, but brings her rescues in on days she didn't have to work, all while rescuing and caring for strays in her neighborhood

BEN L.: who immediately took to being an adoption rep, and is always willing to talk cats with potential adopters

KATHY S: who works all weekend, gives impromptu tutorials on nail clipping, administers medications, and keeps the kittens' eyes booger-free :)"

MARIE M.: who works full time and dedicates weekends to all things adoption: data collection, adopting, and writing cat descriptions that make us weep and laugh at the same time.



Kuma and Magpie are snuggling in their foster home

FROM KIWI KITTYKIND'S RESIDENT SOCIAL-WORKER CAT:

For returning readers, you know I have a heavy involvement with "Snacker's Anonymous." That took up most of the winter, but now I'm back.

UPCOMING, READ ALL ABOUT IT!

KittyKind now has a non-profit YouTube channel that has lots of memory. We can share Foster Faves, Happy Tales, Cat Care, Lower-Cost Services, etc

However, the site has a clunky URL. We need 100 people to click on this URL and subscribe. Then, we can make a new URL. For now, when you click, you'll see photos of me, doing my social-work thing at home with mom. Nothing like tech to distract from snacks.

We'll send an email reminder to click on this site. We'll let you know when we have those hundred subscribers. Let's start clicking.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNdX7vFgdA2t-Gr-2QPaKTHQ>

(After 30 days, and 100 subscribers, KittyKind can get a custom URL.)



Kiwi keeping busy

TRUE LOVE STORIES

In our February issue, we started our **TRUE LOVE** column, stories of cats and pet parents. Your stories amaze and amuse us. Please continue to email **your True Love** story to Jean F., catcaremanager@kittykind.org.

“REMEMBERING MOOSH”:

Alex H., a long-time cat-care volunteer, wanted to share this with our volunteers, for those that had met Moosh (a.k.a., Sparky) in our adoption center. It feels a little better to Alex to know he'll be well remembered.

“My cat, **Moosh**, aka Sparky, who I adopted in December of 2020, died today, February 17th. I took him in to the vet Monday for lack of appetite and sluggishness, and over the course of the week he experienced cascading symptoms relating to his liver. They're not entirely sure what happened yet, and I hope they can find out eventually. He was the sweetest cat I've ever known, so good natured and friendly and interested in new people. I love him so very much and I utterly doted over him. He was less than three years old.”

AN UPDATE:

The recent beauty at KittyKind, Sebastian, is hanging out at Alex's house as a trial adoption.

“He's being sweet as ever, but we're starting to see his mischievous side too. He loves throwing around toy mice, and today he tried to steal some cheese off the kitchen table :D We've been brushing him, and I think he's looking very healthy.”



Sebastian

Moosh



Sammy and Sparky (Spanky)- From Heidi and Yifat:

We fostered these two adorable kitties a few months ago and decided we certainly couldn't let them go!

They sometimes look like twins and trick us into thinking one is the other, BUT a closer look will reveal two different characters: Sammy is a sweet and gentle guy who will melt every heart with his stare, while Sparky is a curious little rascal who likes to chew on chords, swallow treats without chewing them first and play with everything around him.

It's amazing to see how from frightened kittens they have become confident, loving, purring, playful and funny cats, who provide us lots of laughs every day.



From Chris & Bonnie F.

KittyKind came across Zane (formerly known as Zen) in a feral colony when he was still a kitten. He loves being with his people so much that it's believed he may have been abandoned there. Fortunately, he was rescued and soon made friends. He apparently also made quite an impression in the Union Square Petco. The KittyKind reps we spoke with there will never forget his voice.

It took him a few days to adjust to his new forever home, hiding under furniture and sprinting from room-to-room so as not to be seen. Even when he was in hiding though, he couldn't help but grab dangly toys we would drag across the floor under the furniture. He just loves to play that much.

His new brother, Genie, wasn't sure about the intruder at first, but on the fifth day, the grumbling stopped, and the playing started. Genie is one of those cats who really needs his cat-on-cat play time and Zane is just such a ball of energy that he was happy to oblige.

A few days later, something cat adopters often only dream of began to happen; they started cuddling with each other everywhere - on beds, on chairs, on laps. A lot. Like, a lot a lot. We have so many adorable cat-love pics now that we have no idea what to do with them. We've attached the best few for you to marvel at.

In other news, Zane frequently enjoys playing Fetch with his plastic toy springs, which he often rolls under furniture. He loves hanging out on windowsills, licking his new brother Genie's ears, chasing Genie around the apartment in the middle of the night, and sleeping on his people's chests. Genie often stalks Zane in the hall, waiting for him to zip by during laser pointer time so he can playfully tackle and wrestle his new buddy.

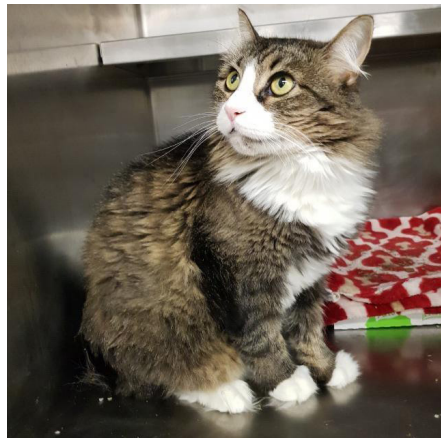
Poor Zane came with some dental problems, so many thanks to KittyKind for taking care of the little guy's teeth. He is a loving, cuddly, sociable party animal; he and his new family adore each other!



Zane (orange) and Genie

From Darina G.:

Two sisters Winter and Misha (previously Mouse) live together in a quiet Williamsburg apartment. Winter was adopted from KittyKind 3 years ago and was originally named one of the most dangerous cats at KittyKind. If you ever wanted to hear an actual tiger growl you should have visited Winter back in her day at the KittyKind at the Union Square location. Shortly after coming home, turned out that Winter's one of the sweetest cats alive and she just needed a reliable human and her own rent-free New York apartment. Winter always walks in slow motion in order to not break anything anywhere, brings black hair ties and bobby pins to her food bowl, and cuddles with you whenever she sees you in a somewhat horizontal position. Misha, being adopted a year ago from KittyKind as a kitten, is a completely different story. This gray ball of energy never stops surprising her human and feline roommates. Not only Misha is exceptionally athletic, beautiful, and, well, athletic, she is also incredibly smart. Misha learned how to open doors, closets, and(!) the treats jar. Misha can climb ladders, windows, basically anything. She is the absolute favorite of every single vet who has ever worked with her, she loves new humans and their attention. Both ladies are enjoying their life and bringing a lot of joy to our little family of three.



Winter (long hair) and Misha (gray and white)

From: Ashley C.:

We adopted Jordan (now Komo) back in February of last year. Patricia helps us adopt Komo. He was about 10 months then, now a year and half old I'd assume. He is our first cat, and we were somewhat nervous in the beginning, just as Komo was. It took him more than a week to come out of the bathroom and open up to us. Yet, he has been nothing but a goofy ball of pure joy! Certainly, the best thing we did in the year 2021.

He doesn't meow, but rather "chirp chirp" like a peep. He's got the cutest voice. He is very careful, cautious, and chickens out easily, but runs around the house like a cheetah when it's mealtime. He loves practicing self-care on my leather chair, yogi-style.

It's remarkable how this extremely shy boy, over time, made himself at home and loves cuddling in the bed and sleeping on my lap.

Thanks everyone at Kitty Kind for making us proud, first-time, cat parents.



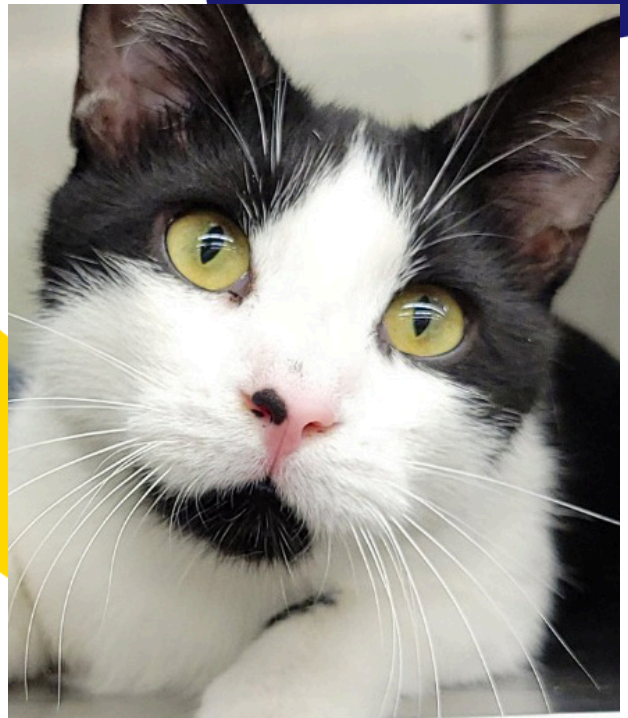
Komo, FKA Jordan



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It's Spring, and you'll find a lot of new cats at KittyKind. Please encourage friends and family to foster/adopt. In the meantime, thanks for your "clicks" clicks that support the cats still waiting. The cats brag about you.



Available cats from top left: Monty; left: Azabar and Muty; top right: Mickey

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