

CCR Mews December 2022

# CANOPY CAT RESCUE

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**CCR Motto: No Cats Left Behind in Trees!**

Meet Omar  
"Kitty Star of CCR 2023"



## What an Ameowzing Year It's Been for CCR Thanks to All of You!

**Canopy Cat Rescue humbly asks for your help this holiday season!**

Wow, what a year CCR has had. Besides increasing the number of cats we rescued this year from 720 to over 800, we were also working hard on the governance side of the organization, streamlining administrative processes, and trying lots of new campaigns and programs - ala our new "Kitty Star of CCR" (bread loaf loving) Omar (see above).

This year was a CATalyst (get it) to start working on plans to expand our organization. With a consistent fundraising calendar, new partnerships and outreach, and expansion/diversification of our board, we know that one day we will be able to help even more cats in different regions around the country. We will be able to do this thanks to the unwavering support of our followers and donors.

With growth comes some changes, and we hope that all of you will embrace us as we try out new things in the coming years. It's all for the love of helping more cats which will always remain the core of what we do. We eat, sleep and breathe cats. We love them so much that we climb up the tallest trees most days to save them (sometimes multiple times a day).

In the near future, we would love to offer more resources for people and their cats, like vet discounts, and spay/neuter vouchers. While we do rescue cats who have families, many times we help stray animals as well that need homes. We'd love to find ways to assist families who adopt the cats we save!

This is why we need to continue the success we've built this year by asking each of you to support CCR this holiday season with a tax-deductible donation (by Dec 31). We hope you'll read Felix' story below... who was adopted, survived a house fire, and then going missing up a tree for almost two weeks! This is why we do what we do... all kitties deserve to be saved no matter their human family's ability to pay. Our cats are our family and they sometimes need a little help from a tree climbing friend!

All of us at CCR wish you and your loved ones, furry and human, a very warm and happy holiday season with lots of purrs and cat cuddles!

## The Numbers:



**Over 5,800  
cats rescued**

**1,200 rescue calls  
come in per year**



**Over 800 cats  
rescued  
in 2022**

**Tallest tree we've  
climbed is close  
to 200 feet!**



**If you are excited to have your cat become an adventure kitty, please make sure you learn about all of the safety requirements, especially if your Kitty has the right demeanor. Never start your journey near trees - try an apartment complex or pet store!**



## Felix - A Holiday Meowricle:

It all started in Bonny Lake, WA with a super professional business meeting run by the Staudinger family's daughter CKO (Chief Kitty Officer) - the Top 6 Reasons Why We Should Get a Cat... with a Fall deadline no less. The presentation was a smashing success and the family brought home their kitty bundle of joy - Felix!

Felix is a special kitty (as all kitties are). His big floofy grey fur and glowing moonlike eyes and you fall in love instantly. Even dad who was less keen on getting a kitty, fell head over heels for this bundle of loving fluff! Felix even won over the family dog who had his reservations initially.

Everyone was so happy - a big inter-species family full of love and lots of cat and dog fur! That all changed when a house fire tore through the family home one day. After getting the children out, dad bravely ran back into the house to find the pets. There wasn't even a second thought in his mind. His kids loved their furry family... and so did he. So he charged back into the house facing flames and smoke looking desperately for Felix and Chuy despite the immense danger. He knew the family would be devastated if he couldn't get them out!

Miraculously he found them in the bedroom and got them out to safety. Everyone was going to be ok! The family had to relocate for a long time while their house was cleaned and renovated after the fire. But Felix took it in stride as he is one cool customer and was just happy to be with his family who loved him! Home is where the Felix is!

Once the Staudinger family was able to move back into their house, things went smoothly for a while and everyone was in purrmony. Until one day Felix got out of the house and didn't come home. The family was distraught... even Felix's doggo comrade.



## Meet Omar Kitty Star of CCR 2023!

We didn't know when CCR sought a new sovereign leader this year, that we'd find one that is so purrfect. King of the household and connoisseur of bread - Omar - our new "Kitty Star" won't take his duties lightly. Look for him featured prominently on our merch sale coming soon!

Thank you to everyone who entered their kitties and voted including our runners up Bella-Bean, Prince, Fuzzy, Corey, and Trio. We LOVED seeing all of your entries. We are so excited to continue this contest next year to see if anyone has what it takes to beat the original bread man, chief biscuit maker Omar! Read all our entries [here!](#)



Canopy Cat Rescue is excited to partner with [Travel Cat](#) for their Harness Hangout on Wed December 28, 2022 @ 6 pm PST - [Register Here](#)



**It's almost time for the holidays. This doesn't mean CCR stops climbing trees to help kitties! This season of giving, make sure to shop with our [Amazon Smile](#) account!**



After surviving the house fire, they thought that they had met their quota of sad happenings. But Felix was gone. Then the search commenced. The family searched everywhere, put up flyers all over the neighborhood, scoured missing pets' pages on Facebook and called local shelters to no avail. At this point, Felix had been gone 13 days. The family lost hope and started to mourn the loss of Felix forever...

Enter CCR and savior neighbor. Hearing cries up in their cedar tree, a neighbor had been trying for over a week to get someone to come and rescue the cat. Finally they found CCR and Tom was able to come out for the rescue. Climbing the tree, he found the kitty in a cozy nest waiting patiently to be rescued. He was so sweet, and excited for his lift down in the net!

Once Tom had the kitty down, he scanned him for a microchip. But there was no chip (make sure to microchip your pets!). After the neighbor searched the neighborhood pages, they found a missing kitty who looked just like the one Tom rescued. With some sleuthing, they found the house from the photos and tried to return him, but the family wasn't home. The neighbor kept him until they were able to reunite him later that day with his family. This reunion was epic... you can watch the video above! We suggest having tissues ready.

After fearing they lost Felix forever, the family is so grateful for CCR and their neighbor... and had no idea they should look up in the trees for Felix as many people don't! Felix and his family have survived two deep losses and now they are all looking forward to the holidays and some peace. Felix hasn't had the desire to try to escape outside again and his family is making sure he can't find a way to go rogue again! We're thinking the 6 Reasons list should have included "Find a Kitty Who is Resilient in the Face of Danger". Because that's Felix!

The Staudinger family is so full of gratitude for those of you who support CCR so that we are able to reunite kitties and families like theirs. They hope everyone will support CCR this holiday season!



### Reasons you should get me a cat! By autumn!

1. I'll feed it take it outside to go to the bathroom, clean it up and whatever I need to do
2. They are really cute!
3. I can help pay for its stuff it needs
4. I really really really want a cat
5. We already have a litter box we just need to get the stuff for it and clean it out
6. Lastly I already have a plan on how to take care of it

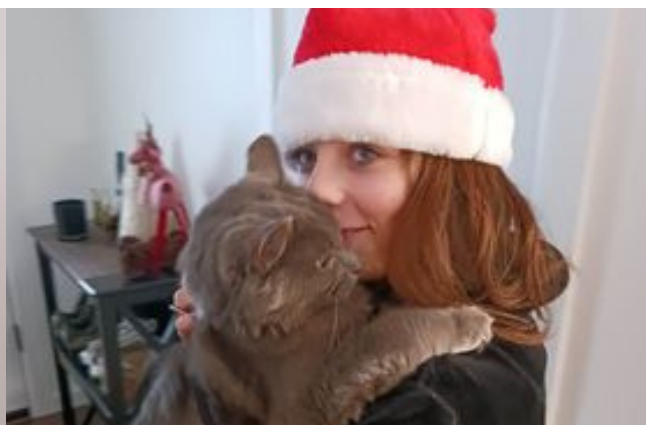


#### Missing cat!



Name: Felix  
color: grey  
Eye color: yellow  
Age: one year

Felix is very fluffy and soft, he went missing on november 23rd, if you find him call



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## Help CCR Grow and Help More Kitties This Holiday Season!

Please know that it's because of each of you that Canopy Cat Rescue has been able to save thousands of cats and kittens. You are the reason we will be able to expand and help more kitties who need us by offering training programs and hiring new climbers in the future. Since it's the season of giving, **we humbly ask that you might consider donating** a little something or start making a monthly donation! All donations matter (matching gifts as well!).

**WE NEED YOUR HELP** to continue CCR's life-saving missions and to help us expand our reach. The donations we currently receive only cover a small amount of the time and output we pour into helping these cats and we need those who are inspired by what we do to help us bring these kitties home to their scared and emotional families. The amount of deep feelings involved in CCR's daily work is overwhelming (understandably so), so know that your donations make all the difference!

To donate, visit our [website](#), click the **DONATE BUTTON** below, or send checks to:  
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