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Dear Friends of Project Cat,

On a cold, rainy evening in October, Oliver's scrawny, wet body was curled up on the lawn of an apartment complex in Ulster County. A tenant returning home saw the small kitten and thought he might be dead. She reached down and touched his head and he moved -- he was still alive. She brought him inside, and after wrapping him in a towel to warm him, started calling friends for phone numbers of animal organizations that might help the little guy.

One organization after another expressed concern, but could not help. Finally, the woman who had found him reached Project Cat. Gail Mihocko, Director, assured the caller that a volunteer would come for the kitten in the morning. In the meantime, the woman was able to dry him, feed him, and provide him with a warm, dry place where he slept all night.

When Oliver arrived at Project Cat, the weakened and still exhausted kitten was tested and found to be malnourished and parasite ridden, but otherwise healthy. After a thorough search of the area, no mother cat nor any more kittens were found. As often happens, it was a mystery how this kitten came to be where he had been found and what the fate of the rest of his family had been. As for Oliver, the immediate task was to get him nourished, neutered, vaccinated and into a good home.

Sadly, Oliver's tale is far from unique, and many don't have his fortunate outcome. There are countless, similar stories all over the area, and indeed, all over the country -- cats left behind because owners must move and shelters will not take the animals, pregnant cats dropped on country roads because their owners failed to spay them, or large numbers of unhealthy cats kept in squalor by hoarders who are unable to care for them. Project Cat is one of the few organizations whose volunteers travel out into the community to help people with cats they have found -- every day of every week of every year, providing it has volunteers and funds available. It does yeoman's work on a thinly stretched budget attempting to cover endless costs of medicines, veterinary care, food and supplies.

Project Cat truly performs a labor of love -- love for these unfortunate creatures who are society's discards. There are many Olivers out there, seeking a warm bed and a compassionate heart. Please help us help Oliver and others by donating as generously as you can at this special, and particularly difficult, time of year.

On behalf of Project Cat and its Volunteers, have a healthy and joyous holiday season.

Will you help Oliver and others like him this Holiday Season?



