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# A Message From the Director

Paying homage to our roots while paving the way for our future

#### Dear Friends,

It is my honor and pleasure to provide you with an update on the exciting activities that we have been involved with this past year. In my first annual report as Director, I would like to start off by thanking the faculty, trainees, staff, and administration of the Cornell Feline Health Center and College of Veterinary Medicine, our Advisory Council members, and our supporters near and far for their work, passion, and efforts.

Our current success is reliant upon the strong foundation laid by the hard work of our predecessors, our ability to efficiently apply our resources through education, outreach, and support of discovery and health delivery today, and our ability to lay a solid foundation for the future. This report highlights the importance of these three pillars of achievement, and how we strive to build them.

This year marks the 10th Anniversary of the passing of Dr. Jim Richards, the much loved and respected former Director of the Center, who laid the groundwork for so many of our current accomplishments. We are very thankful to have Dr. Richards' son, Seth, provide a tribute to his late father. This heartfelt remembrance warms our hearts and brings back memories of our favorite "kitty doctor". We are sure it will bring similar fond memories to you, our supporters, as we all take a moment to be thankful for having been touched by Jim's kindness and dedication.

We are proud to highlight a few of our innovative activities for you. Our Cats for Comfort program is just one example of the many activities in which we are involved daily. These and many other initiatives allow us to impact the well-being of cats, and those who love them, by providing the information and support that we have become recognized for.

The report highlights our focus on laying a strong foundation to continue improving the lives of all cats for the long haul. New discoveries are the bases for breakthroughs in feline health. The Center has thus expanded its grants program, building and maintaining capacity in vital feline health research at Cornell's College of Veterinary Medicine.

We recognize that none of our activities would be possible without the dedicated support of our benefactors. We share the positive impact of planned giving on the future success of the Center, highlighting the recent generous bequest of Laura and Doug Wolford and paying tribute to Ann Hardy, another of our stalwart supporters whose bequest came to fruition upon her untimely passing. These generous supporters have entrusted us with the responsibility of utilizing their gifts to improve feline well-being. We are humbled by this trust and take the responsibility it brings with it very seriously.

Thank you very much for your continued support. We look forward to working together with you to make our world a better place for all cats, today and into the future.

With my warmest regards,

Luis M. Schang, MV, PhD

Director

# Jim Richards' Legacy

A Son's Tribute to "The Famous Dr. Richards" | By Seth Richards

As children, my brother and I nicknamed my dad "The Famous Dr. Richards." His many television appearances and speaking engagements esteemed him in our minds as an important celebrity. In spite of his children's pride, my dad's modesty prescribed that no event or media appearance was too amateurish or unworthy of him: from judging a children's cat show to taking calls on a local cable access program while wrangling an uncooperative, camera-shy kitten. His reward was evident: for a man who must have held hundreds of cats throughout his lifetime, his eyes never failed to light up with one draped across his arms. This radiance was characteristic of all his interactions, and commended him to feline and human alike.

Only my childhood cat, a cantankerous 20-pound orange tabby incongruously named Little Tail, regarded my dad with disdain and spurned his attentions. My dad joked that Little Tail instinctively begrudged the man responsible for his neuter.

When my dad passed away ten years ago, my family received scores of tender, heartfelt condolences from people who acutely mourned his loss and celebrated his life. Every note depicted the same man I knew: a man whose ready laugh affirmed life's many joys in the midst of its quixotic travails, a man whose graciousness and wisdom readily turned stranger into friend, and a man whose abiding affection for cats was only surpassed by his love of their human caretakers.

I know he would be humbled by the good work that the Cornell Feline Health Center continues to do in his honor and for the sake of our feline friends—even ones as testy as Little Tail.





"I largely credit Jim for many of the ways I interact with veterinary colleagues and cat owners. Jim's personality was a fine example of how to communicate and cooperate. He treated everyone with respect and collegiality, and knew personal details of cats and their owners who found it very endearing when he would remember them. He saw the good in every person and cat, and I learned a great deal from him."

- Paul Maza, DVM, PhD Camuti Consultant and former FHC Co-Director

"I remember Dr. Richards' smile and how much he and Dr. Mew bonded. If Dr. Richards wasn't paying enough attention to Dr. Mew, he would start crumpling up the papers on his desk with his claws to show his disdain. I also recall hearing him share how he would take a homeless person to dinner and converse with them. I think he even did this sometimes when he was out of town. He had a soft spot and would always take time to help someone in need. I also remember how we were inundated with calls and letters from donors and others who knew Dr. Richards professionally when they learned of his passing. All were grieving his loss, even people who only knew of him and had never met him."

- Sheryl Thomas Former FHC Staff Member

"Jim Richards was one of the finest individuals I have ever met." Scripture tells us that the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and selfcontrol. Jim attempted very successfully to live his life such that these characteristics could shine through him and touch the lives of everyone he met.

Jim had many, many media contacts. For many cat owners, he was the face of Cornell University. He was a natural in front of a camera or a microphone, not promoting himself in any way in his sincere humility, but promoting the health and welfare of cats, or his 'kitties' as he called them.

Jim became very active in the American Association of Feline Practitioners, or AAFP. In due time, he became a board member, and then became President. Jim became the 'go to' guy for AAFP. When a program needed to be pulled together, when a panel on vaccines or feline leukemia testing needed to be organized and the recommendations published, Jim was the one to organize the meetings and write up the reports.

I've always said that one of the best things I ever did at Cornell was to hire Jim Richards to be part of, and eventually Director of, the Cornell Feline Health Center. His legacy continues to shine in the field of feline medicine."

- Fred Scott, DVM, PhD FHC Founder and former Director

# Research Grant Updates

Supporting discovery science focused on improving the lives of cats



#### Targeting Tec kinase to enhance anti-tumor activity of feline CD8+ cells Avery August, PhD

Cancer, a condition defined by abnormal control of cell growth, is a major cause of feline illness. Between 0.1 and 0.5% of all cats in the general population carry some cancer, and in most cases, cats diagnosed with cancer will have shorter lifespans and lower quality of life than their cancer-free counterparts. While a variety of therapeutic options, including chemotherapy, radiation therapy, and surgery, have been helpful in improving the lifespans and quality of life of feline cancer patients, their effectiveness is often limited by side-effects, a lack of understanding of mechanisms of cancer growth, the requirement for anesthesia, or cost.

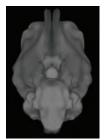
Recently, the prospect of recruiting a patient's immune system to treat cancer has shown promise as a new tool in our ability to treat patients. This project is investigating the possibility of modifying the activity of a protein called Tec kinase in the immune cells of cats in an effort to increase their ability to target and destroy a variety of feline cancers.

#### Advanced magnetic resonance imaging in the normal feline brain

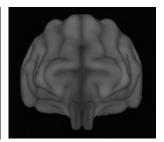
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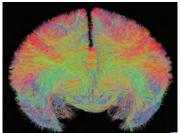
Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), which uses magnetic fields to image the inside of the body, has revolutionized the diagnosis and management of a number of diseases that were previously difficult to identify in clinical patients.

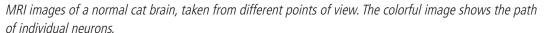
The brain is one region of the body that MRI has provided dramatic improvements in our ability to image, but we still know little about the normal structure of the feline brain using MRI. This study is focused on using this advanced imaging technique to characterize normal feline brain structure, information which is required to then diagnose structural abnormalities in the brains of cats with a variety of diseases.















### The role of Hedgehog signaling in feline oral squamous cell carcinoma

Angela McCleary-Wheeler, DVM, PhD | Jeanine Peters-Kennedy, BS, DVM

Squamous cell carcinomas account for approximately 1 in 10 of all feline cancers, and of these, approximately one third are found within the oral cavity, making this the most common oral cancer in cats. Oral squamous cell carcinoma is an extremely aggressive form of cancer that carries a routinely poor prognosis in cats, and effective therapies to combat this dreadful disease are extremely limited.

This study is investigating the role of a series of intracellular proteins, part of a metabolic pathway called the Hedgehog pathway, in the development of feline oral squamous cell carcinoma. Characterization of the mechanism of how this aggressive cancer forms in cats helps to improve our ability to diagnose and treat it.

#### Analyzing feline sepsis: why are cats not small dogs?

Robert Goggs, BVSc, PhD | Marjorie Brooks, DVM | Dan Fletcher, DVM, PhD | Bruce Kornreich, DVM, PhD | Jo-Annie Letendre, DVM

Sepsis is a condition in which the body's immune response to an infection results in tissue damage, organ failure, and commonly death. Recognition of sepsis in cats is challenging, and delayed therapy in cats presenting with this condition can make the difference between life and death.

The goal of this study is to identify markers of feline sepsis, using samples obtained from clinical cases at the Cornell University Hospital for Animals. Identification of these markers helps improve our ability to diagnose sepsis in cats, thereby facilitating more rapid initiation of therapy and promoting improved survival in cats affected by this potentially life-threatening condition.



### Discovery of loci affecting blood phenotypes and diabetes risk in domestic cats

Adam Boyko, PhD | Tracy Stokol, BVSc, PhD

Measurement of a variety of cell types and proteins in the blood of cats (i.e. red blood cells, white blood cells, liver and pancreatic enzymes) is commonly used during routine screenings and to evaluate cats with a variety of diseases including diabetes mellitus (diabetes), an extremely common endocrine disease that has negative effects on quality of life and longevity of affected cats. An understanding of the genetic basis of variability of these cells and proteins, and of the association of this variability with a variety of diseases that commonly affect cats, including diabetes, has the potential to dramatically improve the diagnosis and treatment of cats with these conditions.

This project is using advanced molecular biological (i.e. DNA and RNA based) techniques to find the role of genetics in the development and variability of a variety of feline blood cells and proteins, and in the risk for the development of diabetes in cats.

# The Power of Bequests

The Douglas & Laura Wolford Nine Long Lives Fund

"Every day we had with our little girls was a priceless gift," say Laura and Doug Wolford of Athena and SallyCat, who passed away recently at 18 and 21 ½ years of age, respectively. "No matter what struggles they faced as they grew older, each and every day they gave us more love, more joy, and more sweetness. They were quite creative in finding new ways to accommodate the changes brought about by aging, and so open to living and loving in the most remarkable ways. So we felt that giving to help older cats and the people who love them enjoy the longest possible time together seemed like a natural thing to do."

Inspired by Sally and Athena, the Wolfords decided to include Cornell in their estate plan with a significant bequest to establish The Douglas & Laura Wolford Nine Long Lives Fund. The focus of the fund will be researching and disseminating information on genetic markers and other characteristics of older healthy cats to determine how these cats achieved long and healthy lives, feline pain recognition and management, emerging therapies and mobility enhancement, and the identification, presentation, and treatment of the most common causes of disease in older cats. These focus areas all aim to extend cats' lives in the most healthy, positive, and happy ways possible.

"Cornell is doing pioneering work in feline geriatrics — combining science and sensitivity," the Wolfords add. "It's a real joy to know that our gift will be used wisely and well."

Laura and Doug were first introduced to the Center almost ten years ago when Dr. Marcus Brown of the Nova Cat Clinic in Arlington, Virginia, made a charitable gift in memory of their much-beloved cat, Toby, as part of the Cornell Feline Health Center's Clinic Memorial Giving Program. Intrigued by the notion of helping cats and kittens, and eager to better understand their care and development, they researched the Center and began making regular annual gifts, now augmented by their bequest.

And the Wolfords are taking another step — they are exploring the creation of a matching gift program to encourage others to join them in supporting the Cornell Feline Health Center.



Sally at her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday party, celebrating with her gifts, cards, pinwheels, and dinner.



Athena, celebrating her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday in one of her favorite party dresses, a Hello Kitty moto-inspired frock.



# Opportunities for Support

How to help us fulfill our mission of improving the lives of cats

These are only a few of the ways you can help us fulfill our mission. For a complete listing of ways you can get involved, visit cornellcats.org.

#### The Cayuga Society

The Cornell Feline Health Center has a long history of achievement in improving the lives of cats, but none of this work would be possible without the generous support of our donors. Friends like you are a vital part of our team. By working together, the possibilities for making the world a better place for cats are boundless.

There are a number of ways in which supporters can help us, and a very important one is arranging a bequest in support of the Center, to be disbursed upon the passing of a donor. Such a gift allows donors to establish a legacy of support for our mission, an act of kindness that allows the donor to rest assured that their passion for cats will survive while supporting work that benefits all cats.

Over 100 cat lovers have named Cornell's Feline Health Center in their estate plans, becoming members of the Cayuga Society, which recognizes those who have shared their plans. If you have named the Center in your will and have not yet notified Cornell, please be in touch with Ms. Amy Robinson to discuss your hopes and dreams for providing for other cats now and into the future. She can be reached at amy.robinson@cornell.edu or 607.253.3742 or by writing to her care of the Center, at Box 39, Ithaca, New York, 14853.

#### Giving Where the Need is Greatest

An unrestricted gift allows the Center to focus its resources on the educational, research, or outreach activities prioritized with respect to having the highest potential impact on the well-being of cats. Please visit vet.cornell.edu/FHC and click on Giving/Membership or call 607.253.3093.

#### Memorial Program for Feline Companions

Honor the memory of a beloved feline friend by making a gift to this program. For more information, visit vet.cornell.edu/FHC/giving/memorial.cfm or call 607.253.3093.



### Elizabeth's Wish List

Helping less fortunate cats live better, healthier lives

Elizabeth has been the Center's ambassador for many years now and has compiled her most recent Wish List items to share with her friends and loyal supporters. If you are able to lend a helping paw, Elizabeth and her feline friends appreciate all gifts, great and small!

If you would like to purchase one of these items, please contact our Office of Alumni Affairs and Development: 607.253.3093 or vetfriends@cornell.edu, or donate online at vet.cornell.edu/FHC/giving, letting us know which item you would like to purchase.

Thank you on behalf of cats everywhere!



#### Maddie's Shelter Medicine Program™

The Maddie's Shelter Medicine Program at Cornell provides direct care to homeless animals in regional shelters, consultation to shelters nationally and internationally, and shelter medicine training to veterinary students, veterinarians, and shelter staff.

- Surgivet anesthesia monitor for shelter cats - \$1,200
- Radioactive iodine treatment for one shelter cat with hyperthyroidism -\$1,500
- Anesthesia machine for shelter-based surgical training clinic - \$5,000
- Digital dental x-ray unit for shelter cat dentistry - \$18,000

#### CVM's Community Practice Service

CVM's Community Practice Service is collaborating with Shelter Outreach Services, a non-profit organization that conducts a high quality, high volume spay and neuter program. The following items can be shared by both programs and will decrease the stress levels of their feline patients, enhance the safety and handling of its patients, and provide quality medical care including accurate drug dosing and anesthetic monitoring. Items are listed in order of priority.

- Squeeze cage \$400
- Baby scale \$275
- Clam \$150
- Surgical warming system \$3,200
- Hot water pump \$450
- Pulse oximeter \$475
- Pulse oximeter veterinary sensor - \$550 (needed to work with the pulse oximeter listed above)
- Portable table mounted surgery light - \$1,250

#### The Field, Abroad, Reaching-out Veterinarians (FARVets) Program

The FARVets program coordinates trips abroad to work with foreign feline welfare organizations in their spay and neuter efforts to control feral cat populations. Led by Cornell veterinarians, students are provided with vital surgical experience while helping address the considerable feline welfare issues in these countries.

- Clippers \$200
- Laryngoscope \$175
- New sets of surgery instruments \$350
- Suture for sterilization surgeries \$400 Headlamps \$100
- Positioning troughs for surgeries \$150 New sets of surgical scrubs \$150
- Anesthetic medications \$250-500
- New portable tables \$150
- Squeeze cage \$100

"With items purchased by generous donors from Elizabeth's Wish List, FARVets has been able to positively affect communities both locally and abroad by helping with overpopulation and welfare issues of dogs and cats. FARVets has helped farmers, property owners, and trap-neuterreturn (TNR) organizations locally with feral and barn cat populations. We have also been able to help small communities in places like Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, Thailand, Bulgaria, and Nicaragua by implementing clinics and empowering the local communities to continue such clinics once FARVets has left. This outreach has been greatly appreciated by all, and FARVets is very grateful to our donors!"

- Paul Maza, DVM, PhD Director of FARVets



# Donor Partnerships

A legacy of humor and kindness - remembering Ann Hardy

We are saddened by the recent passing of one of our most loyal supporters, Ms. Ann Hardy.

Ann was known for her outspoken nature, kindness, generosity, and for the way she strived to live her life to the fullest every day. She was a long-standing lover of cats, often living with multiple kitties (up to six at a time), and was particularly fond of Balinese and Siamese cats. Ann's cats were truly her family, and were part of the welcoming committee every time she had visitors to her home. She spoiled

them unforgivingly, and always provided them with the utmost in care and affection. She even had a separate room dedicated solely to cats, complete with cat trees and toys that they could enjoy at their leisure.



Abby contemplating one of Ann's favorite kaleidoscopes



The Hardy feline clan staying warm

Ann first made connections with the Center in 1988, when she made a donation in memory of her beloved kitty, Luvey, who succumbed to feline infectious peritonitis that year. This began a nearly 30-year relationship during which we came to know Ann as a strong advocate for feline well-being and a dedicated supporter of research focused on issues in feline health. Ann kept in close contact with our former director, the late Jim Richards, and staff of the Center throughout the years, and her letters and cards were universally enjoyed for their humor, candor, and warmth. In the last decade, she graciously hosted many of us from the Center, and we will always remember her for her unique blend of humor and affection for her cats and our mission.

We were particularly touched by the fact that Ann's loyal commitment to our cause persisted, and even increased, with her declining health toward the end of her life, so very consistent with the person she was. Whenever we expressed our most sincere thanks, she was quick to say that this recognition was not necessary and changed the subject with a humorous interjection or story. If there is anything that is more remarkable than

Ann's continued support for our cause through the later years of her life, it was the matter-of-fact attitude that she had about these tremendous gifts, in stark contrast to how much we cherished, and continue to cherish them.

Through her numerous annual gifts and the legacy that she established by arranging an unrestricted bequest to the Center upon her passing, Ann embodies the quintessential example of a dedicated Cornell Feline Heath Center

supporter. We will always remember Ann's stalwart support and her dedication to all cats, her own and those less fortunate.



Gabriel relaxing on his favorite couch

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The Cornell Feline Heath Center is reliant upon the generosity and dedication of supporters like Ann to be able to achieve our goals. Thank you, Ann, for your trust and loyalty. Your support will help us tremendously in achieving our mission.

# Cats for Comfort Program

A win-win-win for seniors, shelter cats, and students

Cats living in shelters across the country and seniors living in adult care facilities have two things in common. The first is a need for additional companionship. Although staff at shelters and adult care facilities do their utmost, seniors and unadopted cats can still sometimes feel lonely.

Something else they share is a tremendous capacity to love. Cats adopted from shelters commonly transform into social and emotional champions in a forever home, while seniors living in adult care facilities most often have so much to give in caring for and loving others. Many of these seniors happen to be long time cat lovers who would be very happy to still have a feline friend, but face challenges in acquiring and caring for a pet cat.

The potential benefits that seniors living in adult care facilities and shelter cats can provide for one another recently sparked a motivational flame for us here at the Cornell Feline Health Center. We decided to put our efforts into creating a mutually beneficial arrangement for seniors and cats, the Cats for Comfort program. We envisioned that we could provide the contacts and support to facilitate adoptions of shelter cats by interested seniors living in adult care facilities.

We were very fortunate to have three innovative and openminded institutions that do excellent work in their respective areas to partner with right here in Ithaca. The Tompkins County Society for The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (TCSPCA), Longview Residential Living Community, and the Ithaca College Gerontology Institute were all very eager to work with us to organize a unique program focused on facilitating adoptions of cats from the TCSPCA by residents at Longview.

With assistance from members of the Cornell Feline Club, a student-run club comprised of veterinary students with interest in feline medicine, and undergraduate students in the gerontology program at Ithaca College, we had our first Cats for Comfort adoption event at Longview in March of 2016 and the second in May of 2017. They were quite successful: students provided guidance and assistance to seniors during the adoption process and have continued to provide regular follow up and care afterward. The relationships established between the seniors, cats, and students in this unique program are truly inspiring.

Encouraged by these early results, we look forward to expanding Cats for Comfort, and have plans to broaden its reach locally at another senior living facility in Ithaca. Our long-term goal is to continue expanding locally, and then to explore expanding the reach of this innovative program regionally and perhaps even nationally. By connecting cats and seniors, and providing support for the adoptions,

we continue to work toward our goal of a better world for cats while also benefitting senior cat lovers.



Clockwise from top: Princess, Katie, Marmalade, and Anka adjusting well to their new homes











# Clinic Memorial Program Participants

Offering solace and extending the promise of a better future for cats

Veterinary clinics participating in our Clinic Memorial Program support the Center's mission of making the world a better place for cats while also honoring their clients' lost pets. We thank you for your partnership and support!

Remembering our feline friends with a gift for a better future, July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

#### California

Animal Hospital of Walnut The Cat Care Clinic Kensington Veterinary Hospital Veterinary Specialty Hospital

#### Colorado

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Aspetuck Animal Hospital **Bolton Veterinary Hospital Burlington Veterinary Center** Chippens Hill Veterinary Hospital Easton Veterinary Clinic Fairfield Veterinary Hospital Georgetown Veterinary Hospital Manchester Veterinary Clinic New England Cat Care North Windham Animal Hospital Salmon Brook Veterinary Hospital Schulhof Animal Hospital South Windsor Veterinary Clinic Suffield Veterinary Hospital Winsted Hospital For Animals

#### Delaware

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#### Florida

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#### Georgia

The Cat Care Clinic Cat Care of Vinings

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Animal Hospital of Woodstock Brumley Veterinary Clinic Cat Hospital of Chicago The Cat Practice Chicago Cat Clinic Lombard Animal Clinic

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#### Maine

Coastal Cats Feline Health Care Windsor Veterinary Clinic

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Brockton Animal Hospital Cape Ann Veterinary Hospital Chestnut Street Animal Hospital Easthampton Animal Hospital The Feline Hospital Holden Veterinary Clinic Linwood Animal Hospital Mattapoisett Animal Hospital Metro Cat Hospital

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Cat Care of Rochester Hills The Kitty Clinic The Visiting Vet

#### Minnesota

City Cat Clinic

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Working together to make the world a better place for all cats

Thank you to our donors at all levels over the past year.

While space prevents us from listing all names, please know that your support is deeply appreciated.

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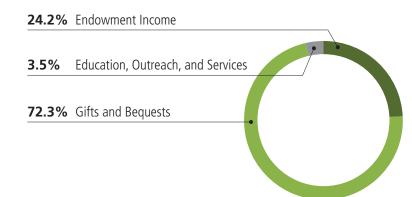
## Financial Information

A snapshot of the Center's expenses and how they are supported

### Over 96% of our funding comes from donor support.

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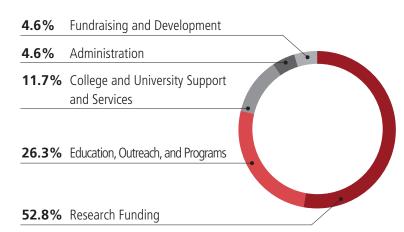
#### **REVENUES TOTAL: \$1,155,560**



### Over 79¢ of every dollar

was spent on funding feline research, various education and outreach initiatives, and support for our programs such as the Camuti Consultation Service and Cats for Comfort.

#### **EXPENSES TOTAL: \$1,031,589**



We're pleased to have been able to almost

### triple our research grant funding

over the past five years.

### FY 2013 FY 2014 FY 2015 FY 2016 FY 2017

\$400,000

\$600,000

**RESEARCH GRANT FUNDING** 

\$200,000

<sup>\*</sup> FY denotes Fiscal Year





#### TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF CATS EVERYWHERE BY

- Finding ways of preventing and curing diseases of cats by conducting and sponsoring breakthrough feline health studies
- Educating veterinarians and cat owners about feline health by providing timely medical information and by promoting public understanding and awareness of feline issues
- Providing timely expert guidance and support when unforeseen feline diseases or health crises emerge



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