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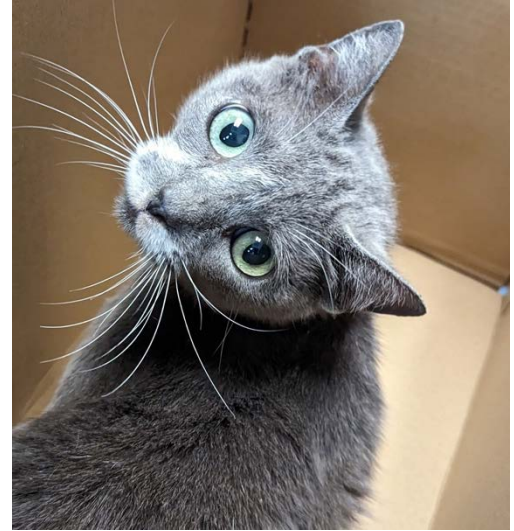Nina Thompson
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Cats Rescued from Hoarding Case Available for Adoption
San Diego Humane Society at 175% Capacity as it enters June: Adopt a Shelter Cat Month

SAN DIEGO — June is Adopt a Shelter Cat Month, and this year it is more important than ever for San Diego Humane Society to get the word out about adopting a feline friend! With a total of 1,310 cats in care, the organization is at 175% capacity for cats. One of the many reasons the organization is so full includes a recent case where 58 cats were rescued and brought to the shelter from a home in City Heights.

The cats were found living in deplorable conditions inside a house in the 2,300 block of Modesto St. They were rescued by San Diego Humane Society's Humane Law Enforcement on May 5, 2023 after a neighbor reached out for help. San Diego Humane Society's Humane Officers and medical team immediately transported the cats to its campuses in El Cajon, Oceanside and San Diego for triage and care. In addition to basic spay/neuter surgeries, vaccines and other wellness treatments, several cats needed advanced medical care, including eye removals, treatment for upper respiratory infection and dental surgery.

"This is the perfect example of see something, say something," said Lt. Regina Price with San Diego Humane Society's Humane Law Enforcement. "The owner had been hospitalized for several weeks, and the assigned caretaker was not able to visit the property. A very sad result of miscommunication."

Anyone who needs help caring for their pets can contact San Diego Humane Society for assistance. For more information, visit sdhumane.org. **If you suspect animal cruelty or neglect in your neighborhood, please report it to San Diego Humane Society by calling 619-299-7012 (press 1 to report animal abuse).**

Staff have named the rescued cats after famous authors — such as Dr. Seuss, Ernest Hemingway and Jane Austen — as well as hockey teams. At least 36 cats from the rescue are still available for adoption. Organization-wide, San Diego Humane Society has 149 cats looking for new homes.

San Diego Humane Society is open for walk-in adoptions Tuesday – Sunday, from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at its campuses in Escondido, El Cajon, Oceanside and San Diego. Visit sdhumane.org/adopt to view animals available for adoption.

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About San Diego Humane Society
San Diego Humane Society's scope of social responsibility goes beyond adopting animals. We offer programs that strengthen the human-animal bond, prevent cruelty and neglect, provide medical care, educate the community and serve as a safety net for all pet families. Serving San Diego County since 1880, San Diego Humane Society has campuses in El Cajon, Escondido, Oceanside, Ramona and San Diego. For more information, please visit sdhumane.org. Follow the SDHS Media Relations department on Twitter @sdhumane.

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