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Donation Brings TNR Back at the Nova Scotia SPCA

Dartmouth– Thanks to a multi-year donation from the Robbie's Fund Foundation, the [Nova Scotia SPCA](#) will be able to shorten the previously announced hiatus of its [Trap, Neuter, Return](#) program.

"This wonderful donation from Robbie's Fund Foundation will cover the cost of a new mobile surgery unit and five years of operational funding," says Heather Woodin, Chief, Animal Operations. "We are grateful for this support, which will allow us to bring the program back in 2026, in a limited capacity, and then more fully in the next few years."

While the operational costs for medical supplies, a new mobile surgery vehicle, and veterinary medical staff will be covered by the Robbie's Fund Foundation, the program will still require volunteer trappers and community volunteers to bring the program back to communities across the province, as well as the recruitment of registered veterinary technicians and veterinarians.

In 2026, the Nova Scotia SPCA will work with rescue and community groups to fill six TNR sessions. This program will continue to be offered free of charge to these organizations.

The Trap, Neuter, Return program addresses the challenge of unowned outdoor cats. The cats are humanely trapped, vetted to be spayed or neutered, ear-tipped for identification, and returned to their outdoor territory.

By working together with local rescue groups across the province, we can make the most improvement in the welfare of the feral cat population through spay/neuter.

"Robbie's Fund Foundation is thrilled to make this gift to ensure the Trap, Neuter, Return program comes back from hiatus in 2026, and continues for the next few years. Our hope is that while we help cats and communities, we also raise awareness of the need for more support of animal welfare in everything from programs to veterinary medicine. This gift is multi-year to help sustain the program, giving the Nova Scotia SPCA security while recruiting new volunteers and donors." - Robbie's Fund Foundation.

About Nova Scotia SPCA

Proudly following no-kill principles, the Nova Scotia SPCA is a registered charity that helps companion animals in need. In 2025, over 25,000 pets were helped through animal rescue, progressive programs, rehoming opportunities, and veterinary hospitals. The Nova Scotia SPCA operates three public [Tartan Tails Veterinary Hospitals](#), five social-enterprise [thrift stores](#), six animal shelters, and the [Nova Scotia SPCA College of Animal Welfare](#).

The Nova Scotia SPCA does not receive any government funding for shelters, programs, college or hospitals, so the SPCA relies on community support to help care for local pets in need. To learn more, visit www.novascotiaspca.ca.

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