

# Found a stray cat?

If a healthy stray cat has been visiting your property and you are concerned it may be abandoned or lost, attach this paper collar to see if they have a family.

Before attaching the collar, do not provide food to the cat or bring it into your home for 48 hours. This will encourage the cat to seek out its home, if it has one. A healthy cat will not be harmed by lack of food for this period.

## Simple Instructions

- Print this template
- Write your phone number on the space provided
- Cut the collar on the dotted line
- Have a piece of clear tape within easy reach
- Place the collar around the cat's neck. Overlap the ends so it fits snugly and secure with tape. The collar should be loose enough to fit two fingers between the cat's neck and the collar.
- If the cat is cared for, the owner will hopefully call you. If you haven't received a response within one week from someone who claims responsibility for the cat, they are likely a community cat.

This cat has been visiting my property and I wonder if it may be a stray. Please contact me if it belongs to you. Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please visit [hssw.org/communitycats](https://www.hssw.org/communitycats) for more information about community cats and how to deter them from your property.