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The Exotic Feline Rescue Center

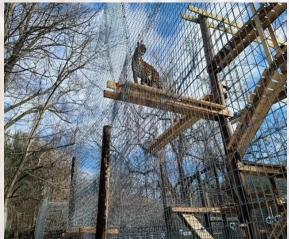
Giving Exotic Cats a Home for Life
2221 E. Ashboro Road
Center Point, IN 47840

Spring 2022

We Are Now Open

Hours: 10:00 to 5:00 daily with the last tour beginning at 3:30 To protect our cats, face masks are still required.

New Wonders at the Front Gate:



Upon arriving, visitors are greeted by a variety of cats in their new enclosures. JR, a leopard, is in the premier new structure which is 21 feet tall with ramps, shelves and ladders. He can often be seen lounging on a platform high in the air. Near JR is a new bobcat and two new lynx enclosures. There is also an

enclosure that was rebuilt and expanded to house two caracals. Be sure to look for these cats when you arrive or after your tour.



Also in the front but off exhibit is Vigo, a savannah, that came

from Virginia. He was a family pet and began to spray and the family decided it was best to

rehome him. He is a very sweet boy who is extremely vocal and enjoys talking to his keepers and the serval who lives next door.

New Property:

We have started to work on the new property that was purchased in 2019. We have several proposed projects including the possibility of a new veterinary clinic. There is still a lot of planning and work to be done before we can move forward including clean up. We literally have hundreds of downed trees that need cut up and removed so please keep us in mind for firewood. Watch our website or call 812-835-1130 for more information.

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Peter Emily Foundation Spring Mission



On April 9th and 10th the Peter Emily Foundation, University of Illinois Anesthesia department and our Vets: Dr. Fred Froderman and Dr. Dandee White provided dental care for 13 cats. This is the largest number of patients to receive dental care on a weekend mission. We can not thank everyone enough for the continued dental care. We are already planning the fall mission.







Ready to immobilize

Loading for the clinic

Examination and dental treatment

Covid:

The last couple of years have been hard on us as it has been on everyone. Now hopefully things are getting better for all of us. So, welcome back we have missed you.

New Indiana Law:

The Indiana House Enrolled Act No. 1248 goes into effect on July 1. This law is meant to prevent the kinds of animal abuse celebrated in the Netflix series Tiger King. Tigers (and other animals) are bred so the babies may be used for photos or "playtime" to bring in money then are disposed of when they start to grow and become dangerous. We are all in favor of the practice being stopped. Unfortunately some of this Act is off point and will have a large impact on the EFRC. We must build around 3,000 feet of secondary barrier that is more decorative than functional at the cost of approximately \$7.00 per linear foot. Some of our regular tour route may have to be closed. We are currently trying to work out a plan that will allow visitors to see all of the cats that they now see. As of now a substantial amount of that work is nearing completion (the easy part) and we ask our visitors to be patient with the on going construction.

We are currently interviewing for fulltime summer help. We need tour guides and help in the merchandise building. Send a resume to efrcoffice@frontier.com.

Volunteer Orientation: We hope to begin volunteer orientation soon. With summer coming and visitors again being able to visit we will need people to help in the merchandise building and to give tours. Again, watch our website for dates and times.

Onsite fundraisers: We regret that we may not be able to put on as many or the same special events as in the past but we had our first on site fundraiser since 2019 on May 1. We hope to continue to schedule more events this year. Again watch our website and social media for information.

See more pictures and read the rescue stories of all of our residents on our website at www.efrc.org/ourcats!

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Mission Statement:

Our Mission is to provide permanent homes for exotic felines that have been abused, abandoned or for some reason have nowhere to live out their lives, while educating the public about these beautiful cats.

- We do not buy, sell, or breed cats.
- We provide excellent veterinary care.
- We provide stable social groups.
- We provide enhanced natural environments.
- We give rescued animals a home for life.

Without your help, our mission would not be possible!

MAKE YOUR GIFT ONLINE: efrc.org/donate



A day in the life of Bolero

I started life in sunny California but in 2019 after two wild fires and a flood my former home had to closed. Myself and 14 other cats had to be rehomed and we started our trip to Indiana. It is a long ride from California to Indiana and we were not sure what awaited us.

Once we got here my life couldn't be better unless I lived on the plains in Africa. I wake up every morning to a huge grassy area. Although I spend about 18 hours sleeping I can run, nap on my climbing tower and destroy boomer balls and barrels. I watch people who come to visit.



The food is great and I have a large menu to choose from including chicken, turkey, deer and red meat with bone! I live alone but two of the girls from California are nearby and we frequently talk.

I am on the main tour so when you come to visit be sure your guide points me out.



There are now TWO online stores to get your favorite EFRC clothing, magnets, and more for you or as gifts for family and friends. We have the **Online Store** that features classic designs that are also available on-site in our gift shop. We also have the **Specialty Store** that allows us to keep a larger stock of ever changing new items that we can't keep on-site.



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