Identify evacuation locations
- Find places that can accommodate pets if you evacuate; consider pet-friendly hotels, kennels and/or loved ones
- Write down locations and store them with your disaster kit
- Practice loading your pets into carriers and your vehicle

Microchip your pets
- It is the single best way to reunite lost pets and families
- Update microchip registration when you move, change phone numbers or get a new emergency contact
- Secure a sturdy, legible ID tag on your pets’ collars, too

Start a buddy system
- Exchange keys with someone who can evacuate your animals if you are not home when disaster strikes
- Give your buddy your pets’ information and your emergency contact information
- Make sure your buddy is comfortable handling your pets

Assemble a disaster kit
- Assemble a kit for each animal in your household
- Keep the kit near an exit so it is easy to grab in case of an emergency
- Turn this card over for tips on what to include in your disaster kit

Take photos of you with your pet(s)
- Photos can prove ownership if you are separated from your pets
- Keep copies in your wallet and your disaster kit
- Give copies to a loved one who lives outside of your area
- Storing photos on your cell phone can also be useful
Disaster Kit Checklist

Food
• A one-week supply in airtight, waterproof containers
• If using canned food, include a can opener and spoon
• Rotate food every two months to avoid spoilage

Water
• A one-week supply in airtight, waterproof containers
• Avoid storing in direct sunlight
• Rotate water every two months to avoid spoilage

First aid/medication
• Basic animal first aid kit and book
• At least a one-week supply of prescription medication
• Heartworm and flea/tick preventive

Identification
• Photos of pets that show any distinguishing features
• Photos of you with your pets
• Temporary “write-on” identification tag
• Proof of vaccinations (in case you must board pet)

Animal care supplies
• Collar and leash or harness
• Crate or carrier
• Collapsible food and water bowls
• Blanket, toys and treats

Cleaning supplies
• Paper towels
• Dish soap
• Plastic bags or cat litter with litter tray

Visit RedRover.org to:
• Find more disaster preparedness resources
• Get disaster kit supply tips for various species
• Order supplies and planning materials