## Feral Cat Rescue Medical Fund

As a non-profit organization, Feral Cat Rescue is funded by, and relies on, community donations. Every so often, we take in a cat that requires special medical attention that is more than we can afford out of our general fund. Through our partnerships with other non-profit animal care organizations, we are able to provide these kitties wonderful, quality medical services. However, the cost of these services can add up very quickly, which is where our medical fund comes in. Any donations made to the medical fund will be earmarked for surgery and other miscellaneous expenses related to surgery/treatment.

As a reminder, all donations are tax-deductible.

Please see the stories below to read about a few of our most recent "special needs" patients – we will provide updates to their stories as we have them.

Thank you for your support!

How To Donate:

www.feralcatrescuemt.org

("Donate Now" button – please specify "Medical Fund" under "Program/Other") Mail to: P.O. Box 1018, Hamilton, MT 59840



## Pequeño's Story

Pequeño came to Feral Cat Rescue with his mom and five siblings when he was just two weeks old. They've had a wonderful space to grow and develop, and four of his siblings have been adopted into new homes. He, his brother Grande, and his mom are still waiting for their own homes. Just recently, he started favoring one of his rear legs. Then it seemed to rapidly get worse. He started walking funny and preferred to spend most of his time with his legs to the side, sitting on his haunch.

Thursday, January 23, 2014, he went to the vet for an exam and x-rays. Pequeño has coxa valga, which is causing displasia (the ball of his femur doesn't sit inside his hip socket, it floats outside it) and his knee caps are no longer aligned with his knees, allowing his knees to bow outward.

Luckily, surgery can correct Pequeño's problems. However, it will require two surgeries - one for both hips, then another one for both knees. The total cost will be just over \$1500.00

His hip surgery is scheduled for the 10th of February, and will cost \$600.00.

FCR needs help to pay for these surgeries. If you can contribute any amount, it will be truly appreciated.

Any donations received during the month of February will be earmarked for FCR's medical fund. Donations can be made through our website (<u>www.feralcatrescuemt.org</u>), by clicking on the "Donate Now" link, or by mail to P.O. Box 1018, Hamilton MT 59840.

An anonymous donor has offered to match any contributions up to \$400, so your donations will be doubled!



## Foghorn's Story

**UPDATE 1/28/14**: Due to tissue damage, Foghorn's bad leg wouldn't heal, so it had to be amputated. However, his plight attracted a wonderful home, where his mom and dad love him dearly. He zooms up and down the stairs, enjoying life just as it is. And he is now known at Tripod. Special thanks to Dr. Applebury, Janice, and Bill for your compassion.

This kitty was found wounded and crying beneath a woman's cabin north of Stevensville. Both front legs had bullet wounds and broken bones. He is a very sweet kitty - even injured, he allowed us to put him in a carrier and take him to the vet. The vet cleaned the wounds and put a temporary splint on the bad leg. One leg will heal on its own, but the bad leg requires a pin and plate. He is headed for surgery on 11/17/12. Nobody knows who he belongs to or where he came from, so Feral Cat Rescue will take responsibility for his surgery and will give him a place to stay until he can find a new safer home.