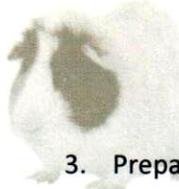




## Plan and Prepare to avoid Pet Despair.

We are reminding you to prepare a pet safety plan to protect your animals.

1. Have your pets relocated in advance of the impending storm to a safe location. Think about moving your pet to another family member's or a friend's house if you live in a low lying area prone to flooding. During an emergency evacuation you may not be able to take your pets with you. Pets cannot survive on their own and may go missing before you return home.
2. Animals have greater instincts and will begin to panic during an emergency. Make sure they are placed in a secure pet carry which clearly has the pets information:
  - a. License
  - b. Name
  - c. Owners information
  - d. Contact number
  - e. Medical information
  - f. Veterinary records and medication
3. Prepare a pet-survival kit
  - a. Water
  - b. Food (moist food would be best and minimizing the need for water)
  - c. Medications
  - d. Food dishes
  - e. Cat litter/pan
  - f. First aid kit
4. Know your emergency shelter:
  - a. MCSPCA
  - b. Humane Society
5. Separate dogs and cats and small pets, even if they normally get along, anxiety may cause them to act irrationally.



Helpful websites:

[www.fem.gov/plan/prepare/animals.shtm](http://www.fem.gov/plan/prepare/animals.shtm)

[www.nj.gov/agriculture/divisions/ah/prog/emergency\\_preparedness.html](http://www.nj.gov/agriculture/divisions/ah/prog/emergency_preparedness.html)

[monmouthcountyspca.org/](http://monmouthcountyspca.org/)

[secure.humanesociety.org/](http://secure.humanesociety.org/)

