

# Billerica Cat Care Coalition

Veterinary care is expensive...  
but the result is priceless!



Dracut Sandy



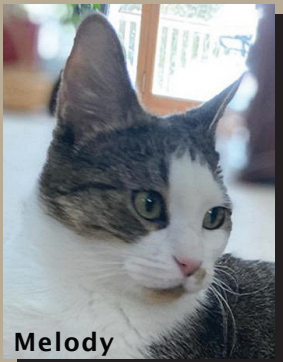
Ares and Juno

NO PANDEMIC PANDEMONIUM FOR BCCC...we carried on



Teddy and Lark

Lark was a former feral BCCC got fixed and brought in for evaluation, to see if he was a candidate for adoption. Some time passed, but Lark did indeed find his forever home, and a new buddy Teddy, pictured here.



Melody

Melody was brought to us as a pregnant stray who gave birth to five kittens (all adopted). Melody is now queen at a gated, exclusive stable, with a private heated room and full-time staff. (Her owner also happens to be a former veterinarian technician). Melody loves her new "job" as a working cat, and is adored by her cat family and their staff.

Dear BCCC friend, 

As we start our eighteenth year, Billerica Cat Care Coalition (BCCC) is proud to share with you the success we have achieved helping feral and abandoned cats and kittens, thanks to your generosity. BCCC has not slowed down at all, despite the ongoing pandemic. We've helped cat and kitten owners, in addition to the cats we helped directly. While adoption rates soared during the pandemic, we have been busier this year than ever, doing our Trap/Neuter/Return (TNR) with ferals (which is what BCCC was started for). We've also been busy helping cats readjust to their people being home more often and some issues that can go with that, so everyone is in harmony. And, as always, we continue to help injured cats in need.

**Sadly, once we find them, many of these cats have serious need for veterinary care.**

**Dracut Sandy** was being fed regularly by a kind feral cat feeder who noticed she was not using one of her front legs. BCCC took her in and learned her leg was so badly infected, the infection had moved into her bone. Ouch! Three rounds of different antibiotics and plenty of vet visits helped save her leg from being amputated, though she will always have a limp. We also discovered Dracut Sandy is FeLv+. Since she is young and doing well, once she has recovered, BCCC will help this sweet girl find the purrfect home!

**Ares and Juno**, a bonded, one year old brother and sister duo, were removed from a hoarding situation, along with many other cats and kittens. BCCC's vet discovered Ares had a "wound of unknown origin", which required him to be fostered for the state's mandatory timeframe of four months. BCCC also decided we did not want to split him up from his sister, Juno, who is a bit shyer and loves her brother. They are now both healthy, playful and ready to be adopted! Visit our website for details on how to adopt them.

**BCCC can help cats and kittens feel much better and have a great life!**

**Lark** was a former feral BCCC got fixed and brought in for evaluation, to see if he was a candidate for adoption. Some time passed, but Lark found his forever home where he settled in with his new buddy, Teddy.

**Melody** was brought in as a pregnant stray. Her foster family noticed a few issues which might make it a bit harder for Melody to be adopted inside a permanent home. After careful consideration, BCCC found the purrfect place for Melody at an exclusive stable where she loves her "job" as a working cat.

**There are many cats who had serious health issues that we helped.**

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## We are their voice



Tiana

**Tiana** was rescued from a filthy basement. Our vet found she had cancerous mammary tumors.



Scruffy

**Scruffy** was a feral BCCC TNR'd, (also got bad teeth removed) who decided one cold day he wanted to live indoors with his feeder. He recently became extremely ill, beyond cure, and was humanely put to sleep.



Baby

Baby was adopted from BCCC more than ten years ago. Here she is taking a nap with her 101 year old owner, before they each passed away.



Possum

In Memorium: Possum was a tiny (5 lbs, FIV+) young cat BCCC trapped in 2007 behind a local construction company. She remained in care with our president, until this past April, after suffering significant medical issues that could not be resolved.

"Thank you, friends, from those you are helping, who cannot speak for themselves."

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**Tiana** was rescued from a filthy basement and was brought to our vet immediately, where it was found she had cancerous mammary tumors. BCCC provided her with a hospice foster home. Sadly, her tumors burst within a few days. Since she was suffering, our vet helped Tiana cross the rainbow bridge humanely.

**Baby** was adopted from BCCC more than ten years ago. After her owner passed away, BCCC prepared to take Baby back (we have a 100% return policy). Sadly, Baby had significant heart damage and massive trouble breathing. Rather than allowing her to suffer, BCCC helped decide it was best to let Baby cross the rainbow bridge.

BCCC, an all-volunteer organization, continues its original mission paying to TNR feral cats, to help those who otherwise would not receive spay or neuter services to prevent future kittens from being born into the feral cycle (and, other medical care) before being returned to their feeders. Over the past 17 years we have tnr'd thousands of ferals in multiple communities. We have a foster and adoption program for abandoned cats and kittens. BCCC also provides education and outreach to organizations and pet owners.

Thanks to the continued generosity of our supporters, BCCC is able to continue our mission. Unfortunately, our financial resources are limited—**won't you help by making a contribution to help the cats get the care they need?**

As the happy holiday season approaches for us, every abandoned and feral cat faces the season trying to survive the cold, snowy New England winter. This is an especially difficult task if a cat is weakened by injury or illness. Your gift to the veterinary fund can mean the difference between life and death for an injured cat or kitten.

**Please help by sending a donation today. We helped Dracut Sandy, Ares and Juno, Lark, and Melody, and countless ferals, but there are many other cats out there that need medical care, TLC and a warm place to recover!**

From those who cannot speak for themselves – "Thank You." We look forward to your continued support as we work together to show how we can make a difference – one cat at a time.

Sincerely,

Billerica Cat Care Coalition

Yes! I want to help other cats like Dracut Sandy, Ares and Juno, Lark, Melody, and the ferals get the care that they deserve! Enclosed is my contribution of:

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