

spcaLA CAN HELP



spcaLA works with local, state, national and international agencies to provide emergency services for animals during disasters, including front-line veterinary care, temporary shelter & food.

DISASTER STRIKES

Fires: Hot, dry weather and an abundance of dry grass, brush and timber make Southern California a prime target for wild-fires. Animals that cannot be transported quickly, like horses, livestock and exotic animals, are often left behind.

Floods, Mudslides, Tsunamis: Flooding can be especially prevalent after a heavy rain in fire zones. You and your pets may need to evacuate quickly, or could be left without fresh water or food for an extended period of time.

Earthquakes: Earthquakes can strike at any time, with no warning. Often, owners are at work and cannot return home to care for or evacuate their pets.

spcaLA TO THE RESCUE

Since 1877, spcaLA has provided rescue and aid to animals in crisis throughout Southern California & beyond. spcaLA assisted animals & their families after the LA Riots, the Northridge Earthquake, the Station Fire, Hurricanes Katrina & Ike, as well as the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and countless other disasters.



2005 Hurricane Katrina



2007 Malibu Fire



2009 Station Fire

spcaLA RESPONDS

Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Los Angeles (spcaLA) is Southern California's premiere animal welfare organization. spcaLA is dedicated to preventing cruelty to animals through Education, Law Enforcement, Intervention & Advocacy. spcaLA's Disaster Animal Response Team (DART)[™] was formalized in 1993 in an effort to assist the people and animals of Southern California and beyond in times of crisis.

*spcaLA is an independent, nonprofit, 501(c)(3) animal welfare organization.
There is no national spca or humane society.*

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PREPARE YOUR PETS FOR A DISASTER

① Get a Kit

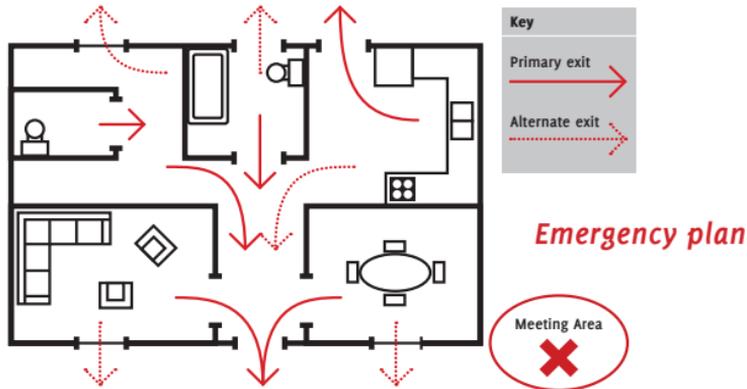
You may need to survive on your own after an emergency.

② Make a Plan

Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so it is important to plan in advance.

③ Be Informed

Learn more about what can happen in your community, and how to keep your family—including your animals—safe.



Your “Pet Disaster Kit” may include:

- Current copies of vaccination records, and veterinarian contact information;
- Current photos of your pets, in case you become separated;
- Collar with current ID tags, leash and/or carrier to safely transport your pets;
- Minimum of **three weeks** supply of your pets’ food and bottled water;
- Bowls, can opener and utensils for feeding your pets;
- Treats and toys to comfort and ease stress;
- First aid kit (should include antiseptic, topical ointment, dressing, any prescribed pet medications and a pet first aid book);
- Soft muzzle (official evacuation efforts will often not let un-muzzled dogs on transports, regardless of disposition);
- Blankets or towels;
- Disposable baggies to pick up after your dog(s);
- Cat litter, scooper and temporary litter box for your cat(s) or rabbit(s) (disposable aluminum foil pans work well);
- A plan for a trusted friend or neighbor to get your pets to safety, should you be at work when disaster strikes;
- A back-up plan to board your animal during disaster (veterinarian, boarding facility, etc);
- An “Animals Evacuated” sign to alert authorities that pets have been removed from the premises.