

Tips for Service Animals and Pet Owners

This informational form is designed to provide an activities checklist for those who are deaf or hard of hearing in order to improve their personal emergency preparedness in a disaster or emergency. Preparation for disasters takes time and effort. If needed, do a little at a time or as your energy and budget permits. The important thing is to start preparing yourself now. The more prepared you are, the more confident you will be that you can protect yourself and your loved ones in times of emergency situations.

Date Completed	Activity	Preparedness Details
/ /	Licenses and I.D. Tags	Ensure your service animals and pets have Current licenses and I.D. tags with both your home phone number and out-of-town contact person.
	Animal Care	Plan how your pets will be cared for if you have to evacuate. Pets may not be allowed in Reception Centers or Group Lodging facilities. You should have several animal shelters identified.
	Animal behavior modification	Pets and service animals will often become confused, panicked, frightened or disoriented during and after a disaster. They should be kept confined or securely leashed or harnessed so they can be managed.
	Service Animal Evacuation Kit	<p>You should have an animal evacuation kit ready and kept in a secure and convenient location. This kit should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bowl for water and food ▪ Food ▪ Blanket for bedding ▪ Plastic bags and paper towels for feces disposal ▪ Neosporin ointment for minor wounds ▪ Favorite toy ▪ Extra harness, leash ▪ Medicine