

Pet Preparedness

When preparing for an emergency, make sure your entire family is ready by planning for your pet. Below are some helpful tips to ensure your furry friend is ready for any in home shelter or evacuation event:

PET SHELTERS

Where will your pet stay?

PET IDENTIFICATION

Does your pet have proper ID?

SUPPLIES

What does your pet need?

Pet Shelters

Many emergency shelters do not allow pets, unless they are service animals. Identify a safe place to take your pet by calling and asking local resources like the ones listed below:

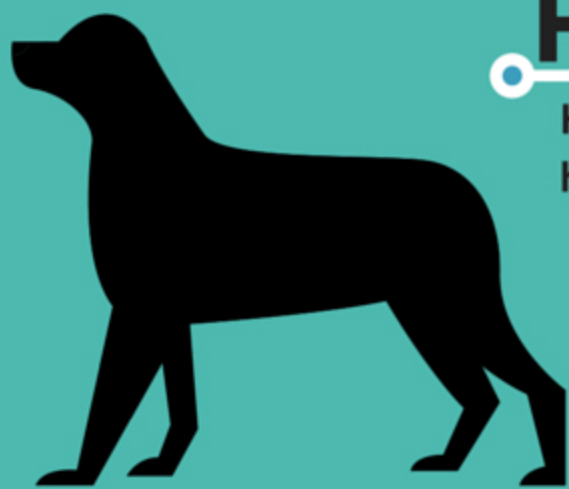
- Your veterinary office
- Local animal shelters
- Kennels nearby
- Boarding facilities
- Pet- friendly hotels
- Friends and family



Pet Identification

Here are some tips to help your pet return home safely if lost during an emergency:

- Ensure that your pets ID tags are up to date
- Carry a recent photo of you and your pet to help so that others can help you reunite
- Consider microchipping your pet so that others can help with their return home



Pet Disaster Kit Supply List

- Food
- Water
- Travel bowls
- Extra collar and leash
- Toys
- Blanket
- Sanitary supplies (newspaper, cat litter, etc.)
- Carrier or cage
- Cage cover for transporting
- First aid items and medicines

What is a Service Animal

A service animal is any guide dog, signal dog, or other animal individually trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability. A person with a service animal may not be asked to remove the animal unless:

1. The animal is out of control
2. The animal poses a direct threat

Make sure you and your pet are prepared to evacuate or shelter in place.

For more information go to <https://www.ready.gov/animals>