Evacuation Kit

Make a checklist of the items below. Keep them in a water proof bin ready to go at a moment's notice. Keep everything accessible and stored in sturdy containers that can be carried easily.

- Current photos of you with your animal companions including descriptions of them to help others identify them in case you and your animals become separated—and to prove that they are yours once you're reunited.
- Stay up to date with <u>animal vaccinations</u>. Make copies of all recent vaccination records (for each animal) and bring a copy of these records with you.
- Proper I.D. & Vaccination Tags It is imperative that your companion wears his or her ID tags at all times so they can be properly identified, if you are separated. Maintaining up-to-date identification information on tags is critical. Put your cell phone number on the tag. Include numbers of a friend or relative outside your immediate area. <u>Microchips</u> are an excellent tool because if their collar falls off, your animal companion has a built-in identification system.
- Written information about your animals' feeding schedules, medical conditions, and behavior issues along with the name and number of your veterinarian in case you have to board your pets or place them in foster care.
- Collars
- Sturdy leashes & harnesses
- Transport carriers <u>Collapsible or sturdy options</u>
- Water bowls
- Bottled water (for you and the animals)
- Food bowls
- Treats
- Food dry (Keep in an airtight container. Refresh every 6 months.)
- Food canned (Pack some of their favorites or special meals like tuna as a yummy surprise. Giving them their yummy favorites will help relieve stress.)
- If they are on a raw diet you will want to make at least a week's worth of meals and freeze them.
- Poop bags

- Garbage bags
- Litter box + litter + scoop
- Cooler for frozen or cold items
- Prescription medications Have an adequate supply if they are currently on any.
- Supplements (glucosamine, salmon oil, calcium, etc.)
- Toys an important stress reliever
- Bedding comfy animals = relaxed animals
- Scratching posts (so kitties don't destroy other people's furniture)
- Cat nip When all else fails, get kitty stoned.
- Anything that will calm them: <u>Feliway</u> or <u>DAP</u>, aromatherapy (<u>Rescue Remedy</u>, <u>HomeoPet</u>, <u>Spirit</u> <u>Essences™ Easy-Traveler</u>, <u>thunder shirts</u>
- Brushes
- Hand sanitizer
- Seat belts or restraints for any animal not kenneled
- Animal First Aid Kit
- Disaster Preparedness Kits for animals
- First Aid Pet App Includes first aid videos and vaccine tracking
- SAS Survival Guide App
- Silly putty or Play-Doh ~ This is a must-have human de-stressor for the driver or passenger. It has saved many stressed out minds while sitting for hours in traffic on the highways.
- iBooks download them and have ready for the many hours that you could be sitting in the car for hours during a mass evacuation.

