



# Don't Kit-Nap Kittens!

**Mom will likely return. Please don't intervene.**

When we find a litter of kittens, our good-hearted instincts tell us to jump in and help. Thankfully, human intervention is typically not required. In fact, the best thing you can do is leave the kittens alone. Mom will likely return shortly, and it's critical that the kittens remain in her care as she offers the best chance for survival. If you are extremely certain that the kittens are orphaned, you can then step in and help by caring for the kittens until they're old enough to find homes.

The chart below will help you determine what steps to take if you've found kittens.

**Found kittens? STOP! Leave kittens alone.  
Mom offers the best chance for survival.**

YES



**Did mom return?**



NO

Hooray! Let her care for them until they are 8 weeks old. Make sure mom and all kittens get spayed and neutered. If they are not tame, call 904-425-0005 for help with Trap-Neuter-Return.

You'd make a great foster parent! During kitten season, shelters in Jax are overrun with kittens and don't have adequate resources to care for them. Please care for them in your home until 8 weeks old. Ask your veterinarian for support and check to see if resources are available: [jaxhumane.org/kittenhero](http://jaxhumane.org/kittenhero).



**Help them find homes.**

Be on the lookout for friends, family or neighbors looking to adopt a loving, fixed feline!



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