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## Community Cat TNR Schedule

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# September 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8/28	8/29	8/30	8/31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 TNR DAY Drop off at 8:30a Pick up at 3:30p	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	10/1

Clinic Location: 1348 Parker Dr, Charlotte, NC 28208

Phone: 704-333-4130

The \$25 surgical fee per cat will be collected at check-in. TNR cats will be declined for service if this fee is not provided at check-in. Payment for all other services will be collected at check-out.

## Pricing

### Required Fees

- TNR Surgery, Rabies, Ear Tip, and Meloxicam Injection: \$25
  - Microchip included for Mecklenburg County residents
- Capstar (if fleas present): \$5
- Praziquantel (if tapeworms present): \$10

### Optional Services

- FVRCP Vaccine: \$5
- FELV/FIV Testing: \$25
- Microchip: \$12 (outside of Mecklenburg County)

### Trap Bank

- Rentals available Monday-Wednesday, 9a-2:30p
- \$10 per trap per 14 day rental period

**REMINDER FOR THESE SERVICES:** These TNR services are intended for Community Cats living around your neighborhood, not for owned cats/pet cats. Cats brought in for TNR services receive a visual exam only prior to sedation, and will not be handled until sedated for the safety of the staff and the cat. TNR cats also do not receive the secondary pain medication owned cats do as it can cause dysphoria which would be dangerous for outdoor cats.



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### **Community Cat Post Surgery Instructions**

- After surgery, a cat's body temperature will drop. Please keep their traps covered and in a warm area until released. The recovery location should be safe, secure, dry, quiet, and warm.
- It is not cruel to leave a feral cat in their trap – even for a few days. Feral cats don't react like a tame cat. They tend to remain still and in one place. They prefer to be in tighter, darker spaces. If the trap is kept covered, the cat will huddle at one end of the trap and eat at the other end.
- Place cardboard, newspapers or a towel under the trap to absorb urine and feces. Note, cats might not urinate or defecate during the first day or two of recovery.
- Carefully insert two small containers holding food and water. Deli containers work or cleaned out cat food cans. You can refill the water container through the trap grates as well as the food container if you are using dry food.
- Never attempt to handle the cat or allow the cat out, even in a very small room or garage, for its recovery period. An unsocial cat will literally “climb the walls”, doing everything it can to find a way out, and in the process can rip open its sutures.
- Cats usually need to be held for 24 hours after surgery. Cats can be returned to the trapping site 12-24 hours following surgery as long as they are fully conscious, clear-eyed, and alert.
- Once a nursing mother has completely regained consciousness, you may return her so she can get back to caring for her kittens.
- Monitor periodically to ensure the cat is breathing normally and is not bleeding from the surgical site or ear tip site.
- Check the cats often for their progress; keep an eye out for bleeding, infection, illness, and lack of appetite. If the cat is not recovering well from surgery (no longer than 48 hours) please call the Clinic, 704-333-4130.
- Once the cat is recovered, return the cat to where it was trapped.
- Pull the cover away from the back door, pull the back door up and off, then completely remove the cover and walk away. If your trap does not have a back door release, stand behind the trap and open the trap door from behind. Do not be concerned if the cat hesitates a few moments before leaving. She is simply reorienting herself to her surroundings.