



## Community Cat Trapper and Transporter Job Description

- This position supports the TNR Program at Indy Neighborhood Cats and reports to the Executive Director.
- **The trapper/transporter** will provide trapping and colony management support primarily in our most underserved areas of the city. The caretakers in these neighborhoods have higher rates of poverty. While many are not able to perform trapping duties or lack transportation, we encourage caretakers to be as self-sufficient as possible.
- **Core Responsibilities**
  - Follow up with direct assignments from Indy Neighborhood Cats.
  - Visit caretaker/colony for evaluation, planning and coordination of trapping project.
  - Serve as a resource for food, winter shelters, medical care, or neighborhood education.
  - Maintain caretaker confidentiality.
  - Report any broken traps or equipment to the trapping coordinator.
  - Serve as an advocate for all cats.
  - Maintain a positive, confident, and friendly demeanor when working with the public.
- **Important Reminders**
  - Your personal safety is important. You are never expected to assist a caretaker or be in a neighborhood you do not feel safe in. There are some people and animals we can't help by ourselves. In these situations, we will contact Indianapolis Animal Care Services for advisement and support.
  - It is up to your discretion if you want to give out your cell phone number. If you decline to do so – you can provide the INC hotline and tell them to ask for you. We will forward communication, so your line remains private.
  - Never trespass or encourage anybody to do so. Trespassing is against the law. We can only trap on property for which we have permission.
  - Never take an owned cat or encourage anybody to do so. Owned cats are not to be free roaming. If the cat is unaltered or in need of medical care - we will contact Indianapolis Animal Care Services for advisement and support.
  - If a caretaker decides to take a recently TNR'd cat into their household and their "owned cats" get sick, we are not responsible.
  - Indianapolis Animal Care Services does not recognize indoor/outdoor cats. Owned cats are not to be free roaming. Community cats are not confined in any manner and live outdoors.
  - If you receive a bite or scratch from a cat. Please alert the executive director immediately. We recommend thoroughly washing the wound asap. It is prudent to notify your doctor.