

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

YES

Contact IACS at IndyCARES@Indy.gov to make an intake request for injured kittens.

# **ESTIMATE THE AGE OF THE KITTENS**



HERE:

0-2 WEEKS OLD Eves closed or barely open

YES J



NO

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?

If the kittens are friendly, utilize social media and your personal network to place them in homes.

### **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 and contact a TNR 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!

**STILL NO MOM** 

Contact info@indyneighborhoodcats.org

to inquire about spay/neuter.

Contact IACS at IndyCARES@Indy.gov to make an intake request for confirmed orphan kittens.

MOM CAME BACK