



Hurricane Harvey Leaves Pets Homeless Operation Kindness Provides Support to the SPCA of Texas and Humane Society to Offer Relief

CARROLLTON, Texas (August 30, 2017)—Hundreds of pets have been displaced following the devastation of Hurricane Harvey, which made landfall northeast of Corpus Christi, Texas, on Friday, Aug. 26, as a Category 4 hurricane. To help as many animals as possible, Operation Kindness is offering their support in conjunction with the SPCA of Texas and The Humane Society of the United States. The main goal is to prevent overcrowding in affected shelters, as well as collecting food for the Operation Kindness Pet Food Pantry at their main location at 3201 Earhart Lane, Carrollton.

“We have teamed up with the SPCA of Texas and The Humane Society of the United States to help ensure that pets displaced by Hurricane Harvey will have space in local shelters to become reunited with their families,” said Jim Hanophy, CEO of Operation Kindness. “Our aim is to initiate our network of foster families to help relieve overcrowding in the affected shelters and to help find forever homes for the animals that are currently available for adoption.”

Animal shelters in disaster-affected communities are seeking the help of North Texan neighbors in safe zones across the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex to provide shelter for adoptable pets coming from shelters in the affected areas-- specifically to make room for the influx of pets displaced by the storms and during evacuations. To help with this matter, Operation Kindness is mobilizing its network of trained foster volunteers to take in pets for two-to-four weeks, enabling them to relax and recover from trauma in a loving foster home. Each animal brought to the no-kill animal shelter will receive a medical exam and behavioral evaluation before it is paired with a foster family. Animals that have a clean bill of health and are prepared for adoption will be available immediately.

The Operation Kindness Pet Food Pantry is collecting donations of pet food and kitty litter which they will provide to people who evacuated from Southeast Texas to the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex and have their pets remaining with them. Current needs include:

- Dry and Canned Dog Food
- Dry and Canned Cat Food
- Puppy Food
- Kitten Food
- Puppy and Kitten Formula
- ID Wet
- KD Wet
- Cat litter

Citizens can drop off donations at Operation Kindness, [located at 3201 Earhart, Carrollton, TX 75006](#).

For more information and to help Operation Kindness provide relief, please visit www.operationkindness.org.

About Operation Kindness

Founded in 1976, Operation Kindness is the original and largest no-kill shelter in North Texas. Its mission is to care for homeless cats and dogs in a no-kill environment until each is adopted into responsible homes and to advocate humane values and behavior. In 2016, Operation Kindness celebrated their 40th anniversary and their achievement of saving more than 90,000 animals since their inception. Annually the shelter assists more than 5,000 dogs and cats, caring for an average of 300 animals daily with another 100-150 animals in foster homes.

Join Operation Kindness in their mission to care for homeless animals by becoming a member of the Happy Tails Society. This group of dedicated friends provides a monthly gift to help pay for the medical care, medicine, food, shelter, nurturing and behavior training the pets need to have a second chance at life. Learn more about Operation Kindness at <http://www.OperationKindness.org> or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pages/Operation-Kindness/30251945822.

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