



# PROTECT YOUR PETS!

Does your family include a cat, dog, or other furry or feathered friend? You'll need to consider their survival during an emergency as well! An emergency plan and kit will bring peace of mind, and the assurance that your whole family is prepared to survive, if a disaster occurs.

Ensure your pet is wearing a collar with up-to-date information, such as your name and phone number, and get your pet microchipped – this is an additional safeguard to make it easier to be reunited with them if you become separated.

If you need assistance evacuating during a disaster, alert first responders that there are pets inside your home. Use a 'Pets Inside' rescue sticker, and list how many pets, what kind of pets, and their names. If you are evacuating with your pets, write 'all pets evacuated' on the sticker before leaving.

## MAKE A PLAN

- Always take your pets with you if you evacuate!
- Create a buddy system with neighbors in the event you're not home.
- Prearrange an evacuation site outside of your immediate area, for your family including pets.
- Document your pets' info, including medical conditions and medications.
- Practice your plan and familiarize your pet with the process of leaving your home urgently.



## MAKE A KIT

- Have two weeks' worth of food and water for your pets. Pack bowls, leashes, treats, a familiar bed or blanket and a toy for comfort, and a photo of your pet.
- Have cleaning supplies, such as dog waste bags or a litterbox and litter.
- Make sure to include vet records and any medications, too!
- Include a pet first aid kit.
- Create a list of pet-friendly hotels and/or boarding facilities, and keep it in your pet's emergency kit.

### PET EMERGENCY KIT CHECKLIST

- ✓ Food (don't forget treats!)
- ✓ Water
- ✓ Bowls for food/water
- ✓ Medications and vet records
- ✓ First aid kit
- ✓ Leash, and collar with ID
- ✓ Microchip info
- ✓ Medical records
- ✓ Cleaning products (dog waste bags, litter box, paper towels, trash bags)
- ✓ Picture of you and your pet
- ✓ Crate or pet carrier
- ✓ Familiar bed/blanket and a toy
- ✓ Can opener (if needed)
- ✓ Pet-friendly hotels/boarding facilities
- ✓ Specialty supplies for small animals/birds/reptiles if needed (heating pad, dietary supplements, etc)