

**ANIMAL
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of BOSTON**



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Stray Kitten Discovered in Car Engine Compartment

Kitten now in care of ARL

This past week, a nine-week-old kitten was brought to the Animal Rescue League of Boston's (ARL) Dedham Animal Care and Adoption Center after a car mechanic discovered the little guy hiding in the engine compartment of a vehicle.

Once the kitten was discovered at Mavis Tire and Brakes, Dedham Animal Control was contacted and the officer was able to safely capture the kitten, thus ending his harrowing adventure. Thankfully the kitten was not injured or burned while the car was in motion.

After a little clean-up to remove the motor oil from his fur, the kitten, now named Mavis, was transported to ARL to undergo a veterinary exam and be placed into foster care until he's old enough to find a loving home.

Although timid, Mavis is a sweet and friendly kitten, who is sure to be a wonderful companion animal and will now be an indoor-only cat to avoid future car adventures.

It's unknown how Mavis ended up in the engine compartment, but it's likely he was spooked by something and was seeking a seemingly safe place to hide. During the winter it's common to come across an animal in an engine compartment as outdoor cats are drawn to the warmth. However, it is very uncommon to find an animal in this precarious position during the summer months, and ARL would like to thank Dedham Animal Control and Mavis Tire and Brakes for finding and rescuing this animal who will soon begin the next chapter of his life.

For photos of Mavis, click the Dropbox link below:

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/nv1hosckbgeltyyus50p/AIsRzPipuhBxVwwDmsj7pwY?rlkey=093ufni7ib7zwyhdoujy8efo&st=i86ogvoi&dl=0>

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 2023, ARL served 20,964 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](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Instagram](#).

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