

Cats Find Refuge at No-Kill Shelter

The Help Humane Society has found homes for more than 200 cats since the shelter opened last fall.

The Help Humane Society in Belton, Mo., dedicated its shelter Saturday, reported the Kansas City Star. The Help Humane Society, a nonprofit organization that was founded in 1997, opened the shelter in October. Up until then, the organization operated without one.

The 4,000-square-foot facility currently has 53 cats and three dogs. There are six rooms where cats can roam free and a separate room for cats to recover from surgery. The shelter is also staffed almost around the clock, the newspaper reported.

We are a no-kill shelter, said Cyndi Dill, Help Humane Societys executive director. We don't know how long we will have them. This may be their home for years. So we want to give them the love, attention and care they deserve.

The society has placed more than 200 cats in homes since the shelter opened, but it said that more adoptions are needed since it expects an increase of kittens this spring.

Its mating season, Dill said. So kitten season is about to hit. Within a month, kittens will need homes. Some lose their moms, so we have to bottle-feed them.

The society currently has five staff members and 65 volunteers.

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