

## Cats Stranded by Tornado in Kansas

**Animal rescuers continue to find stranded cats living amid the rubble in Greensburg and Pratt County.**

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More than a month after a tornado went through Greensburg, Kan., animal rescuers continue to trap cats living in the ruins of family homes. The stranded cats are being cared for at the Pratt County Humane Society so that they can be reclaimed by their families.

On June 6, animal rescuers found eight stranded cats in the rubble left by the severe tornado. The day before, shelter workers trapped seven cats. These animals joined 46 other pet cats and dogs recovered from the destroyed homes during the last month.

“Many people assumed that their cats got blown away by the tornado,” said Carman Simon, program consultant for the Animal Facility Inspection Program of the Kansas Animal Health Department. “But now that we are setting traps, they are coming out of the debris and they are hungry. It’s obvious that many of them have families because they are so friendly.”

Pet owners can visit the Pratt County Humane Society to look for lost cats. The shelter will keep the rescued cats separate from other adoptable animals until June 15 to allow owners to reclaim their pets. After that date, the cats will be made available for adoption.

For more information, call the Pratt County Humane Society at (316) 672-6777.