

OLD SEA DOG WAITING FOR LIBERTY CALL



CUMBERLAND COUNTY ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM



**TODAY'S PRESENTERS
ARE:**

DIRECTOR:

ROY GORMAN

**EDUCATION AND PUBLIC
OUTREACH:**

ADELE JONES

Today's Presentation

INTRODUCTION

WHY WE ARE

WHO WE ARE

WHAT WE DO

**EDUCATION/LOGISTICS: ADELE
JONES**

SHELTER: ROY GORMAN

Why We Are and How it all started.....



- **A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF THE POPULATION HAVE PETS AND CONSIDER THEM FAMILY MEMBERS**
- **OF THOSE PET OWNERS MANY WOULD RISK THEIR LIVES TO SAVE THEIR PET.**



**IN THE AFTERMATH OF
HURRICANE KATRINA,
OFFICIALS LEARNED THAT
MANY GULF COAST
RESIDENTS REFUSED TO
EVACUATE WITHOUT THEIR
PETS.**

**THE RESIDENTS THAT DID
EVACUATE WITH THEIR PETS
FOUND THE HUMAN SHELTERS
UNWILLING OR UNABLE TO
ACCEPT THEIR PETS.**

**PETS ARE THE NUMBER ONE
REASON PEOPLE RETURN TO
THEIR HOMES BEFORE LOCAL
AUTHORITIES HAVE DECLARED
IT SAFE TO DO SO**

**THIS PROMPTED CONGRESS TO
PASS THE “PETS EVACUATION
AND TRANSPORTATION
STANDARDS ACT” OR
OTHERWISE CALLED THE
PETS ACT.**

**THE LAW REQUIRES STATE AND
LOCAL EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT OFFICIALS TO
INCORPORATE HOUSEHOLD
PETS AND SERVICE ANIMALS
INTO DISASTER
PREPAREDNESS PROGRAMS.**

Who Are CART? Animal Response Team



**ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAMS ARE
ORGANIZATIONS DEDICATED
TO PREPARING, PLANNING,
RESPONDING AND
RECOVERING DURING ANIMAL
EMERGENCIES IN THE UNITED
STATES.**

**CART IS A PUBLIC PRIVATE
PARTNERSHIP, JOINING
GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WITH
THE PRIVATE CONCERNS
AROUND THE COMMON GOAL
OF ANIMAL ISSUES DURING
DISASTERS.**

**CART PROGRAMS TRAIN
PARTICIPANTS TO FACILITATE
A SAFE, AND EFFICIENT
RESPONSE TO ANIMAL
EMERGENCIES ON THE LOCAL,
COUNTY, STATE AND FEDERAL
LEVEL.**

Animal Response Team

WE ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS!

FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE

ACO's

Companion Animal Handlers

Veterinarians

Vet Techs

Firefighters

Paramedics

CEO's



Data Entry

Retired

Attorneys

Social Workers

Psychologists

CCART

**THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY
ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM
WAS STARTED IN 2008 AND
WE HAD OUR FIRST MEETING
IN SEPTEMBER.**

**NOW ALMOST TWO YEARS LATER
WE HAVE 25 MEMBERS AND OF
THAT NUMBER 13 HAVE
COMPLETED ALL OF THEIR
MINIMUM TRAINING AND
ANOTHER 6 ARE VERY CLOSE TO
COMPLETION.**

**WE OPERATE UNDER THE
DIRECTION OF THE CUMBERLAND
COUNTY EMA DIRECTOR JIM
BUDWAY**

**BONNIE CANFIELD IS OUR EMA
LIAISON**

WHAT WE DO

**OUR MISSION IS TO
COORDINATE SHELTERING
AND MINIMIZE SUFFERING OF
PETS IN THE EVENT OF A
MAJOR DISASTER**

**TO PROVIDE COMMUNITY
AWARENESS OF EMERGENCY
PLANNING AND
PREPAREDNESS FOR FAMILIES
OF COMPANION AND LARGE
ANIMALS**

**AND TO PARTNER WITH OTHER
RESPONDERS TO ENSURE
EFFECTIVE OVERALL
DISASTER RESPONSE**

Three Major Units

ANIMAL CARE



EDUCATION



LOGISTICS



**THESE THREE UNITS ARE NOT
EXCLUSIVE OF EACH OTHER
AND MANY MEMBERS SERVE
ON MORE THAN ONE UNIT.**

**THIS STRATEGY GIVES US
BETTER FOCUS ON WHAT IS
NECESSARY FOR US TO
ACCOMPLISH OUR MISSION.**

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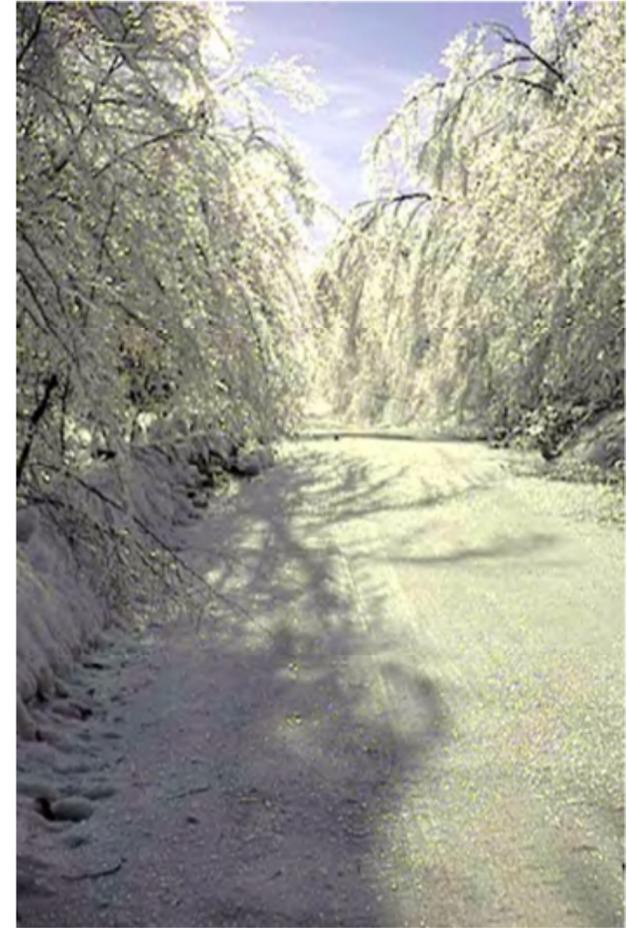
**EDUCATION AND PUBLIC
OUTREACH**

What is your part in all of this?

PREPARE TODAY.....

BECAUSE EVEN IN MAINE.....

THE UNEXPECTED CAN HAPPEN



Ice Storm Jan. 1998 Naples, Maine

Who are we trying to Educate?

- The General Pet Loving Public
- Veterinarians
- Animal Shelters
- Animal Hospitals
- Fire Departments
- Emergency Management Directors
- Town Managers
- Elderly Housing

How do we do this?



- The Education Team contacts target groups and coordinates educational meetings
- We will be happy to come to your location if invited.
- We tailor our presentation to fit the needs of the audience
- We use a Facebook Fan Page to help us educate

Prepare for your whole family



PHOTO: Associated Press 3/2009

CREATE A PORTABLE SURVIVAL KIT FOR YOUR PETS

*There is more to pet ownership than just
giving them food and water!*

- Medication
- 3 Days of food
- Photo of you and your pet(s)
- Crates, Bowls, Leashes, Sanitation devices
- Copy of current veterinary records
- Familiar Items. Toys / Blankets etc.

PREPARE YOUR ANIMALS.

- Get them comfortable with carriers



DON'T WAIT – GET OUT EARLY

HAVE A SAFE PLACE TO TAKE YOUR PETS

TAKE YOUR PETS WITH YOU!



Be Familiar With Your Evacuation Route



How to get information about where to go in an emergency?

- **Maine 2-1-1**
- Web sites with maps and information.
- News releases to TV. Radio, online, newspaper outlets.
- Public Service Announcements.
- Fliers sent to animal shelters, rescues, organizations-nonprofits.
- Presentations at meetings for animal related nonprofit organizations.





WHAT IF YOU ARE NOT HOME AND CAN'T GET HOME TO YOUR PETS?

- Prepare stickers for the front and back of your home.
- Prepare willing neighbors or relatives who can assist – **Make Sure they are familiar with/to your animals!**
- Must have key access and know where your “*go bag*” is located
- Know hiding spots of your animals
- Have a pre-designated meeting spot
- Consider a pre-signed veterinary treatment form

Are you interested in being on the team?



CART Member *Minimum* Training

- National Incident Management System 700
- Incident Command System 100
- FEMA IS 10: Animals in Disaster; Awareness and Preparedness
- FEMA IS 11: Animals in Disaster, Community Planning
- Pet CPR
- Human CPR
- Community Emergency Response (CERT)

Questions?





YOU CAN CONTACT US THROUGH CUMBERLAND COUNTY EMA

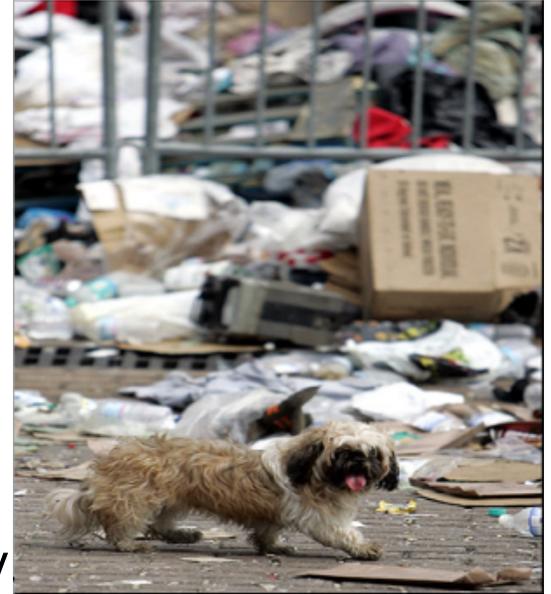
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As the winds blow on
And the waters rise deep
You can hear their cries
You can hear them weep
Those you have brought into your home
Those who are loyal, caring and warm.
You feed them each day, and tell them to stay
And now when they need you, don't turn them away
When you vowed to love, when you vowed to care
You vowed to sacrifice, and vowed to prepare.
So now in times of trouble and strife
You are responsible for more than one life.
You need to plan, think, and prepare
For all those who need you
Those who depend on your care.



-Cindy Swancott Lovern

ROY GORMAN

SHELTER

PET FRIENDLY SHELTERS



What is a Pet Friendly shelter?

**A PET FRIENDLY
SHELTER IS A
PUBLIC
EMERGENCY
SHELTER THAT
ACCOMMODATES
HUMANS AND THEIR
PETS.**



PET FRIENDLY VS. RESCUE SHELTERS

- **PET FRIENDLY**

Designed so that the owner will be responsible for taking care of their animals and staff will assist as necessary



Happy Valentines Day!

- **RESCUE SHELTERS**

Do not have any owners available to care for animals and all care is provided by staff



Facility Requirements

- **POWER (WITH BACK-UP GENERATOR)**
- **WATER**
- **ENTRANCE**
- **EXIT**
- **SECURITY**
- **RESTROOMS**
- **NON-CARPETED FLOORS**



Location

- **AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE TO HUMAN SHELTER**
- **IDEALLY WITHIN THE SAME BUILDING**



**HEALTH AND SAFETY
REGULATIONS DO NOT PERMIT
HUMANS AND PETS TO BE
SHELTERED IN THE SAME ROOM,
EXCEPT IN THE CASE OF SERVICE
ANIMALS.**

REGISTRATION

- **OWNER MUST BE REGISTERED IN A SHELTER**
- **REGISTRATION PROCESS WILL INCLUDE TAKING PHOTOS OF ANIMAL AND OWNER**



Registration Process

- Shelter Registration form and agreement filled out with owners signature.
- Shelter staff discuss form with pet owner.
- Identification numbers assigned.
- Owner given copy of form.
- Animal Intake form filled out by owner.



NOTE: She has SIX animals at the shelter!

**WE WILL HAVE A TRIAGE AREA
TO PERFORM INITIAL HEALTH
ASSESSMENT OF ANIMAL
AND ASSIGN ANIMALS TO
APPROPRIATE CAGES.**

Animal Evaluation

- **ANY KNOWN MEDICAL CONDITIONS**



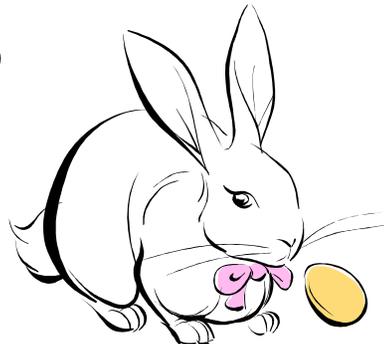
- **TEMPERAMENT**



Allowable Animals

Domestic Pets

- **DOGS**
- **CATS**
- **BIRDS**
- **FERRETS**
- **REPTILES**
- **FISH**
- **ARACHNIDS**
- **GERBILS**
- **HAMSTERS**
- **GUINEA PIGS**
- **MICE**
- **RABBITS**
- **POTBELLY PIGS**



STAFF DUTIES

- **ASSIST OWNERS IN PLACING ANIMAL IN ASSIGNED CRATE**
- **ASSIST OWNERS IN CARING FOR ANIMALS**
- **CARE FOR ANIMALS WHOSE OWNERS ARE IN ANOTHER SHELTER**



MORE STAFF DUTIES

- **MONITOR RECORDS TO INSURE ANIMALS ARE BEING CARED FOR AND NOTIFY SUPERVISOR OF ANY PROBLEMS**
- **MONITOR ANIMALS FOR STRESS AND BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS**



PET OWNER RESPONSIBILITIES

- **FEED AND WATER THEIR ANIMALS.**
- **CLEAN CAGES AND CAT BOXES AS NEEDED.**
- **TAKE THEIR DOGS TO DOG RELIEF AREA.**
- **ADMINISTER MEDICATIONS TO PET.**

SECURITY

**ONLY AUTHORIZED
PERSONNEL WILL BE
ALLOWED IN THE FACILITY
AND ALL MUST HAVE VISIBLE
IDENTIFICATION**

**Wrist bands or ID
badges**

What about Large Animals and Farm Animals?



Cumberland County CART will be educating families with large animals and livestock how to pre-plan, in case of emergency

LARGE ANIMALS

- **DIRECT OWNERS TO LOCATION OF FARMS/STABLES FOR LIVESTOCK**
- **COORDINATE WITH LOGISTICS TO PROVIDE LIVESTOCK FEED IF NEEDED**



GOALS

- **SET UP A LARGE ANIMAL CARE CENTER.**
- **SET UP AND MAINTAIN TWO PET FRIENDLY SHELTERS AT THE SAME TIME**

**PICTURES FROM MARION
COUNTY
FLORIDA**





Rubber Runner





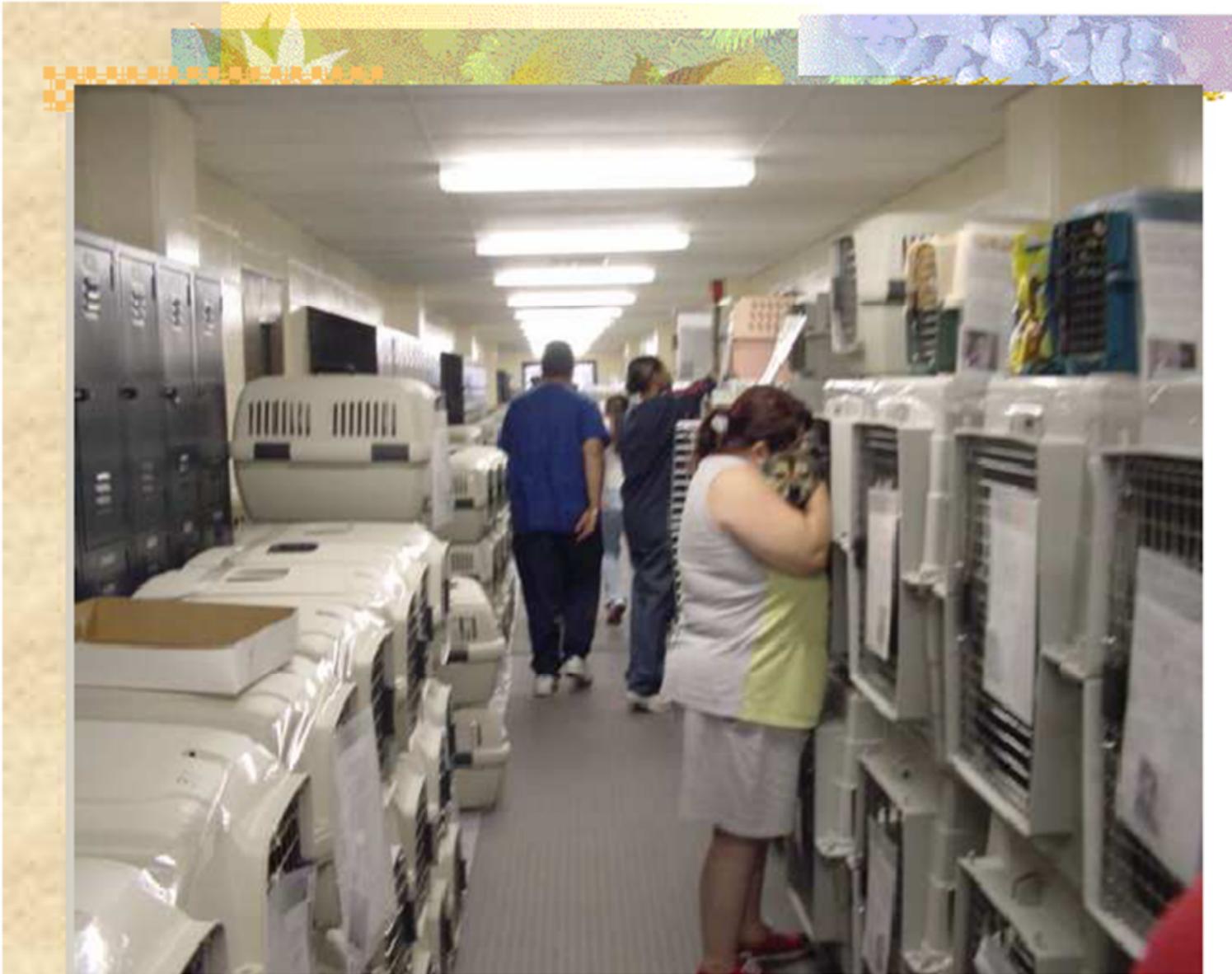


PETS AND OWNERS IDENTIFIED

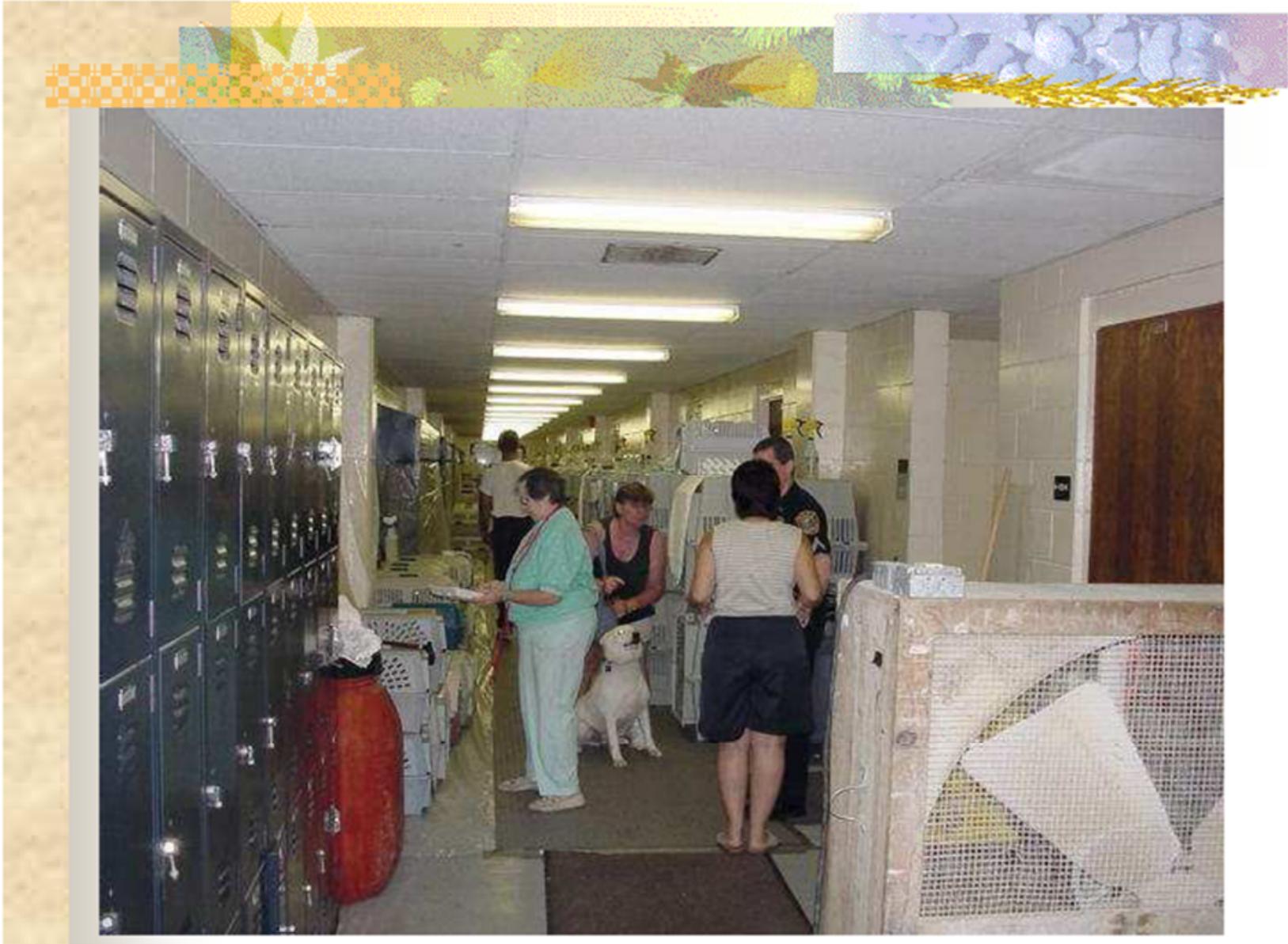


Owners will
care for their
own animals
under the
direction of
CART
Volunteers.



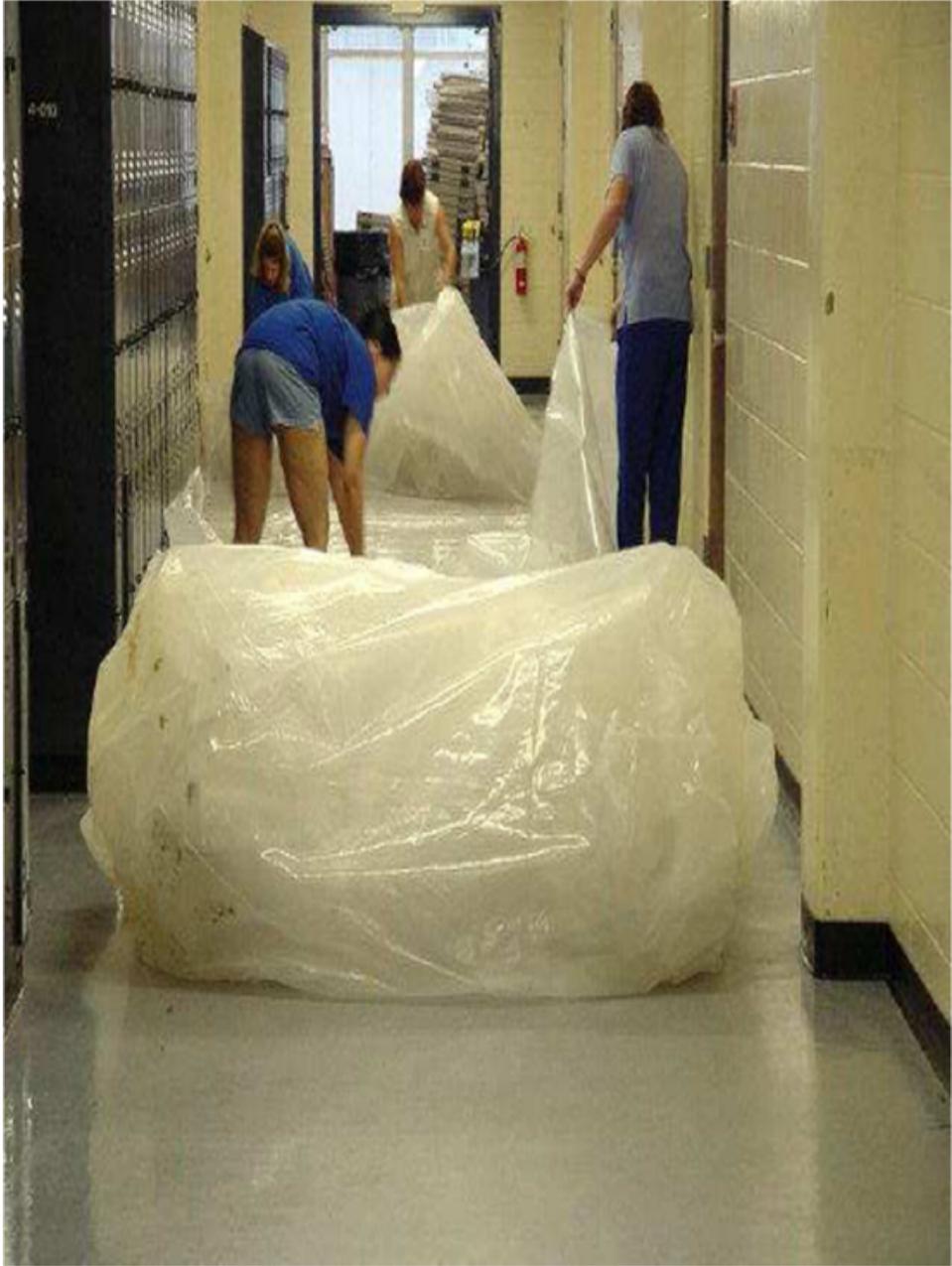












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THE END



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