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**Saturday, June 6, 2026 & Sunday, June 7, 2026**

**10:00 AM – 5:00 PM EDT**  
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## Saturday, June 6, 2026

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10:00 –10:15 AM ET

### Conference Welcome

**Stacy LeBaron, Community Cats Central**

**Rosemarie Crawford, The National Kitten Coalition**

Welcome to the 9th Annual Kitten Conference. The event will begin with a welcome address, followed by an overview of the technology and tools required for participation. We will also review the program schedule to ensure all attendees are prepared for the sessions. Please join us promptly to facilitate a smooth start to the conference.

10:15 - 11:00 AM ET

### Kitten Emergencies: Practical Knowledge for Triage and Support

**Emily Coleman, DVM, Executive Director of the National Kitten Coalition**

Kittens are very fragile beings that require immediate and intensive care in the face of a medical emergency. While early veterinary intervention is essential, it is recognized that supportive care to stabilize a kitten is often required before transportation. Conditions that will leave an adult cat only mildly ill or uncomfortable can quickly become life-threatening for a neonatal or young kitten.

This talk will discuss how to recognize and provide appropriate support for a wide range of emergencies including ocular, respiratory, gastrointestinal, parasitic, congenital and traumatic. These emergencies, while varying in levels of urgency as well as ease of treatment, all often involve a kitten that is just days to weeks old.

After attending this talk, the kitten caregiver should feel more confident in the supplies and skills necessary to support this vulnerable population, as well as how to have honest and frank conversations with their veterinarian as to the best course of action in regards to diagnosis and treatment.

**About Dr. Coleman** | Dr. Emily A. Coleman grew up in Baltimore, Maryland and acquired a Bachelor of Science at the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, Virginia in 2005. She then attended the Virginia Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia, graduating and receiving her DVM in 2009.

After over ten years in private practice and shelter medicine, Dr. Coleman decided to think outside of the box and to start her own mobile feline spay/neuter/TNR and preventative care practice dedicated to supporting 501c3 nonprofit rescue organizations in Central Virginia. The Celtic Cat, LLC opened in November 2021 and has since assisted over twenty organizations with their veterinary care of cats and kittens. Dr. Coleman’s veterinary interests include neonatal kitten care, preventative surgery and medicine, as well as geriatric care. Dr. Coleman serves as the IACUC veterinarian at the University of Mary Washington and has served on the Board of Directors for The National Kitten Coalition since 2023, becoming the Executive Director September 2025. Dr. Coleman has spoken on behalf of the NKC at national veterinary conferences, and she regularly hosts NKC webinars. She currently lives in Spotsylvania, Virginia with her husband, cats, dogs and chickens and fosters the most vulnerable neonatal kittens from surrounding counties each year, typically receiving them at just a few days old.

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### **Tiny Lives, Big Gains: The Topeka Kitten Comeback Story**

***Grace Clinton, Director of Philanthropy, Helping Hands Humane Society, Inc.***

Kitten outcomes don’t improve by chance — they improve by design.

In this session, we’ll explore how our organization raised our kitten live release from 67% to 84% in just two years by rethinking not just how we care for fragile neonates, but how they enter our system in the first place. We developed a full wrap-around approach, using all our departments working together to make it happen. It’s not a one-stop one-solution plan, it’s the sum-total of how we refused to give up.

Helping Hands Humane Society in Topeka is an open-admission animal shelter, with more than 6,000 pets coming in annually. The need in our community is huge, but the tiny lives continued to be our biggest losses...until now. Discussion points will include our funding, our public programming, in-house programming, marketing, community education, and more. We’ll also discuss medical advancements and approaches that helped us save kittens who previously may not have survived. It wasn’t “one magic thing” we did – it was all of them at the same time.

Attendees will leave with practical strategies for building systems that support kitten survival at every stage: before intake, during medical care, and throughout foster placement. This session focuses on scalable changes — operational, medical, and community-based — that can help shelters move from managing kitten season to fundamentally improving outcomes. We’ve all found the boxes of the kittens at the front door – now what we do with them has endless possibilities.

**About Grace Clinton** | Grace Clinton has served as the Director of Philanthropy for Helping Hands Humane Society for almost seven years. With a background in social services, she has served the Topeka community in a variety of ways – from crisis response for runaway teens to coordinating basic human needs. Her passion for community advocacy led her to the humane society, where her role in voicing the organization’s needs to donors and public stakeholders has led to the development of a multitude of programs aimed at bridging human-animal service gaps. She holds a BS in Human Services with an emphasis in Mental Health Services from Washburn University and a Master’s degree in Library and Information Sciences from Emporia University. She is the loving mother of a giant dogs, three cats, and a small human child and has fostered over 100 animals (mostly kittens!) in her time at HHHS.

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## Using Kitten Data to Build Community Support

***Tori Fugate, Director of Communications, Shelter Animals Count at ASPCA***

Kittens need all the help they can get—and data can be one of your most powerful tools to rally support! In this session, Shelter Animals Count will share insights from national kitten data and show you how to leverage your own data to drive action. We'll cover key data points that shelters and rescues can track, how to use dashboards to monitor trends, and why animal-level data is essential for telling your story.

You'll learn how to translate numbers into compelling messages that inspire your community to step up, whether it's by fostering, volunteering, donating, or advocating for kittens in need. We'll also discuss best practices for marketing and messaging that turn data into real-life impact. Whether you're a foster, shelter staff member, or kitten caregiver, this session will give you the tools to use data effectively and grow your lifesaving efforts.

**About Tori Fugate** | Tori Fugate joined Shelter Animals Count (SAC) in September 2024 and serves as Director of SAC Communications at the ASPCA, bringing more than a decade of experience in animal welfare and strategic communications. Shelter Animals Count joined the ASPCA to strengthen and expand its role as the most trusted source of animal sheltering data nationwide.

Previously, Tori was Chief Communications Officer at KC Pet Project, where she helped build the organization's brand after it assumed operations of the Kansas City, MO, animal shelter in 2012. Her career spans comprehensive marketing, public relations, digital strategy, media relations, and education initiatives across the animal welfare sector, with national media coverage including People Magazine, The Dodo, CBS News, USA Today, Queer Eye, and The Rachael Ray Show.

Tori serves on NACA's Marketing and Communications Committee and regularly speaks at conferences, focusing on data-driven storytelling and transparency in sheltering.

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## Supporting Community Kitten Sitters

***Chris Roy, Founder, Doobert***

Kitten season sends chills down the spine of animal shelters across the country. So many new people calling with kittens they found, and there's no room at the shelter or not enough fosters to care for them. If only there was a resource to direct these well-intentioned people to that could support them to keep the kittens until they were ready to be adopted. A resource that had videos, training, support guides and most of all 24/7 LIVE human support for all of their questions. In this presentation we'll discuss how this new kitten diversion program can support organizations

across the country keeping kittens in temporary foster homes until they are ready for what's next. You'll learn all about how it works, and how you can get involved.

**About Chris Roy** | Chris Roy is a technology executive in his "day" job and the founder of Doobert with his spare time. Doobert has evolved over the years and the software supports animal welfare programs of all kinds. From Food assistance to TNR, fostering to shelter diversion, the Doobert system brings two-way texting and automatic workflows to make any program more streamlined. And with Doobert Connect, the team at Doobert provides 24/7/365 support to organizations fosters answering all of their questions at 2am and even providing veterinary medical triage for life-threatening emergencies. Chris and his wife Rachael are proud parents to 5 cats and a recent addition of a dog named Kaiya.

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## Cool Tool- Kitten Multiplier Demonstration

**Cory Piland, Grant Writer and Volunteer, Operation Catnip of Richmond**

In this presentation, we'll introduce a new tool: The Community Cat Multiplication Table! Now you can calculate the number of offspring one or more cats can produce, while also adjusting the calculation to better reflect conditions specific to your community. Variables such as overall colony health, geographic location, and veterinary resources within your community all have an impact on how quickly a colony can multiply. We'll review these, as well as give a few examples of how this tool can be useful for rescues, TNR organizations, and community cat advocates.

**About Cory Piland** | Cory Piland is a grant writer and volunteer for Operation Catnip in Richmond, Virginia. A data enthusiast, she oversees data collection and analysis for their monthly TNR Spay/Neuter clinics, which allows them to measure progress and the success of their mission. She has also been a kitten foster for Richmond Animal Care and Control, the city's municipal shelter, for 17 years and counting, with experience in bottle babies, pregnant/nursing mothers, and socializing spicy community kittens. Cory is a recent graduate of the Community Cats Program Management Certification Program through the University of the Pacific.

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## Feral Kittens - Rescue to Adoption Strategies

**Mike Phillips, President and Co-founder, Urban Cat League**

Join Mike for an engaging discussion of best practices for trapping, taming and preparation of feral kittens to put them into the arms of a prospective adopter.

**About Mike Phillips** | Mike is the president of Urban Cat League which he started with 3 neighbors in 2001.

In 2010, the Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association named Mike recipient of its award, “BEST FRIEND TO FERAL CATS.” In 2014, he was recruited to be the founding Senior Supervisor of the ASPCA’s Neonatal Kitten Nursery after having formerly served as the Vet Tech Supervisor of their NYC Adoption Center and having teched on the A’s mobile Spay/Neuter clinics even before graduating Vet Tech school. Thousands have attended Mike’s workshops for Community Cats on numerous topics including Taming Feral Kittens, Advanced TNR Trapping Techniques, Feral Cat-Shelter Building, TNR Community Relations and Bottle Feeding Neonatal Kittens.

Offered in-person around the US and Canada, the workshops are now available on the Urban Cat League YouTube Channel. When President of Neighborhood Cats, Mike organized the very first TNR Certification Workshop, which Neighborhood Cats continues monthly online to this day, having trained tens of thousands of people in TNR best practices. Before leaving Show-biz entirely to focus on cat work, Mike’s alter ego worked in theater as a director, choreographer and performer for over 40 years including 20 years at the New York City Opera.

**4:55 – 5:00 PM ET**

### **Day One Closing Session**

***Stacy LeBaron, Community Cats Central***  
***Rosemarie Crawford, The National Kitten Coalition***

Get ready to wrap up the first day of the Conference! This closing session will be packed with exciting giveaways, interactive trivia, and a dynamic Q&A opportunity.

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**Sunday, June 7, 2026**  
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**10:00 - 10:15 AM ET**

### **Welcome Back!**

***Stacy LeBaron, Community Cats Podcast***  
***Rosemarie Crawford, The National Kitten Coalition***

**10:15 - 11:15 AM ET**

### **Fix by Five: Equipping Animal Welfare & Veterinary Professionals to Lead the Conversation**

***Brianna Lovell Myers, Executive Director, United Spay Alliance***

Did you know a kitten can become pregnant as early as four months old? Yet many cats still aren't spayed or neutered until six months or later — often too late to prevent an unplanned litter. That's the gap Feline Fix by Five is working to close.

In this session, we'll break down the Feline Fix by Five campaign — what it is, why it matters, and what you can do to champion it in your rescue or clinic. Backed by a veterinary consensus statement endorsed by the AVMA, AAHA, and the Association of Shelter Veterinarians, the recommendation is clear: sterilize cats by five months of age.

We'll cover:

- What Feline Fix by Five is and the science behind it
- Medical benefits, including a dramatically reduced risk of mammary cancer and elimination of pyometra risk
- Behavioral benefits that help keep cats in their homes
- The ripple effect — how early spay/neuter reduces shelter intake and creates better outcomes for community cats, rescues, and adopters
- How rescues and vet techs can advocate for the five-month standard
- Common questions and pushback — and how to respond with confidence

Whether you're placing kittens in foster homes, advising adopters, or counseling clients chairside, this session will give you the tools and talking points to make Fix by Five the norm, not the exception.

**About Brianna Lovell Myers** | Brianna Lovell Myers — known as Bri — is the Executive Director of United Spay Alliance, a national nonprofit organization championing affordable, accessible, and timely spay/neuter services as the cornerstone of animal welfare. Appointed Executive Director in 2025, Bri leads the organization's efforts to expand high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter programs and strengthen the movement nationwide. She also oversees Feline Fix by Five, a campaign encouraging sterilization of cats by five months of age. Feline Fix by Five is celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2026 and continues to grow its reach, endorsements, and support across the veterinary and animal welfare communities.

Bri began her animal welfare career at Alley Cat Allies, and has spent years working alongside grassroots rescues, TNR groups, and advocacy organizations as an independent consultant. She holds a Master of Public Administration from West Virginia University and lives in Maryland with her family and rescue pup, Blu.

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## Saving Kittens Through Targeted Grant Funding

**Jackie Noble, Executive Director, Orphan Kitten Club**

We're proud to share that shelters save as many as 275% more kittens after partnering with Orphan Kitten Club.

The presentation demonstrates how strategic funding allows animal welfare groups to expand capacity, improve survival rates for underage kittens, and implement best practices in kitten care. It also highlights the importance of data tracking and reporting to show results. By combining funding, mentorship, and data-driven decision-making, organizations are better equipped to strengthen their kitten programs and maximize lifesaving.

By showcasing real-world outcomes and the broader impact of these grants, the presentation aims to show how focused financial support, coupled with mentorship and strong data tracking practices, can drive meaningful change for kittens nationwide.

**About Jackie Noble** | Jackie Noble, Executive Director of Orphan Kitten Club, is a renowned expert in neonatal kittens and shelter programs, bringing over 15 years of dedicated experience to the field of animal welfare. At Orphan Kitten Club, we support kittens through shelter grants, lifesaving medical care, mentorship, ethical research, and specialty care in our kitten nursery. Jackie played a pivotal role as the former Senior Director of Behavior, Nursery, and Foster for the San Diego Humane Society. Overseeing the first and longest-running shelter kitten nursery. Her leadership and innovative approaches have significantly contributed to the advancement of neonatal kitten care and shelter operations.

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## Rabies Vaccination as an Essential Element of TNVR Programs — and More Importantly, What Do You Do with the Really Young Ones?

**G. Robert Weedon, DVM, MPH, HQHVSN Surgeon, Paws Plus Veterinary**

For decades, we've been sterilizing community cats in order to help reduce their population, with the primary goal of improving their wellbeing. But what if I told you there is an additional benefit to Trap, Neuter, Vaccinate, Return (TNVR) programs – one that protects the health of pets and people in our communities by vaccinating for rabies? The question then becomes, what to do with kittens that are under the minimum label age for rabies vaccine, but cannot be diverted to foster care for socialization and adoption, and must be returned to their colony?

By integrating rabies vaccinations into TNVR efforts, we create a proactive barrier against the disease, reducing the risk of transmission from wildlife to both pets and people. This added layer of protection has garnered the attention and support of public health officials across the country. In this presentation, we'll also explore what to do with kittens that are under the minimum label age of 12 weeks for rabies vaccination.

Ultimately, TNVR not only reduces community cat populations but also plays a critical role in safeguarding public health.

**About G. Robert Weedon, DVM** | G. Robert Weedon, DVM, MPH is a High Quality, High Volume Spay-Neuter (HQHVSN) Surgeon with Paws Plus Veterinary in Lakeland, FL, after retiring as a Clinical Assistant Professor and

Service Head of Shelter Medicine at the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine, where he trained veterinary students in HQHVSN techniques. Dr. Weedon also instructs veterinarians in HQHVSN techniques through his consulting company, SNIP (Spay/Neuter Instructional Program). He received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from Purdue University and his Master of Public Health from the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill.

As an advocate for solving the problem of pet overpopulation, particularly that of community cats, Dr. Weedon volunteered with Friends of Felines, a group that surgically sterilizes feral cats in the Wilmington, NC community and was a volunteer surgeon at the onsite spay/neuter facility at New Hanover County Animal Control Services, where animals were surgically sterilized prior to adoption. Dr. Weedon serves on the Board of Directors of the Alliance for Contraception in Cats & Dogs, an international organization whose goal is to develop and implement non-surgical sterilants to help solve the problem of pet overpopulation worldwide. Since December 2022, Dr. Weedon has been a member of the Vet Shortage Task Force convened by the United Spay Alliance, and is a volunteer Scientific Advisor for Alley Cat Allies, a global advocate for the humane treatment of all cats.

Dr. Weedon served as the veterinarian on the New Hanover County (NC) Board of Health for six years, and was a member of the Animal Control Services Advisory Committee. Dr. Weedon served on the Board of Directors of the Public Health Foundation of New Hanover County, having been elected President for 2009, and UNC Public Health Foundation Board. In June 2008, he received the Bill Lehman Memorial Award from the National Animal Control Association as the outstanding animal control volunteer in the United States. After retiring from clinical practice, and prior to assuming the faculty position at the University of Illinois, Dr. Weedon accepted the role of Veterinary Outreach Coordinator with the Global Alliance for Rabies Control in 2009, and prior to that, he was a volunteer ambassador with GARC, giving lectures on rabies prevention.

Dr. Weedon is the coauthor of the chapter on rabies in the textbook, Infectious Disease Management in Animal Shelters, 2nd Edition, as well as coauthor of two chapters in the recently published textbook, High-Quality, High-Volume Spay and Neuter and Other Shelter Surgeries, and has authored, or coauthored, numerous papers on the humane and effective management of feral and free-roaming cats. His most recent publication, “Response to Rabies Vaccine in Kittens Under 12 Weeks of Age,” published in the Journal of Shelter Medicine and Community Animal Health, is the first peer-reviewed evidence demonstrating the effectiveness of vaccinating young kittens that cannot be diverted to foster care for socialization and adoption and are returned to their colony.

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## **Kitten Socialization in Practice and in Data: Implementation Guide and Post-Adoption Outcomes**

***Jacklyn J Ellis, PhD CAAB CSB-C, Director, Behaviour, Toronto Humane Society***

When undersocialized kittens come into a shelter, we’re responsible for helping them get ready for life with people. But many organizations struggle with the “how”, especially given the limited resources that are the reality of most shelters. When I first started at Toronto Humane Society, I was in the same boat. To tackle this challenge, I created a structured, fear free socialization program to help these kittens learn that humans are safe. Using methodical desensitization and counterconditioning, trained volunteers work step by step toward a simple but meaningful goal: helping each kitten feel comfortable being touched and eventually enjoy petting. A built in progress tracking system helps staff and volunteers monitor welfare, adjust plans, and keep kittens moving forward at their own pace.

Volunteers in this program are among the most engaged at our organization, motivated by the remarkable transformations they witness and the knowledge that their direct involvement makes a real difference. In this session, we'll walk through how the program works, how volunteers are trained, and how it can be implemented anywhere.

I also struggled ethically with not knowing the fate of these kittens. Were they happy in their new homes? Were the adopters satisfied? In short, was I making decisions that were truly in everyone's best interests? To address these questions, I will share findings from a post-adoption study we conducted comparing the behaviours, welfare, and adopter satisfaction of socialized and undersocialized kittens. The results are encouraging: while undersocialized kittens were more likely to remain cautious with strangers, most settled well into their new homes, formed strong bonds with their adopters, and were rated highly for adopter satisfaction. In other words, even kittens who start out fearful of humans can thrive in adoptive homes.

Taken together, the program and the study offer a hopeful message: with thoughtful handling, patience, and a structured plan, undersocialized kittens can have successful long term outcomes. Shelters can feel confident offering adoption pathways for many of these kittens, and can use simple, scalable tools to support them along the way.

**About Jacklyn J Ellis** | Jacklyn Ellis is board certified by the Animal Behavior Society as a Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist, is Certified in Shelter Behavior – Cat by the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants, and is the Director of Behaviour at Toronto Humane Society. She earned her PhD in Animal Welfare at the Atlantic Veterinary College, University of Prince Edward Island, where she conducted research on methods for reducing stress in shelter cats. Her work has been published widely in peer reviewed journals and she has presented at many national and international conferences, particularly on feline stress and elimination behaviour. She has recently authored two chapters for a new edition of the leading textbook on the behaviour and welfare of shelter animals.

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## **More Kittens, Less Burnout: A Framework for Building Bottle Baby Programs That Work**

***Andee Bingham, Founder and Executive Director, Esther Neonatal Kitten Alliance***

Bottle baby kittens are some of the most intimidating animals in rescue. The fear of doing something wrong keeps many fosters and shelter staff from saying yes at all, and the ones who do say yes often find themselves isolated, overwhelmed, and burning out before the season is over.

In this session, learn how to build a foster support system that creates genuine confidence and around-the-clock support, how to develop a mentor program that transforms experienced caregivers into a resource for new fosters, and how to identify and protect against the compassion fatigue that quietly sidelines even the most dedicated rescue workers.

Whether you're building a bottle baby program from scratch or trying to make an existing one more sustainable, this session offers a practical, honest framework for raising more kittens without burning out the people who make it possible.

**About Andee Bingham** | Andee is the founder of the Esther Neonatal Kitten Alliance, a rescue in Asheville, North Carolina that focuses on newborn and medically-fragile kittens. Andee founded the Kitten Alliance in 2019 to fill a critical gap in her rescue community and has since built it into one of the only neonate-focused rescues in the country, maintaining an 85–90% save rate with a population that is roughly 80% neonates or severely injured and ill kittens. Andee is passionate about supporting communities, training shelter staff, and creating systems that save the youngest and most fragile kittens.

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## Closing Remarks

**Stacy LeBaron, Community Cats Central**

**Rosemarie Crawford, The National Kitten Coalition**

Thank you for being a part of the 7th Annual Online Kitten Conference!

We are thrilled to offer this unique event, where participants have the opportunity to learn from leading experts in kitten care and rescue. The Kitten Conference is made possible by the invaluable expertise and insights of our speakers, as well as by the generous support of our sponsors. The National Kitten Coalition and The Community Cats Central extend heartfelt thanks to our speakers, sponsors, and participants for trusting us to provide these valuable education opportunities.



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