



So you've found some kittens

Start here!

Are the kittens injured or critically sick?

YES
NO

CALL BCAS

Buncombe County Animal Shelter:
(828) 250-6430

HOW OLD ARE THEY?



0-2 WEEKS

Eyes closed or barely open



2-4 WEEKS

Eyes open and alert; becoming mobile



4-6 WEEKS

Very mobile and often talkative; can eat food



6-8 WEEKS

Very active and playful; around 1-2 pounds



8+ WEEKS

Very active and playful; 2+ pounds

STOP! Can you see the mother cat OR a nest?

YES

NO

DON'T KIT-NAP!

A kitten's best chance of survival is with mom.

Leave the kittens where they are and file a found report with us!

If you want to help, make sure mom has access to shelter, food, and water and contact a TNR group to have mom and kittens fixed when ready.

ARE YOU SURE?

Mom may be off hunting or not want to come around if people are present. Watch for her to come back for a few hours.

PRO TIP: Leave a ring of flour around the kittens. Check in a few hours if you see mom's foot prints in the flour!

If the kittens are friendly, file a found report with us! Then, utilize social media and your personal network to try and place them in homes.

Contact local organizations for spay/neuter services. We can help with spay/neuter and rehoming!

Call AHS Helpline for further assistance: (828) 761-2008

CALL (828) 250-6430

for assistance caring for orphaned kittens and next steps

MOM CAME BACK

STILL NO MOM



Another pro-tip to tell if a kitten is eating is to hold them up—if they're "pear shaped" that means they've likely eaten a meal recently and it is appropriate to wait for mom!



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