

**ANIMAL  
RESCUE  
LEAGUE  
of BOSTON**



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## **ARL Takes in 25 Cats in Two Separate Overcrowding Situations**

*ARL is a resource when pet owners overwhelmed*

In the past two weeks, the Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) has taken in 25 cats through two separate overcrowding situations where the owners were overwhelmed by the number of animals in the home. The cats are will be made available for adoption soon, however, situations like this put a strain on ARL's resources and the organization is asking the public for assistance to provide the care and support these animals need.

Both instances of overcrowding are due to lack of accessible and/or low-cost spay and neuter services. Once the cats began reproducing, the numbers quickly spiraled out of control for the owners, who then reached out to ARL for assistance.

ARL worked with the owners to safely corral the cats, and then transported them to ARL's Boston Animal Care & Adoption Center for medical care. While it is common to see upper respiratory infections and under-socialization in cats from overcrowding situations, these cats were healthy, well cared for, and the majority of the animals are incredibly friendly and social. They are receiving vaccinations, spay/neuter surgery, and will soon be available for adoption.

ARL is prepared to help anyone who has too many animals in the home, as the organization works with the pet owners to find a solution that works best for both the animals and people involved.

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please visit [arlboston.org](http://arlboston.org) for more information or call (617) 426-9170.

A sudden large intake of animals strains ARL's limited resources, as care for these animals is already well into the thousands. Anyone interested in supporting ARL and the ongoing care for these cats and animals like them can visit <https://arl.boston/25cats>.

For photos of these animals, please click the Dropbox link below:

[https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/9hrvqfjz31blpuhqjai8h/APUcZ8hLv6c3IEs\\_hvyXpSw?rlkey=3wtносih25akrkltvpu7y5lfp&st=d8q6r6ry&dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/9hrvqfjz31blpuhqjai8h/APUcZ8hLv6c3IEs_hvyXpSw?rlkey=3wtносih25akrkltvpu7y5lfp&st=d8q6r6ry&dl=0)

#### **ABOUT THE ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON:**

**Pets are family. This belief is at the heart of everything we do at the Animal Rescue League of Boston.** ARL is the first female-founded animal welfare organization in Massachusetts and is proud to carry on a legacy of kindness and compassion, helping more than 20,000 animals annually since 1899. Recognized for innovative, award-winning programs that go beyond sheltering, ARL addresses the root causes of the issues facing animals and the people who love them. By partnering with communities, ARL helps animals heal and thrive, keeps pets and people together, and protects animals from harm. Because there is no government funding for this important work, animals must rely on people like you to get the care they need, when they need it most, 365 days a year. For more information, visit [arlboston.org](http://arlboston.org) and follow ARL on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Instagram](#).

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