

# Found Kittens? Don't KIT-NAP!

*If you've found kittens in JACKSONVILLE  
here's what to do.*

**START  
HERE:** Are the kittens injured  
or critically sick?

**YES**

**CALL 904-630-CITY**  
or make a service request online  
at [myjax.custhelp.com](http://myjax.custhelp.com).

↓ **NO**

## ESTIMATE THE AGE OF THE KITTENS



**0-2 WEEKS OLD**

Eyes closed or  
barely open



**2-4 WEEKS OLD**

Eyes open and  
alert; becoming  
mobile



**4-6 WEEKS OLD**

Very mobile and  
often talkative;  
can eat food



**6-8 WEEKS OLD**

Very active and  
playful; around  
1-2 pounds



**8+ WEEKS OLD**

Very active and  
playful; 2 pounds  
or more

**STOP!** Can you see the mom cat **OR** a nest?

**YES**

### DON'T KIT-NAP!

A kitten's best chance of  
survival is with mom. **Leave the  
kittens where they are.**

If you want to help, make sure  
mom has access to shelter,  
food, and water. Work with a  
spay/neuter group to have mom  
and kittens fixed when ready.

**NO**

### 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,** utilize  
social media and your personal  
network to try and place them in  
homes. Check with local shelters  
and clinics about spay/neuter  
options. Remember to include mom  
and dad ... help stop the cycle!

If you step in, you are assuming the  
responsibility to provide care and  
raise the kittens. Check with local  
organizations and your veterinarian  
for support and resources to help  
you with this option.

↑ **MOM CAME BACK**

↑ **STILL NO MOM**

Visit [jaxhumane.org/kittenhelp](http://jaxhumane.org/kittenhelp) for more kitten care resources.

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