

## MONMOUTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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The Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, Office of Emergency Management has recently created and developed a County Animal Emergency Response Team (C.A.R.T.). This team, while continually evolving, will assist in the sheltering, rescuing and caring for pets ranging from small to large animals during emergencies and disasters that affect Monmouth County.

The County's, Office of Emergency Management (O.E.M.) continues to recruit volunteers to enhance and enrich our C.A.R.T. program, to assist in the management, training, planning and response to emergencies that affect animals and pets. Likewise, once fully operational, this group will provide varying levels of expertise and assistance to Emergency Managers in the areas of caring for and sheltering of animals during a natural or man-made disasters.

Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, Office of Emergency Management is partnering with the Veterinarian Community, ASPCA, NJDA and members of the public to establish and sustain an effective Disaster Animal Support Program within the County.

If you are interested in becoming a "Volunteer" in this program, we kindly ask that you fill out the attached application survey indicating your knowledge, level of involvement you wish to participate and the areas of expertise you feel you can contribute.

Thank you for your interest in the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office, Office of Emergency Management C.A.R.T program.

Sincerely,

The Steering Committee:

Michael Oppegaard, C.E.M., O.E.M. Coordinator Eugene Hannafey, O.E.M. Deputy Coordinator Christine Seminerio, C.V.T. Sara Ralston, D.V.M.