

## Disaster Planning For Your Pets: Do You Know What To Pack?

In case of an emergency DO NOT WAIT now is the time to create emergency evacuation plans that include your pets. Animals Deserve Better, Inc would like to offer the following list of essential items to pack in advance for your animal companions, should you ever be faced with evacuation:

- Pet first-aid kit and guide book
- 3 to 7 days worth of canned (pop-top) or dry food
- Disposable litter trays (aluminum roasting pans are perfect)
- Litter or paper toweling
- Liquid dish soap and disinfectant
- Disposable garbage bags for clean-up
- Dishes for food and water
- Extra harness and leash
- Photocopies of medical records
- Waterproof container with a two-week supply of any medicine your pet requires
- Bottled water—at least seven days' worth for each person and pet
- Traveling bag, crate or sturdy carrier, ideally one for each pet
- Flashlight
- Blanket
- Recent color photos of your pet(s)
- Pet Grab 'N Go Bag (can be crucial to protecting your pet's paperwork)
- Especially for cats: Pillowcase, toys, scoopable litter
- Especially for dogs: Long leash and yard stake, toys and chew toys, a week's worth of cage liner