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ARL Takes in Nearly 70 Cats from Overcrowding Situations

Cats undergoing medical care, should be available for adoption soon

This past week the Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) took in nearly 70 cats from two separate overcrowding situations, and reminds the public that should they or anyone they know be in a situation where they are unable to care for their animals to reach out to ARL for assistance.

The animals are being cared for at ARL's Boston and Brewster locations and we invite members of the media to see some of the animals and to learn more about these situations.

Media Availability

When: Tuesday, January 24 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Where: ARL's Boston Animal Care and Adoption Center, 10 Chandler St., Boston

Early last week ARL's Field Services Department assisted a resident in Norfolk County to remove 48 cats from the residence. The person in need had inherited the animals from a close relative, and because of the urgency of the situation, ARL was able to respond the same day the resident reached out for assistance. The cats involved were intact and breeding, and most of the animals from this situation are under a year old.

Once transported to ARL's Boston Animal Care and Adoption Center, the animals received veterinary care, and many, particularly the litters of kittens, have been placed into ARL's vast foster care network, where they will stay until they are ready to find new homes. The cats

remaining at ARL's Boston location will continue to receive medical and behavioral care until they are ready to find new homes.

Through ARL's <u>Healthy Moms</u>, <u>Happy Litters Program</u>, one cat was neutered and returned, as he holds a special place in the hearts of the family involved.

The second situation involved ARL removing 20 cats from a home in Bristol County. ARL had been working with a resident who was looking to rehome some of the cats from the home for several months, but unfortunately the resident recently passed away and the family requested that all the cats be removed from the home.

The family had been working with animal control in their town, so while many of the animals had been spayed or neutered, some are older and will need further medical and behavioral evaluations before being made available for adoption.

While these cats are currently unavailable for adoption, ARL hopes to have these cats ready to find new homes soon, but there is no timeline on when this may happen.

ARL reminds the public that If you or someone you know is overwhelmed by having too many animals in their home, there is help available.

You can contact local animal control, or ARL's <u>Field Services Department</u> for assistance. ARL approaches every overcrowding situation with respect, compassion, and a staunch commitment to ensuring the health and safety of the animals involved, as well as their caretakers.

For photos of the cats, click the Dropbox link below:

https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/8dv4tzlc8opx1oony0imx/h?dl=0&rlkey=xc2rjpngce3n8pi6iifwupzqo

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 2022, ARL served 20,601 animals throughout Massachusetts. ARL is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. The Animal Rescue League of Boston does not receive government grants or public funding and relies on the generosity of our supporters to help animals in need. For more information please visit us online at arlboston.org; and be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.