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EMERGENCY/DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

For Pets

WHY HAVE A PLAN?

You are responsible for the safety of your pet(s). If you need to evacuate, your plans should include your pets, along with yourself and your family. Be prepared to transport your animals and to provide care and shelter for them for at least 72 hours away from home.

WHAT CAN I DO AHEAD OF TIME?

- Keep vaccinations and preventative care up to date. Keep medical records and veterinary contact information with your evacuation kit. Include microchip information and recent photos of you with your pet for identification.
- Build your evacuation kit (see checklist).
- Make arrangements with nearby family, friends and neighbors who are willing to agree to assist one another with evacuations if necessary. Make sure they have access to carriers and emergency kits.

HOW DO I TAKE MY ANIMALS?

Have one crate/cage per pet, labeled with name, address, phone number and an alternate contact. It should be large enough for the animal to stand up, turn around and lie down comfortably, with room for food and water dishes; for cats, it must also fit a small litter box. Make sure they're wearing collars/harnesses with ID and have their microchip information up to date.

WHERE DO I TAKE MY ANIMALS?

If possible, make plans with family or friends who are willing to take care of your pets temporarily. Other options include boarding kennels, animal hospitals or pet-friendly hotels. During a large-scale evacuation, authorities may designate a public evacuation shelter. If you must go to a public shelter, your animals will likely not be able to stay with you (with the exception of certified service animals).

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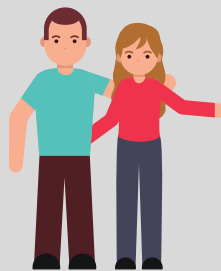
EVACUATION KIT CHECKLIST

- ___ Crate/carrier for transport, with bedding
- ___ Food and water for 3 days (rotate stock)
- ___ Dishes, utensils, manual can opener
- ___ All medications
- ___ Medical records (in waterproof container)
- ___ ID info (microchip information, photos)
- ___ Treats and toys
- ___ Cat litter, box and scooper
- ___ Leashes, harnesses, muzzle (if necessary)
- ___ Pet first aid kit
- ___ Grooming supplies
- ___ Gloves and towels (for handling)
- ___ Paper towels, newspaper, trash bags
- ___ Written feeding schedule and behavior notes
- ___ List of animal emergency contacts

PET SHELTER OPTIONS



**Boarding kennel/
animal hospital**



Friends/Family



Pet-friendly Hotels

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Owner name _____

Owner Cell Phone _____

Veterinarian _____

Animal Control _____

Important Plan Details _____

PEOPLE WITH PET CARE PERMISSION

Name _____

Phone number _____

Alternate _____

ALTERNATE CONTACT WITH PET INFORMATION

Name _____

Phone number _____

Alternate _____

NOTES: _____
