

## Foster Focus

**Feline Superstar: Mr. Pibb, celebrity diplomat, changes the world for cats.**

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It's not every day that you see a cat happily trotting on a noisy treadmill with his tail in the air. But Mr. Gregory Xavier Pibb isn't just another cat, and he's not just trying to keep trim for his adoring fans. The 9-month-old foster cat is the official mascot of the Washington Humane Society (WHS) and is blossoming into a celebrity who demonstrates the shelter's unique behavior and training approaches to help animals overcome fears and build confidence. But it doesn't stop there — Mr. Pibb also is the star of WHS' humane education and training efforts with children, foster parents and military veterans alike. He even takes time out of his busy schedule to help socialize rescued cats. He's an icon in-the-making, and, with his tuxedo coat always clean and shiny, he's ready for the spotlight.

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