## TCAP Feral Cat Program

## What is a feral cat?

A feral cat is a cat that is untamed and was born in the wild. Feral cats live outdoors in colonies and do not appear to be friendly when approached. Feral cats can multiply quickly.

TCAP offers a free feral cat sterilization program to help control the feral cat population.

## Requirements:

- Come in a live trap. One cat only per trap is allowed.
- Be brought to a TCAP operated facility. TCAP remote, shelter clinic locations are not included in this program.
- Receive a rabies vaccine for \$5
- Receive an ear tip at the time of sterilization (pictured to right)



No appointment is necessary, but we encourage caretakers to call ahead to ensure sterilizations are being done at their preferred location on their chosen date. We admit ferals for surgery on a walk-in basis from 8 AM to 9 AM. TCAP is able to accept the first twelve (12) that arrive. Sterilized cats will be ready for pick up the same day at a time established during check in

No more than four (4) feral cats can be brought in at a time by each caretaker. To allow enough time for scheduled appointments, caretakers with more than four (4) ferals or cats beyond the first twelve (12), may be declined for surgery that day or will be charged full price if time allows for their sterilization. The free feral program is not offered at remote, shelter locations where TCAP may work.

Extra fees may apply if the cat is in heat, pregnant, or a cryptorchid.

TCAP's feral cat program assists in controlling the population in feral cat colonies. It is not intended for domesticated cats kept as pets. An appointment for sedation (\$20) is required for any feral cat brought back to TCAP post-sterilization for vaccinations.

TCAP does not offer surgeries at any of its clinic locations on the last Wednesday of each month.

We encourage all caretakers to contact their local city as there may be city ordinances in place regarding feral cat colonies.

