

Can you help us?

Please tell us your intentions

Your answers to the questions below will avoid information being sent out to you that you do not require. Please be reassured that no statement about leaving a Legacy can be legally binding and that a Will can be changed at any time.

Thank you for your help.

☐ I have already included
International Cat Care in my Will

☐ I intend to include
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People remember **International Cat Care** with a Legacy for all sorts of reasons. We would love to know yours. If you would like to share it with us, please do so here:

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How did you hear about this brochure?

- ☐ Received in *CatCare* magazine
- ☐ Received in *Journal of Feline Medicine and Surgery*
- ☐ In a mailing from **International Cat Care**
- ☐ At a conference
- ☐ On the **International Cat Care** website
- ☐ Via a friend
- ☐ Other



How could your Legacy help cats?

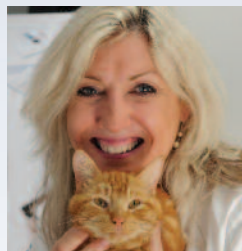


Our vision

All cats, owned or unowned, are treated with care, compassion and understanding



A Legacy to International Cat Care – helping cats everywhere



If, like us, you care deeply about cats, then you know there is a great deal to be done to improve the way they are treated around the world.

There is too much cruelty, suffering and neglect, but you can make a huge difference – not just to the lives of a handful of cats today, but to millions of cats now and in the future.

A Legacy to International Cat Care will help make that difference.

Claire Bessant, Chief Executive (and Chilli)

Handwritten signature of Claire Bessant.



“International Cat Care is the one organisation that blends the needs and concerns of the cat community, cat owners and cat welfare together with veterinarians in a supportive and collaborative way. The charity has a huge role to play in the future of cat welfare”

Nicolette Joosting, Canada, feline veterinarian

Trap, neuter and return (TNR) – helping street cats

Life on the streets for unowned cats is tough. Cats reproduce effectively, and very sadly large numbers can be viewed as a nuisance. Some local authority methods for controlling cat numbers can be brutal and inhumane. Many also die of disease and persecution. Most street kittens do not make it past their first year.

Surgical neutering is currently the only practical, humane and ethical way to permanently prevent cats having kittens, so International Cat Care trains vets and volunteers to trap, neuter and return feral and street cats.

Your Legacy can extend our work further through both educational resources and practical training – helping many thousands of cats worldwide each year.



Finding a better way...

Currently, trap, neuter and return is the best option for humane control of street and feral cat populations. But simpler and easier solutions are desperately needed to manage the scale of the problem and to avoid the need for surgical operations.

International Cat Care is working with other experts to find a humane, non-surgical solution to population control – a major breakthrough that will vastly improve the lives of millions of cats worldwide.

Your Legacy will help to fund vital investigations into non-surgical feline contraception. The right product and the right delivery method will make a massive difference to cat welfare and will prevent kittens being born to die.



“ International Cat Care's welfare course was a vital step in promoting TNR, which is now officially allowed by Lithuanian animal welfare laws. Who would believe that one day a city cat with a tipped ear, to show it has been neutered, would be protected by the law. It is a huge achievement for cats ”

Brigita Kymantaitė PIFAS, Lithuania. Winner of the International Cat Care/Ceva Welfare Award 2015



“ If we genuinely want to help cats around the world, then we have to do something different that reaches more cats more effectively than our current efforts. We are ready to take that next step ”

Dr Andy Sparkes, Veterinary Director
International Cat Care

Helping vets to excel at treating cats



The International Society of Feline Medicine (ISFM) is the veterinary division of International Cat Care.

ISFM provides veterinarians, nurses and technicians with essential information and education to deal with feline patients. This is achieved through journals, distance education, conferences, e-learning and other resources. Together, this provides education to raise the standards of veterinary care for cats around the world.



Thanks to ISFM, I have improved my cat skills and am able to pass my feline knowledge on to other veterinarians in my country. This is one of the cats I have been treating for hyperthyroidism using a novel treatment not previously carried out here. Without that, he would already be dead

Martina Načeradská, Czech Republic, veterinarian



Making veterinary care less stressful for cats

Cats find veterinary visits stressful, but our Cat Friendly Clinic campaign is changing that. We encourage understanding, empathy, and handling techniques which help reduce stress. The experience for cats, owners and veterinary staff is transformed. There are already over 1000 accredited Cat Friendly Clinics around the world.

Our Easy to Give awards encourage pharmaceutical companies to produce medicines in a form which is easy for owners to give to their cats to ensure they are able to deliver the best treatment.

Your Legacy will help us get closer to our goal of making every clinic cat friendly, and making treatments for cats easier for everyone.





Promoting better understanding of cat health and behaviour for owners

The International Cat Care website provides reliable and trusted information for all cat owners and is used by over 2.5 million people worldwide. Other websites may have inaccurate or even dangerous advice on cat care. Our site is both accurate and comprehensive, and allows owners to understand cat health, behaviours and illness – everything your cat would want you to know!

Your Legacy will help ensure our website remains at the cutting edge of feline knowledge and reaches even more people to help them care for and understand their much-loved cats.

www.icatcare.org

Helping people who work with cats

International Cat Care provides education for cat professionals who work with cats as breeders, cattery owners, behaviourists, or welfare and rescue workers.

Our Listed Cattery Scheme has vastly improved the standard of boarding catteries. Our advice, courses and guidelines have reduced stress and the spread of disease in rescue facilities, and we work towards ethical breeding of pedigree cats.

Your Legacy will help us to reach more cat professionals around the world, to help them care for cats with knowledge, understanding and compassion.



I knew the International Cat Care course would be amazing to do – it has enhanced the relationships I have with my own cats, and in my work I am sharing my learning with 230 members of our local cat group and reassuring many owners in our local community as well

Karen Mercer, UK student on the International Cat Care Cat Professional Course

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the following forms and
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International Cat Care

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Tisbury
Wiltshire
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UK



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Tipping the left ear of a feral or street cat (when it is under anaesthesia for neutering) is a universally accepted (and easy to spot) sign that it is neutered and does not need to be trapped again, and that it is part of a managed cat colony.

We would also like to thank the following photographers:
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Can we help you?

Send for a copy of our free guide

An up-to-date Will is vital if you want your wishes to be respected. We have created a simple Will-making guide which includes answers to the questions people most frequently ask when making a Will. We would be very happy to send you a complimentary copy.

Please complete your details below and return this form to us.

Title Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr

First name

Surname

Address

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Postcode

- ☐ Please send me a copy of **International Cat Care's Guide to Wills and Legacies**
- ☐ I would like to speak to someone from **International Cat Care** about my Will or leaving a Legacy – my phone number is:

Return address

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