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Kitten Season Continues

Roseville, CA – It's Mother's Day all over again at the Placer SPCA. Three cats recently arrived pregnant and gave birth to a combined total of 14 kittens in three days. With the newborns, the Placer SPCA is currently caring for 203 kittens and 132 cats, including 111 felines currently in foster care.

Since kitten season boomed this spring, dedicated volunteers have fostered 500 cats and kittens in their homes, decreasing the chances of the cats contracting illnesses and giving them the socialization and loving care they need. More volunteers are currently needed.

Companion animal welfare experts, the Placer SPCA is offering a volunteer class on becoming a kitten foster parent on **Friday, August 28** from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Those interested in fostering and attending the class should call (916) 782-7722, ext. 104 or (530) 885-7387, ext. 104 or email volunteer@placerspca.org.

"Kitten season can last into the fall," said Placer SPCA CEO Leilani Vierra, "and some of our foster volunteers have already cared for as many as five litters of kittens. This is truly lifesaving work and a meaningful way for people to contribute to their community especially if they are one of the almost 11% of the Roseville population who are unemployed and may have some extra time on their hands."

Kittens stay in foster care until they weigh two pounds and can safely be spayed or neutered, usually at eight to ten weeks of age.

For those who are interested in helping but cannot be foster parents, the Placer SPCA is also seeking donations of kitten food and formula, as well as monetary contributions.

The Placer SPCA is currently offering special adoption pricing for kittens of \$75 each or two for \$100. All cats adopted from the Placer SPCA have been spayed or neutered, tested for common feline viruses, vaccinated, and microchipped.

Residents of Placer County who have unaltered cats are encouraged to contact the Placer SPCA's low-cost Spay and Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP) at (916) 782-7722, ext. 201 or (530) 885-7387, ext. 201.

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