



# SEARCH RESCUE SHELTER

Central Ohio Animal Response Team (ART) &  
Ohio Regional Animal Response Team (ORART #4)



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## ASSISTING ANIMALS DURING EMERGENCIES

Two and three person teams are being developed and trained to assess the animal needs at Red Cross emergency sites when pets and animals are involved.

Meetings are currently scheduled at the Columbus Public Health Department.

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### **GENERAL VOLUNTEER AND MEMBER INFORMATION:**

Volunteers and members wanting to work with search, rescue, and shelter activities of the Animal Response Team and the American Red Cross within Homeland Security Region #4 should consider this activity. Volunteers are encouraged to participate in development of plans, tabletop exercises, field exercises, and assisting at Responder Staging Areas during actual events. Volunteers completing the three steps for membership ([click here](#)) can deploy during actual emergency and disaster responses.

### **SEARCH, RESCUE, AND SHELTER INFORMATION:**

Search-rescue-shelter includes, but is not limited to surveillance, rescue, initial medical stabilization, transportation, and sheltering of animals trapped, left behind, abandoned, or lost as a result of an emergency. Search-rescue-shelter is considered a "multi-hazard" discipline, as it may be needed for a variety of emergencies or disasters, including earthquakes, storms and tornadoes, floods, dam failures, technological accidents, terrorist activities, and hazardous materials releases. The events may be slow in developing or sudden.