

Nearly 100 Massachusetts cats rescued from hoarder, many need homes

“The MSPCA at Nevins Farm has just taken in 32 cats from a single home in Tewksbury, MA after their overwhelmed owner could no longer care for them, and 59 others were sent to Tewksbury Animal Control and other humane groups.

All of the cats but three are suffering from upper respiratory infections, and they all have painful, itchy ear mites as well as periodontal disease. The majority of the cats have also experienced severe, irreversible eye changes as a result of untreated infections.

“This is a case where one of the owners had died and the surviving spouse just could not take care of all these cats, especially as their health issues got more serious, and [he] was desperate for help,” said Meaghan O’Leary, the director of operations at the MSPCA at Nevins Farm.

We will be testing the cats for ringworm later this week, and the results of these tests, as well as how they respond to treatment for their respiratory infections, will determine the timeline of their availability for adoption.

The cats range in age from six months to about 10 years. We should have an update on their availability next week – in the meantime, the cost of care is expected to reach \$10,000. We’re fortunate to be able to help in these situations, and our sole intention is to help the cats heal and then place them into loving homes.” -MSPCA-Angell.



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