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## **Kittens Survive Drive from Northern California Inside 60-Foot Steel Column**

*Construction workers surprised to find litter on truck*

**SAN DIEGO** — Construction workers were shocked to discover a litter of kittens stowed away on their truck after driving from Hayward, Calif. to San Diego. The employees of DPR Construction were at the site of the future Kaiser Permanente Clairemont Mesa Medical Offices when they heard meows coming from a 60-foot steel column.



The employees tried coaxing the kittens out with food, but eventually had to tip the column to get to them. Five kittens slid out, and the construction workers called San Diego Humane Society for help. Humane Officers picked up the one-week old kittens and transferred them to the SDHS Kitten Nursery for 24-hour care. The kittens, who are now four weeks old, are named after construction tools and materials. The three males and two females are Crowbar, Rebar, Chisel, Jackhammer and Piper.

The kittens are gaining weight and doing well in foster care. They will remain in foster homes until they are about eight weeks old, at which time they will be put up for adoption.

**B-roll and photos of the kittens are available here:** <http://bit.ly/2WKof06>.

**Suggested Tweet:** Construction workers were shocked to discover a litter of kittens stowed away on their truck after driving from Hayward, Calif. to a future @KPSanDiego medical office. The kittens were taken to the @sdhumane Kitten Nursery and are now growing up in foster homes.

### **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 located in Escondido, Oceanside and San Diego. For more information; please visit [sdhumane.org](http://sdhumane.org).

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