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Good Samaritan's Quick Actions Help Save Lives of Stray Kittens ARL Staff, Volunteers Take Extraordinary Measures

A pair of two-week-old kittens are on the road to recovery, after extraordinary efforts were made by a responsible citizen, and Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) staff and volunteers.

The male and female kittens were discovered by a Hyde Park resident this past weekend, who appeared to have been abandoned by their mother. Once contacting ARL, a volunteer met the woman at her home, and while the male kitten was bright, alert, and responsive, the same could not be said for the female, as she was ice cold, lethargic, and had labored breathing.

Wrapping the kittens in a blanket and placed on top of a bottle filled with warm water, the volunteer raced the kittens back to ARL's Boston Animal Care and Adoption Center. The kittens were warmed up, given subcutaneous fluids, and were bottle-fed with kitten milk formula.

Needing extra attention, the volunteer took the kittens home overnight, continued to feed them, and monitored their progress until 5 a.m.

In the 12-18 hours after being found, the condition of both kittens vastly improved, and while not out of the woods yet, the unnamed kittens are steadily progressing and will remain in foster care for several more weeks until they are ready to be made available for adoption.

The quick actions by the Hyde Park resident helped save the lives of these two kittens, and ARL reminds the public that if they see an animal in distress to contact ARL directly at 617-426-9170.

ABOUT THE ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON:

The Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is an unwavering champion for animals in need, committed to keeping them safe and healthy in habitats and homes. Founded in 1899, ARL provides high quality veterinary care, adoption, and rescue services; while also confronting the root causes of animal cruelty and neglect through innovative community programs, police investigations, and public advocacy. In 2016, ARL served more than 17,800 animals throughout Massachusetts. ARL is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. We receive no government funding and rely solely on the generosity of individuals to support programs and services that help animals in need. For more information please visit us online at www.arlboston.org; and be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

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