

# Growing Families One Pet at a Time

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# DAS PREPS FOR HURRICANE SEASON & PETS

As hurricane season begins tomorrow, Collier County Domestic Animal Services (DAS) is asking every pet owner to remember their pets while planning for potential evacuations this year.

### **Hurricane Pet Shelter (New)**

Collier County will host an emergency pet shelter at North Collier Regional Park, 15000 Livingston Rd. This is a first for Collier County Government. Pet owners must remain with their pets, although animals and people will be sheltered separately within the park.

The Bureau of Emergency Services will determine the activation of the pet shelter. It will, hold only a few dozen pets, depending on the size of animals. At this time, there is no requirement of pre-registration for the shelter, however this could change in the future.

## **Documents Your Pet Needs During Natural Disasters**

- Photo of your pet by itself
- Photo of you and your pet together (include immediate family members)
- A print out of your pet's immunizations (must be up to date)
- One week of food and water
- A litter box (if your pet is a cat)
- One comfort toy
- A leash and collar or harness vest

DAS asks pet owners to including their pets in evacuation plans. Leaving pets behind should not be an option.

Hurricane season runs from June 1 to Nov 30 and if the public has questions they may call DAS at (239) 530-PETS (7387).

Visit DAS online to find out more at www.colliergov.net/pets.