



## Indoor-Only Cat

Is your cat an **indoor-only cat** who slipped outside, or did your cat get lost in unfamiliar territory?

- Check your home to verify that the cat is not hiding somewhere (in closets, cupboards, etc.)
- Search for potential hiding spots near the suspected point of exit (in/under bushes, under a porch/deck).
- Set a live-trap, baited with high-value/smelly food (wet cat food, tuna, or canned chicken) near the exit point.
- Place cat beds/blankets that may smell familiar/comforting to the cat near the exit point and trap.
- If possible, open a window or door near the exit point, so the cat may re-enter your house on her or his own.
- Search with a flashlight to look for shining eyes
- Check trees and high spots (flashlight may be helpful here, too)

## Indoor/Outdoor Cat

Is your cat an **indoor/outdoor cat**, who hasn't come home as usually expected?

- Focus your search to an area just around the edge of your cat's "usual territory."
- Check to see if your cat was accidentally locked in somewhere (closet, basement, shed, garage, etc.)
- Notify neighbors with a photo and your contact information.
- Check trees, and high spots, using a flashlight to look for shining eyes.

\*\*In addition to posting at [hshv.org/lostandfound](https://www.hshv.org/lostandfound), we recommend these additional sites:

- "**For the Love of Louie**"  
Facebook page for lost animals in MI
- Lost & Found page on **Craigslist**
- **Nextdoor.com**

**Live outside our service area or on the border?**

Petfinder.com can provide a list of animal shelters/humane societies near you.

## For Any Lost Cat

- Post to all online sites, local classifieds, and nearby humane societies (\*\*see below)
- Print fliers on colorful paper to hand out to neighbors, and to post at nearby intersections, neighborhood meeting places (or office/clubhouse at apartment complex), local vet clinics, and at the humane society
- With every online post, and any fliers you create, always include a picture. This is very important when enlisting the help of others to look for your cat!
- If your cat is microchipped, verify with the microchip company (and the vet office where the chip was implanted) that your contact information on the microchip is up-to-date.
- Visit your local shelter to do a "walk-through" every 3 days

## Humane Society of Huron Valley

3100 Cherry Hill Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48105

[hshv.org/lostandfound](https://www.hshv.org/lostandfound)

Lost and Found line: 734-661-3545