



Newsletter, October 2022



School daze, school daze, oops, school days. Does anyone else feel school's been open now for weeks? KittyKind's been so busy finding new ways to help the cats, it's lost track. New -- KittyKind's partnering with another non-profit, "Partnership of Shelter Animals, NYC," to help Nino, a senior cat from the Animal Care Center, the NYC shelter. Kiwi, KittyKind's social worker cat, is assisting by sponsoring Nino in the 2022 Best Friends Strut Your Mutt (or CAT!) campaign. KittyKind's studying the new guidelines for the annual Petco Holiday Wishes Love Stories grant. It's also learning decorating tips for its upcoming Adoption Weekend. Anyone got a yellow marker?

WHO GOT ADOPTED?

August, 30 Cats Total, AND, good news! 19 of the cats were KITTENS!

An A+ to the July kittens for teaching the other kittens how to get adopted: Smidge, Smiley, Smooch, Smokey, Nathan, Zander, Lorenzo, Precious / Forrest, Mila, Ricotta, Molly, Remi, Smudge, Apolla, Smitty, Rock Star, Monster, Eddie

And, of course, the adorable adults:

Buttercup, Carlos, Jay, Kimbo, Layla, Mr. Liberty, Nino, Oliver, Powder, Pretzel, Ruby



Top:

Smudge

*Left: Volunteer
fave Carlos;*

Right: Apolla



SAVE A SENIOR: NINO!

Olivia D. is a KittyKind volunteer who also volunteers at the Animal Care Center (ACC), the NYC shelter. She and Lindsay F., an ACC volunteer and founder of a non-profit to help pets surrendered to the ACC, received permission from the ACC to “pull” Nino. Nino is a twelve-year-old senior whose senior owner surrendered him to the ACC. Nino was a favorite at the ACC, but after several months in the cage, Nino had noticeable hair loss and loss of body weight. In August, Lindsay, helped to find a temporary foster home with a senior artist (Robert) who’d recently lost his cat. Lindsay, and a group of volunteers, visited Robert daily to assist in Nino’s care. Lindsay then found another foster parent who can temporarily care for Nino.

<http://www.partnershipforshelteranimalsnyc.org/>,

Director: Lindsay Freda

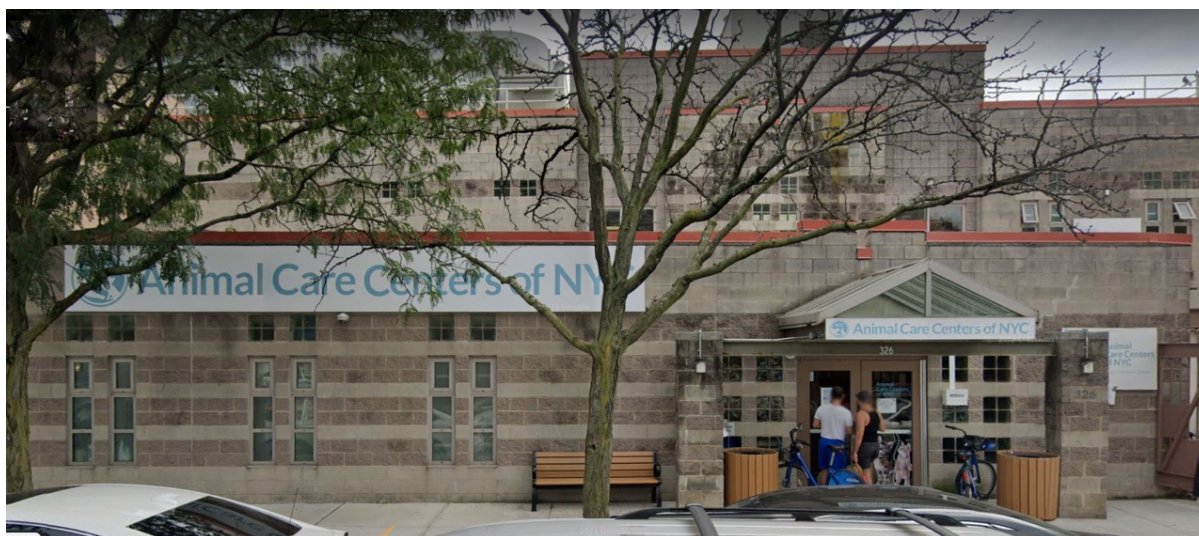
Based upon tests done at the Cooper Square Animal Hospital. Nino will need ongoing, supportive care for kidney deterioration, among other issues such as hair loss –e.g., a special diet, hydration, security, love. KittyKind has agreed to share costs with Lindsay’s non-profit for Nino’s care. Nino will need a patient, skilled adopter, or a long-term foster parent, whom KittyKind can mentor and support.

To raise funds, KittyKind’s social worker cat, the FIV+ Kiwi, has agreed to form “Team Nino.” Kiwi and his team will share Nino’s story on the 2022 Best Friends Strut Your Mutt (or CAT!) virtual walk. The “walk” is to raise funds from now until October 22. Please see KittyKind’s Facebook page to watch Nino hit the road, with his snacks.

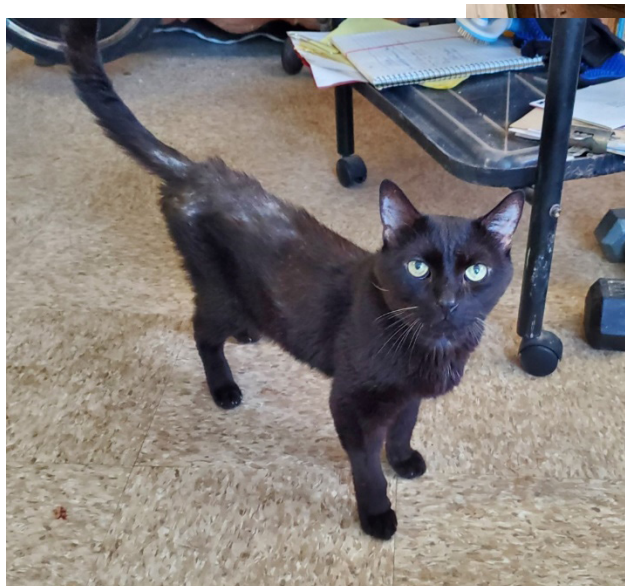


Special needs senior Nino enjoying the view in his foster home

NINO'S JOURNEY TO CARE



Animal Care Center, 110th Street and First Avenue



Nino in Second Foster Home



Right: Nino, Finally Out of the Cage, with Robert, First Foster Parent



With Pauline, Nino's
Second Foster Parent

It's almost time to **STRUT. YOUR. MUTT.**

<https://ny.bestfriends.org/events/local-events/strut-your-mutt>



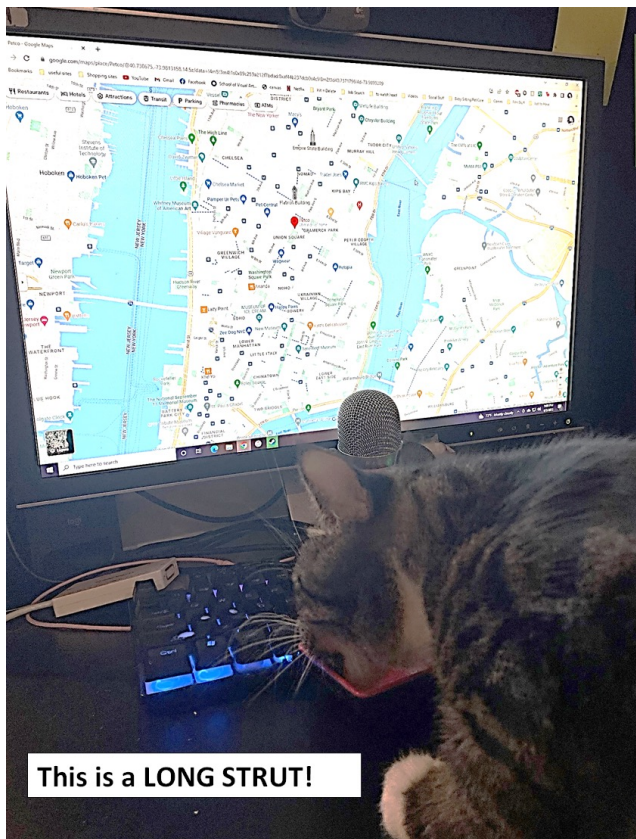
STRUT YOUR MUTT ✓



Virtual Strut Your Mutt day is Saturday Oct 24! Strut Your Mutt Day is the virtual walk and fundraising event that since 2011 has been raising crucial funds to save the lives of dogs and cats in communities across the country.

When you register for Strut Your Mutt Day, you can virtually raise funds for Best Friends Animal Society or for the participating local network partner of your choice. It all culminates on Strut Your Mutt Day, Saturday, October 24, when animal lovers across the country are encouraged to get outside and walk their dogs, stay in and snuggle their cats or donate to help pets.

We're going to have more fun than ever with a calendar chock-full of brand-new engaging events hosted virtually on social media. You'll be able to join us for events like "pig yoga," Advocacy Day, the Bow Wow Film Festival, and much more. More announcements are on the way, so be sure and check the event calendar regularly throughout the season.



Kiwi Mapping His Journey



Kiwi, Getting Ready to Strut

ADOPTION WEEKEND September 16–18!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the July 2022 Adoption Weekend, especially the KittyKind adoption representatives – and the adopting parents. Good news for the cats! There's another adoption event from Friday, 9/16/2022 through Sunday 9/18/22. Please check the KittyKind web page for cats to adopt (or foster) adopt@kittykind.org, visit the KittyKind adoption center in the Petco Store, 17th Street and Broadway, Union Square, NYC, and view KittyKind's social media. The cats are pacing and pawing, waiting for you. Adoption fees are waived for senior cats, and there will be "goodie bags" for adopters.



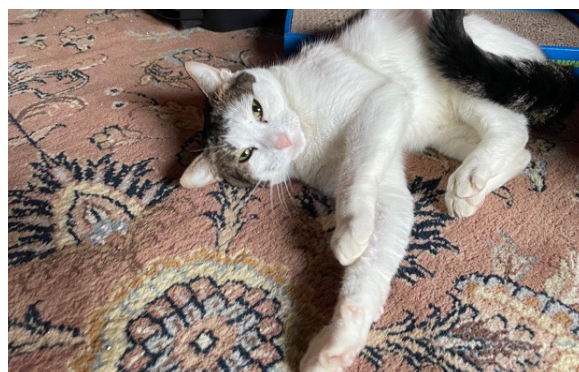


HOLIDAY LOVE, ALL YEAR ROUND

Calling all adopters: The Petco Love Corporation, and the rest of the nation, want to hear from you. Specifically, they want to know about the love in your life, from the love of your life – your adopted cat!

You'll be receiving an email soon with details about what to submit, where, and when. In the meantime, though, please read the "love stories" of last year's winners. Love is boundless. Let's share.

<https://petcolove.org/lovestories/>



Meg could be YOUR NEW LOVE. She's in foster!

1 IN 3 PETS WILL GO MISSING.
Petco Love Lost can help bring them home.

REGISTER YOUR PET

RETURN TO HOME

Periodically, KittyKind gets requests to help to find a lost cat. We'll continue to help any way we can to reunite. You can also find helpful links on the KittyKind webpage – a timeline, tips, etc.

<https://kittykind.org/lost-pet/>

AND please remember to register your pet:

<https://lost.petcolove.org/>

Thanks for all you do. For now, we're calling recess.

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Seriously. Tell your friends. She's a smart lady