



An Animal Rescue Team volunteer helps with the daily care of a dog recovering in an emergency shelter.

VOLUNTEER WITH THE HSUS ANIMAL RESCUE TEAM

Are you looking for a way to put your love of animals into action? Volunteer with the HSUS Animal Rescue Team to help animals removed from life-threatening situations, including illegal cruelty and natural disasters.

When the Animal Rescue Team assists law enforcement in an animal seizure or responds to a natural disaster, volunteers are called in to help provide critical care to animals in our emergency shelters. The Animal Rescue Team needs volunteers from all walks of life for everything from direct care to logistical support and record-keeping. Our volunteers never forget the animals they help—or the people they meet—during these crucial missions.

For more details and to fill out an online application, visit humanesociety.org/rescuevolunteer.

Our Promise

We fight the big fights to end suffering for all animals.

Together with millions of supporters, we take on puppy mills, factory farms, trophy hunts, animal testing and other cruel industries. With our affiliates, we rescue and care for thousands of animals every year through our animal rescue team's work and other hands-on animal care services.

We fight all forms of animal cruelty to achieve the vision behind our name: a humane society. And we can't do it without you.



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ANIMAL RESCUE TEAM

Saving animals from cruelty
and natural disasters



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SAVED FROM CRUELTY



LEFT: An Animal Rescue Team member helps rescue a horse during a cruelty case. RIGHT: Members of the Animal Rescue Team navigate flood waters after a Hurricane.

The Humane Society of the United States has worked to help upgrade nearly all of the laws against illegal animal cruelty and fighting in the United States. We have also assisted law enforcement with thousands of criminal cases across the country. The nation's leading experts on investigating illegal animal cruelty and fighting, our Animal Rescue Team provides the following services for law enforcement:

- A fully equipped response team and fleet that can assist in the rescue of animals from natural and man-made crises
- Sheltering and placement services for rescued animals
- Financial, veterinary, legal and other expert assistance for cruelty and fighting investigations and prosecutions
- The nation's most comprehensive database of alleged animal fighters
- A reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to the conviction of an animal fighter
- A national animal fighting tip line available at 877-TIP-HSUS
- Training to aid law enforcement officers who are investigating illegal animal cruelty and fighting
- A specialty fleet and equipment for forensic analysis, treatment and transport

To learn how the Animal Rescue Team can help you, email animalcruelty@humanesociety.org.

“There is no way that we could have undertaken an investigation of this magnitude without the help of the HSUS. They brought in personnel and resources that we didn't have access to, and their assistance was a tremendous help to us in this case.” — ANDY HUGHES, HOUSTON COUNTY SHERIFF



BE READY FOR NATURAL DISASTERS IN YOUR AREA

AS YOU PUT TOGETHER a personalized disaster evacuation plan for your family, be sure to keep companion animals and farm animals in mind. Identify a pet-friendly place to stay, and designate a friend, neighbor or family member who can take care of your pet if you're unable to evacuate together. Putting together a disaster kit—a waterproof bag with pet necessities—can also make a big difference if you need to evacuate in a hurry. Here's what to pack:

- Food and water for at least five days for each pet and information about your pets' feeding schedules
- A pet first-aid kit, including medications, medical records and contact information for your veterinarian
- Sturdy leashes, harnesses and carriers
- For cats, a litter box, litter, scooper and garbage bags
- Photos of you with your pets and descriptions of them in case you get separated

→ For a more complete list and other resources for staying safe, visit [humanesociety.org/disaster](https://www.humanesociety.org/disaster).