

IF YOU FIND KITTENS...

Don't rush in "to the rescue" immediately. Sometimes a kitten's best chance of survival is to stay where they are.

ARE THEY IN DANGER?
Are the kittens in immediate danger (from traffic, other animals)?

YES NO

ARE THERE SIGNS OF ILLNESS?
Do the kittens appear sick or ill? Are they dirty or thin?
Do they have wounds? Are their eyes crusted shut?

YES NO

WAIT FOR MOM
Mom may be nearby. Kittens with mom have a much greater chance of survival than being in foster or at the shelter.
CHECK BACK IN TWO HOURS.
IS MOM STILL MISSING?

YES NO

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Are the kittens in immediate danger (from traffic, other animals)?

YES NO

WAIT FOR MOM
Mom may be out hunting. Or she may be close by waiting for you to leave before she goes back to her kittens.
CHECK BACK IN TWO HOURS.
IS MOM STILL MISSING?

YES NO

THESE KITTENS MAY NEED HELP.
You have options...

Bring them in. Visit hssw.org/lost-found to make an appointment.

Consider fostering. Can you provide the care and support they need? Visit hssw.org/lost-found to learn more about what kittens need.

GREAT! THESE KITTENS ARE SAFE.
Leave them where they are.

Kittens with their mom have a greater chance of survival than in foster or at the shelter.

At 8 weeks, they can be trapped and brought to HSSW to be spayed/neutered and may be returned to where they were found or may be made available for adoption.