



DID YOU FIND KITTENS!?

REMEMBER TO WAIT, WATCH, & WIN! FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW SO THAT EVERYONE IS A WINNER!

WAIT!

Don't move the kittens just yet! If the kittens are in a safe location it's very possible that mom is out looking for food or hiding nearby watching over them. The kittens are safest with their mom, at least until they are eating on their own.



WATCH!

To keep the kittens safe, keep an eye on them but don't get too close as this may scare mom away. She should return in about 4 to 6 hours to feed and care for her kittens. Kittens do not need to be with their mom constantly.

IF MOM RETURNS
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WIN!!!

By Waiting before intervening with found kittens everyone wins! Here are a few of the reasons why:

- If the kittens are 'kit-napped' Mom will lose the ability to provide essential nutrients and early socialization
- Bottle kittens are resource and time intensive and many shelters do not have the ability to care for them
- Kittens are given a better chance at survival

IF MOM DOES NOT RETURN
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Joining a foster program and/or caring for kittens until they are eating on their own greatly improves their chance of survival.

OC Animal Care can provide some supplies for bottle feeding fosters! Check out our website or email foster@occr.ocgov.com to join our program!