

## WHO TO CALL FOR HELP

<b>ALL EMERGENCIES</b>	<b>DIAL 9-1-1</b>
Non-Emergency Jefferson County Emergency Communications Center	304-725-8484
Jefferson County Homeland Security and Emergency Management	304-724-8914
Jefferson County Animal Control	304-728-3289

### 24-Hour Emergency Veterinarians

Blue Ridge Veterinary Associates	540-338-7787
Mountain View Animal Emergency	301-733-7339
The Life Center	703-777-5755
Valley Veterinary Emergency Center	540-662-7811

Veterinarian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Boarding Kennel Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Boarding Kennel Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet-friendly Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet-friendly Hotel Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Sitter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Sitter Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**During disasters/emergencies:** Please listen to your local radio stations, your local television stations and monitor Comcast: Channel 19 on your TV for disaster information from the local Emergency Operations Center. A NON-Emergency telephone number will be listed to call if you need assistance from the EOC.

## STEP 3: STAY INFORMED

It is important to stay informed about what might happen and know what type of emergencies are likely to affect the region as well as what is happening. We recommend going to [ready.gov](http://ready.gov) to learn more about disasters, [www.avma.org](http://www.avma.org) for more detailed information on pet preparedness. Sign up for Nixle Alerts for up timely, local, and Important information during a disaster.

### Sign Up for Nixle Alerts

Jefferson County Homeland Security and Emergency Management now offers emergency alert notifications by text, e-mail, Twitter, and Facebook through a product called Nixle. In order to sign up for these alerts go to <http://local.nixle.com/register> or text your Jefferson County zip code to 888777 and then text JCHSEM to the same number. There is no charge to sign up for Nixle services

### Follow us on Facebook and Twitter!

To 'like' us on Facebook, just log into your Facebook account and search for "Jefferson County WV Homeland Security and Emergency Management" or <https://www.facebook.com/JeffersonCountyHSEM>

Follow us on Twitter at [@JCHSEM](https://twitter.com/JCHSEM). Visit our pages often to find out the latest information on upcoming events, meetings, activities, and weather alerts.

### JEFFERSON COUNTY HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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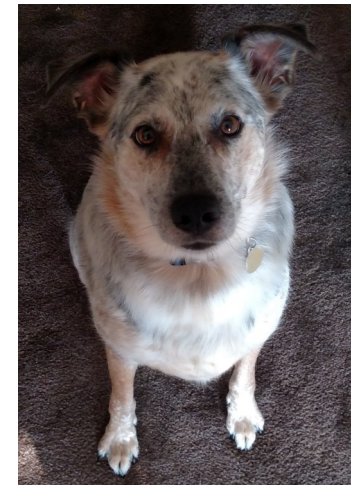
<http://www.jeffersoncountywv.org/county-government/departments/homeland-security-and-emergency-management>



## JEFFERSON COUNTY HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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## Disaster Preparedness for Pets



304-724-8914

## STEP 1: MAKE A PET DISASTER PREPAREDNESS KIT

These items should be collected for each pet in the household. Be sure to check the emergency supply kit at least every six months.

**Food and Water:** Store at least five days of food and water specifically for your pets to use. Store in an airtight, waterproof containers. If you have canned foods, pack a manual can opener and spoon, if needed. Include no-spill food and water dishes.

**Medicines and Medical Records:** Keep an extra supply of medicines that your pet takes on a regular basis in a waterproof container. In addition, place copies of your pet's registration information, adoption papers, vaccination documents (including vaccination type with date and rabies certificates), and medical records in a clean plastic bag or waterproof container and add them to your kit.

**First Aid Kit:** Talk to your veterinarian for specific items for your pet. Most kits should include: cotton bandage rolls, bandage tape, scissors, antibiotic ointment, flea and tick prevention, medical gloves, isopropyl alcohol, thermometer, tweezers, washcloth, eye rinse, and saline solution. Include a pet first aid reference book.

**Sanitation:** Include pet litter, scoop, and litter box if appropriate, newspapers, puppy pads, paper towels, plastic trash bags, and non-scented bleach to use as a disinfectant.

**Crate or other pet carrier:** If you need to evacuate in an emergency situation, take your pets and animals with you, provided that it is practical to do so. Have a sturdy, safe, comfortable crate or carrier ready for transporting your pet. The carrier should be large enough for your pet to stand, turn around, and lie down. Be sure to familiarize your pet with the crate prior to the emergency.

**Collar with ID tag, harness, muzzle, and leash:** Your pet should wear a collar with its rabies tag and identification at all times. Include a backup leash, collar, and ID tag in your pet's emergency supply kit. You should consider getting permanent identification such as microchipping and enrolling your pet in a recovery database.

**A picture of you with your pet:** If you become separated from your pet during an emergency, a current picture of you with your pet will help you document ownership and allow others to assist you in identifying your pet. Include detailed information about name, species, breed, age, sex, color, and distinguishing characteristics.

**Familiar Items:** Put favorite toys, treats, or bedding in your kit. Familiar items can help reduce stress for your pet.

## STEP 2: MAKE A PLAN FOR YOUR PET

Use whatever you have on hand to take care of yourself and ensure your pet's safety during an emergency. Depending on your circumstances and the type of emergency, the important first decision is shelter in place or leave: you should understand and plan for both.

**Create a plan to get away:** Plan how you will assemble your pets and anticipate where you will go. If you must evacuate, take your pets with you if practical. If you go to a public shelter, keep in mind your animals may not be allowed inside. Pet shelters may be set up adjacent to public shelters. We recommend that you secure appropriate lodging in advance depending on the number and type of animals in your care.

Other options may include: a hotel or motel that takes pets or a boarding facility, such as a kennel or veterinary hospital that is near an evacuation facility, or your family's meeting place. Find out before an emergency happens if any of these facilities in your area might be viable options for you and your pets.

**Develop a buddy system:** Plan with neighbors, friends, or relatives to make sure that someone is available to care for or evacuate your pets if you are unable to do so. Talk with your pet care buddy about your evacuation plans and show them where you keep your pets emergency supply kit. Also designate specific locations, one in your immediate neighborhood and another farther away, where you will meet in an emergency.

**Talk to your pet's veterinarian about planning:** Discuss the types of things that you should include in your pet's emergency first aid kit. Get the names of vets or veterinary hospitals in other cities where you might need to seek temporary shelter (regional 24 hour veterinarian hospitals are included in this brochure). You should also consider talking with your veterinarian about permanent identification such as microchipping, and enrolling your pet in a recovery database. If your pet is microchipped, keeping your emergency contact information up to date and listed with a reliable recovery database is essential to your being reunited with your pet.

**Gather contact information for emergency animal treatment:** Make a list of contact information and addresses of area animal control agencies and emergency veterinary hospitals. Keep one copy of these phone numbers with you and one in your pet's emergency supply kit.

**Additional recommendation:** Obtain "Pets Inside" stickers and place them on your doors or windows, including information on the number and types of pets in your home to alert firefighters and rescue workers. Consider putting a phone number on the sticker where you could be reached in an emergency. If time permits, remember to write the words "Evacuated with Pets" across the stickers, should you leave with your pets.

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Photo  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ as of \_\_\_\_\_

Spayed or Neutered (Please Circle) Yes or No.

If yes, date: \_\_\_\_\_

Color/Markings: \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies Tag No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Microchip Identification No: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Date of Vaccinations: \_\_\_\_\_

Any illness or major surgery: \_\_\_\_\_

Food (Brand and Amount Used): \_\_\_\_\_

RX# \_\_\_\_\_

Drug Name and Dose \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Make a copy for each pet in your family.