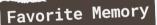
FOSTER SPOTLIGHT

Meet MacKenzie

South West Denver

The best part of fostering is watching these tiny (often sick) animals grow healthy and strong. To know those babies wouldn't have survived without fosters to take them in is such a haunting reality, but the joy of helping them become someone's best friend and giving them a life is unlike anything else.



I had spent a few hours baking and decorating a cake and sat down on the couch to watch my favorite show and enjoy my yummy masterpiece. Out of nowhere, Bitty came running across the couch faster than I had ever seen a cat move. He attempted to jump over my legs but jumped into my plate, knocking the cake and red

frosting onto my light blue blanket. He looked so surprised and then immediately started to eat the cake! I couldn't help but laugh as I tried to pull him away and clean up the mess while he growled in defense of his food, taking giant bites every chance. That was just who he was, fearless, stubborn, and always rushing into things. Every time I see that red stain I

smile.









Some Encouragement

Remember that these cats have been through a lot. Some of these cats have come from hoarding situations; they've been in cages in shelters, they might've lived outside and never been in a house! Everything they know has been changed. You might feel like you will bring them home, and they will thrive instantly because they are safe now. It will take some time for them to settle in and feel comfortable with you, and that's okay! It doesn't mean they hate you or you are doing something wrong. Give them love, comfort, and time, and they'll come around..