



Found kittens?

If you've found kittens in Wake County, here's what to do.

START HERE: Are the kittens injured or critically sick?

YES →

CALL ANIMAL CONTROL
find your jurisdiction online at wake.gov/animalcontrol

↓ NO

ESTIMATE THE AGE OF THE KITTENS



0-2 WEEKS OLD
Eyes closed or barely open



2-4 WEEKS OLD
Eyes open and alert; becoming mobile



4-6 WEEKS OLD
Very mobile and often talkative; can eat food



6-8 WEEKS OLD
Very active and playful; around 1-2 pounds



8+ WEEKS OLD
Very active and playful; 2 pounds or more

STOP! Can you see the mom cat OR a nest?

YES ↓

DON'T KIT-NAP!
A kitten's best chance of survival is with mom. **Leave the kittens where they are.**
If you want to help, make sure mom has access to shelter, food, and water and contact a TNR group to have mom and kittens fixed when ready.

NO ↓

ARE YOU SURE?
Mom may be off hunting or not want to come around if people are present. Watch for her to come back for a few hours.
PRO TIP: Leave a ring of flour around the kittens. Check in a few hours if you see mom's foot prints in the flour!

If the kittens are friendly, call (919) 212-7387 to schedule intake at the Wake County Animal Center.

Cats are spayed/neutered, microchipped, and vaccinated before adoption.

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↑ **MOM CAME BACK**

↑ **STILL NO MOM**

Visit wake.gov/kitten for more kitten care resources.

