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## **Emergency Pet Preparedness**

The County of Los Angeles is experiencing critical fire weather and is under a Particularly Dangerous Situation Red Flag advisory starting Tuesday, January 7, 2025, until Friday, January 10, 2025. The areas from the Antelope Valley to Santa Clarita—including the Santa Monica, Malibu, and the Santa Susana Mountains—are especially vulnerable to extreme weather conditions.

The County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control (DACC) wants to assure the public it is ready to respond to evacuations if the need arises but also encourages everyone to be prepared with an evacuation plan that includes your pets and livestock.

Information about emergency preparedness for animals can be found on DACC's website at: <a href="https://animalcare.lacounty.gov/emergency-response/">https://animalcare.lacounty.gov/emergency-response/</a>. Pet owners can find a list of items to put in their pet's "go bag" at <a href="https://ready.lacounty.gov/pet-disaster-supply-kits/">https://ready.lacounty.gov/emergency-response/</a>. A wealth of emergency preparedness information is also available at <a href="Ready.LACounty.gov">Ready.LACounty.gov</a> and the FEMA "Petpared" website at <a href="Are you "Petpared" for Disasters?">Are you "Petpared" for Disasters?</a> | FEMA.gov.

### **About Noah's Legacy Fund**

The Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation's (Foundation) Noah's Legacy Fund supports the Department's emergency response efforts. These services are critical to the communities DACC serves as it continues to respond to the wildfires, flooding, and earthquakes that can occur. The Foundation has purchased emergency response supplies, as well as mobile medical triage ambulances, tow vehicles, and evacuation trailers for horses, livestock, and household pets. The Foundation is a four-star rated charity by Charity Navigator and has achieved the Platinum Transparency rating from Candid.

Learn more at <a href="https://lacountyanimals.org/way-to-give/disaster-relief/">https://lacountyanimals.org/way-to-give/disaster-relief/</a>

#### **About the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control**

DACC is one of the largest animal care and control agencies in the nation, operating seven animal care centers and providing services to more than three million residents and their pets. DACC operates under the nationally recognized Socially Conscious Sheltering model to ensure the best possible outcomes for animals and the community. As a community resource center for pets and owners, DACC protects people and animals from harm, provides care for lost and unwanted animals, reunites lost pets with their families, and strives every day to move closer to its goal of finding a loving home for every adoptable pet that comes through its doors. To learn more about DACC, the resources DACC provides, and view its animals, visit <a href="https://animalcare.lacounty.gov">https://animalcare.lacounty.gov</a> or follow us on <a href="facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="Instagram">Instagram</a>, and <a href="mailto:X">X</a> (formerly Twitter). To support DACC's efforts, please donate to the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation at

https://lacountyanimals.org/. To learn more about Socially Conscious Sheltering, visit https://scsheltering.org/.

## **About the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation**

The Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation supports the County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control through fundraising which supports spay and neuter programs, pet adoptions, public education, disaster response, and animal welfare. Many of the Foundation's fundraising efforts have enabled the department to enhance the care given to animals in the seven Los Angeles County animal care centers. To

learn more, visit <u>lacountyanimals.org</u>.