



NEWSLETTER

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Every Wobble Deserves Another Step: Pewter's Happy Ending

Remember Pewter? The little kitten who wobbled his way into so many hearts? We have an update—and it's the kind of happy ending we couldn't wait to share.

When we first told you Pewter's story, we were overwhelmed by the response. So many of you cheered him on, celebrated every step forward, and fell in love with this determined little kitten right along with us.

And now we have even more good news!

Pewter has finished his Feline Infectious Peritonitis (FIP) medication, continues to do well, and has officially found his forever home!

But perhaps we should say his forever home found him. Pewter's foster mom, Catherine Crummett, has officially joined that wonderful club we affectionately call "foster failures." After caring for Pewter throughout his treatment and watching his personality blossom, Catherine adopted him!

And really... who could resist that charm?

A Look Back at Pewter's Journey

Pewter originally arrived at Cat's Cradle with his siblings from a local shelter. He seemed like any other playful kitten—tiny, adorable, and ready for a fresh start.

Then everything changed.

Pewter began showing alarming neurological symptoms. His head tilted dramatically to one side. He lost the use of his right leg and struggled with balance and coordination.

But Pewter never stopped trying. He would wobble. He would stumble. And then he would get right back up and try again.

After extensive veterinary evaluations, the most likely diagnosis was FIP, believed to have begun as Dry FIP before progressing to Neurological FIP, one of the disease's most serious forms.



The amazing
PEWTER

Pewter - the rest of the story...



PEWTER & HIS NEW FAMILY

Not long ago, an FIP diagnosis offered little hope.

Pewter's story was different.

Cat's Cradle was able to act quickly and begin life-saving FIP medication. His treatment required time, care, resources, and plenty of determination from one very special little cat. And Pewter responded beautifully.

The kitten who once struggled to stand began walking. Then playing. Then exploring. His mobility returned, his head tilt improved dramatically, and that irresistible Pewter personality came shining through.

And now, he has finished his medication. He still has his signature wobble, but don't underestimate him—Pewter can manage the

stairs! Best of all, he gets to keep climbing stairs in the home of the person who stood beside him through his journey.

From Foster Home to Forever Home

Fostering means opening your home and heart to an animal who needs a safe place to heal, grow, or simply wait for the family meant for them.

Sometimes, though, that family is already there.

Catherine gave Pewter the care and encouragement he needed during some of the most difficult days of his young life. Somewhere along the way, Pewter apparently decided he was already home.

We think he made an excellent choice!

Pewter's journey—from a tiny kitten struggling to walk to a beloved, adopted cat who has completed his FIP treatment—is a beautiful reminder of what rescue makes possible.

It takes veterinary care. It takes foster families willing to say yes. It takes adopters who open their hearts. And it takes a community of supporters who believe that even the most vulnerable animals deserve a chance.

Because every wobble deserves another step.

And sometimes, all those little steps lead exactly where they were meant to:

Home.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED: \$71,926.50 RAISED FOR THE 2026 SUMMERTIME CHALLENGE!

Because of our incredible supporters, **Mission Impawsable** became **Mission Accomplished!**

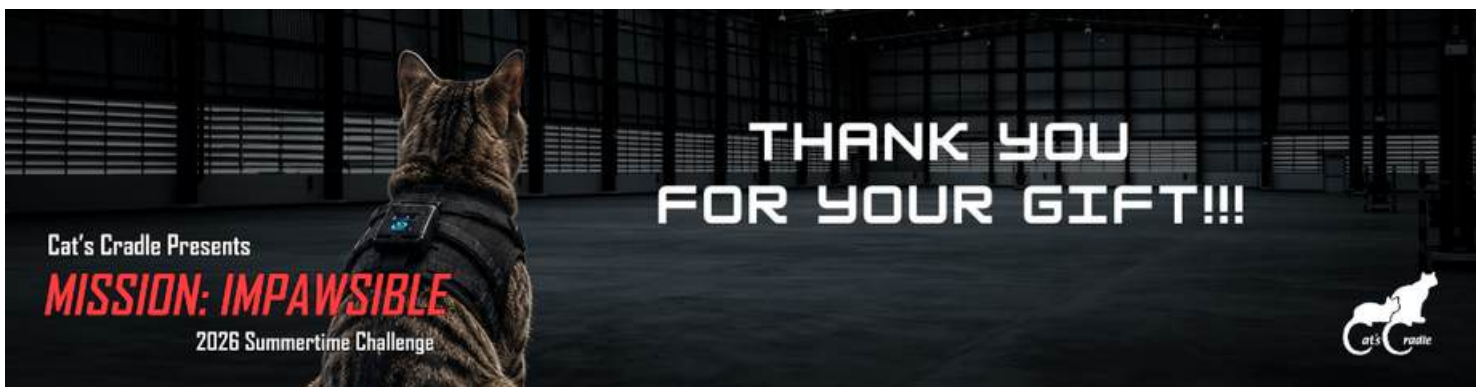
This year, we launched our **2026 Summertime Challenge: Mission Impawsable** with an ambitious mission: raise \$65,000 in community funds to continue providing lifesaving care for cats and kittens in our region.

Thanks to YOU—our donors, friends, sponsors, and community partners—we didn't just complete the mission. We surpassed it! Together, you raised an incredible \$71,926.50!

What may have seemed impawsable became possible thanks to so many compassionate people chose to answer the call. Every gift—whether \$5, \$50, \$500, or more—helped propel us past our goal and ensures that Cat's Cradle can continue being there for vulnerable cats and kittens who need us most.

Because of your generosity, more cats can be spayed and neutered, receive essential medical care and find safety when they need it! **That's the mission, and you make it possible.**

Year after year, you show us just how much this community cares. We are humbled by your compassion, grateful for your trust, and inspired by your willingness to take action for cats and kittens in need.



To everyone who accepted this Mission Impawsable: THANK YOU!

And, of course, no successful mission is complete without our incredible **Challenge Sponsors!** We've recognized these special agents of compassion on the following page for the vital role they played in making the 2026 Summertime Challenge a tremendous success.

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Next mission: Keep saving lives—together.

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THROUGH 8/31

- 3,468 spay/neuter surgeries facilitated (44% of these were TNR)
- 486 cats and kittens rescued from partner shelters
- 419 cats and kittens adopted out
- 210 families authorized for medical assistance
- Trap, Neuter, Return: 1,522

