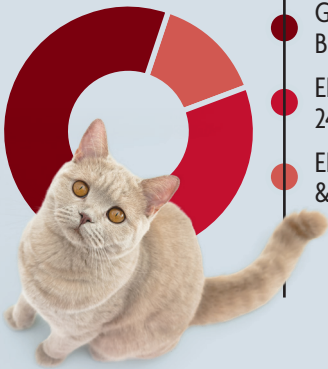


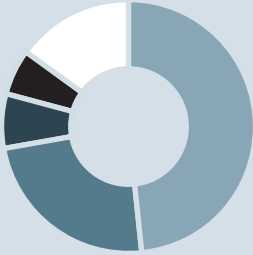
2025 financials

REVENUE



- GIFTS & BEQUESTS 61.4%
- ENDOWMENT INCOME 24.4%
- EDUCATION, OUTREACH & SERVICES 14.2%

EXPENSES



- RESEARCH FUNDING 48.7%
- EDUCATION, OUTREACH, PROGRAMS 23.8%
- COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY SUPPORT SERVICES 7.1%
- ADMINISTRATION 5.7%
- DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNICATIONS 14.7%



 College of Veterinary Medicine

Greetings from Ithaca,

I have always found the transition from the bright, warm climes of summer to the falling leaves and frostier temperatures of fall and winter here in the northeastern U.S. to be a time of contemplation. Contemplation of things that have passed and those that are to come, things that I am thankful for and those experiences that have been difficult but from which I have learned important lessons.

Here at the Center, as we contemplate where we are and where we are going, we understand the importance of acknowledging the impact of the past while continually building upon the foundation it has provided. To this end, it is our honor and pleasure to dedicate this annual report to a celebration of the life and impact of our beloved founder, Dr. Fredric Winthrop Scott, who we unfortunately lost in April of 2025.

To say that this dedication is bittersweet is the definition of an understatement, as knowing that Fred is no longer physically here with us leaves an incredibly large hole in the lives of the countless people and animals that he touched. At the same time, as we contemplate his impact upon those he loved, the profession he loved, and those animals and people who have benefitted and will continue to benefit from his dedication to expanding our scientific knowledge, improving clinical veterinary practice, and disseminating reliable information to those who need it, we are touched with the sweetness of his indelible impact and true kindness to all he encountered.

We would not be here today without Fred's vision, his passion for cats and those who love and care for them, and his dedication and deep seeded belief in the power of collaboration and knowledge.

As we pause to contemplate our storied past and our promising future, we are at once amazed and deeply thankful for having known Fred, having benefitted from his unique benevolence, and honored by being charged with carrying on the mission that he started over 50 years ago.

Of course, we are also deeply thankful for the generosity of our donors, whose kindness makes our shared mission possible. Our partnership is a shining example of what dedicated people can achieve for themselves and others together, and it is clear to me that Fred understood the importance of such partnerships in both his professional and personal lives deeply.

I trust that this note finds you and your feline friends doing well, and best regards from all of us here at the Center.



Best,

Bruce Kornreich D.V.M. '92, Ph.D. '05, DACVIM
Director, Cornell Feline Health Center
Cardiologist, Cornell University Hospital for Animals

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Fredric Scott's Legacy

Fredric Winthrop Scott, D.V.M. '62, Ph.D. '68 was not only a visionary in feline medicine who transformed the landscape of veterinary care for cats through decades of groundbreaking research, teaching, and advocacy, but also a magnanimous man of faith, humility, and kindness who cherished people, animals, and the world in which they live.

Dr. Scott was born in Greenfield, MA in 1935 and was raised on a dairy farm. His initial interest was in cattle, and this interest prompted him to pursue a career in veterinary medicine. This fateful decision would ultimately have profound effects on his chosen field and upon the many people and animals who practice and benefit from it.

After graduating from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Fred was accepted into the New York State College of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University in 1962. He cherished his time here as a student, and after graduating and spending two years in rural veterinary practice, he returned to Cornell for graduate training in the laboratory of Dr. James Gillespie, where he first focused on bovine winter dysentery and ultimately on feline viral diseases.



He received his Ph.D. from Cornell in 1968 and joined its faculty as a professor of virology in the Department of Microbiology, Immunology, and Parasitology, where his seminal work on the pathophysiology of panleukopenia virus and feline infectious peritonitis and on the development of vaccines against panleukopenia and other agents was highly impactful. Fred was a dedicated educator of

Fred Scott Video Playlist

A small collection of Feline Health Center videos featuring Dr. Fredric Scott. Scan the QR codes to view the videos.



Humble Beginnings



Key People



A Little Room



Points of Pride

INTERIOR



Fred Scott surrounded by colleagues at the Cornell Feline Health Center 50th Anniversary party

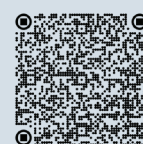
veterinary students, practicing veterinarians, and the cat-loving public, and he ultimately went on to author over 200 peer reviewed manuscripts, many of which formed the basis for dramatic improvements in the diagnosis and prevention of feline infectious diseases.

Recognizing the need to garner support for research of the diseases of the cat, Fred drafted a memo entitled "A Dream for the Future" to Dr. Gillespie on March 9, 1973, in which he outlined his concept of a privately funded feline center within the College of Veterinary Medicine. The Cornell Board of Trustees ultimately approved the creation of The Cornell Feline Research Laboratory on February 12, 1974, and the rest, as they say, is history.

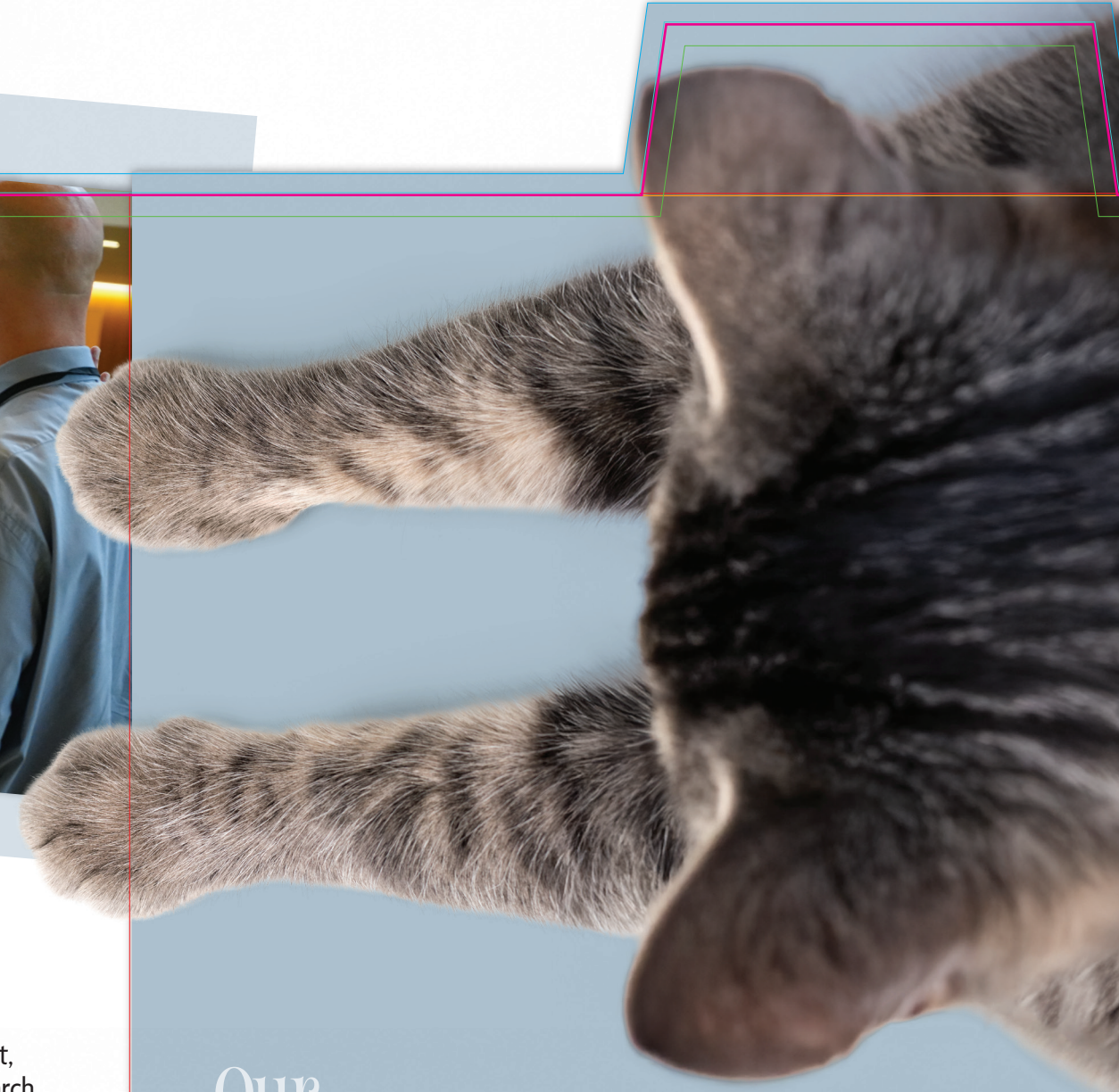
From these humble beginnings, and with Fred's stalwart leadership of 25 years, the unit that ultimately became the Cornell Feline Health Center went on to become the world-renowned entity that it is today. The Center continues to pursue its goal of making the world a better place for all cats through the support of feline-focused research at Cornell University and the provision of education and support to veterinary professionals and the cat loving public, all with Fred's inspiration close at heart.

Fred was a kind, humble, open-minded, and dedicated man of faith who strived to serve and assist others. He had many passions, the dearest of which were his family and faith, but he also cherished sports, the outdoors, community construction projects, and milling lumber, to name a few. Everything he did, he did with a smile on his face and true support of and love for those around him.

He was a pioneer in the true sense of the word, and as we mourn his passing, we also celebrate his extraordinary life, which has deeply and positively impacted those around him in his time and will continue to do so well beyond it.



Read more about the legacy of Dr. Fredric Scott



Our mission is to improve the lives of cats through research, education, and outreach.

2025 *by the numbers*

Our **grants program provided over \$700,000** to fund twelve feline-focused grant proposals throughout FY '25.

With over **3.6 million visitors in 2025**, the Cornell Feline Health Center (CFHC) website is seen as one of the most trusted sources for feline health information across the web.

We hosted the **37th annual Fred Scott Feline Symposium**, our world-renowned hybrid professional continuing education symposium focused on providing veterinarians, licensed veterinary technicians, students and researchers with a unique, cutting edge educational experience. Over **450 attendees from 27 countries** across the globe joined us this year.

CFHC appeared in over **2,000 media outlets, reaching over 6.2 billion readers** in top outlets such as MSN, Business Insider, and Newsweek.

The CFHC Rapid Response Fund took aim at the latest emerging threat to feline health by **providing over \$400,000 to establish the Cornell Feline Health Center Feline H5N1 Surveillance Consortium**, a team of Cornell researchers focused on investigating the growing risk of Avian Influenza to domestic cats.

We gained over **300 new Cornell Feline Health Center members** and connected with over **6,000 new e-news subscribers** who are kept up to date on the most recent advances in feline health and the Center's mission.

Nearly **1200 active members** currently support the work of the Cornell Feline Health Center while enjoying access to a wide range of valuable benefits, including exclusive quarterly webinars, monthly health tips, and discounts on our Camuti Consultation Service and informational feline health brochures. Check out our website for a full list of benefits.



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By joining us at our highest membership level (\$500), **over 180 of our most dedicated supporters make up our Feline Founder's Circle**. The generosity of these and all of our members helps support the Cornell Feline Health Center's mission to fund groundbreaking feline health research, provide cutting-edge feline health education, and conduct vital outreach to veterinary professionals and the cat loving public.

The **results of over 80 CFHC-funded studies have been published** in peer reviewed journals in the last twenty years.

Over **130 feline health topic summaries** covering a wide range of feline health issues are available on our website.

We provided **146 direct, one-on-one consultations** to cat owners, veterinary professionals, and breeders in 2025 through our unique Louis J. Camuti Memorial Feline Consultation Service.



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