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Feral Cat Found in Baldwin Borough Tests Positive for Rabies

PITTSBURGH – The Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) has been notified that a feral cat brought to a state laboratory has tested positive for rabies. The cat was discovered near the intersection of Campbell Drive and Fidelity Drive in Baldwin Borough.

Residents are reminded to always avoid contact with stray and wild animals to avoid potential rabies exposure and to make sure their pets are up-to-date on rabies vaccinations.

Rabies is a virus transmitted by an animal bite or scratch, and exposures due to a bite or scratch are almost always fatal when left untreated. Any individual who is bitten, scratched or otherwise exposed to saliva from a stray or any other animal, should immediately cleanse the contact area with soap and water, seek emergency medical treatment and call ACHD (412-687-2243) to report the incident.

This is the 23rd rabid animal reported in Allegheny County thus far in 2019: 16 raccoons, five (5) bats and two (2) cats.

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