

Post Storm Services Provided by PBC ACC

ALL ANIMAL RELATED ISSUES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO ESF 17 (716-6799). IF THE ISSUE CAN BE HANDLED BY ACC IT WILL HANDLE IT DIRECTLY. ISSUES THAT CANNOT BE HANDLED BY ESF17 WILL BE REFERRED TO ONE OF OUR SUPPORT AGENCIES, IE, PBC FIRE RESCUE (LARGE ANIMAL EXTRACTIONS), FWC (WILDLIFE ISSUES).

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT NO ANIMALS LEAVE THE COUNTY WITHOUT SOME TRACKING BY ACC. NO OUTSIDE AGENCIES SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO REMOVE ANIMALS FROM PALM BEACH COUNTY. ALL INQUIRIES OR OFFERS TO HELP WITH ANIMAL RELATED ISSUES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO ESF 17.

SERVICES AVAILABLE AT OUR SHELTER AT 7100 BELVEDERE ROAD:

MASH UNIT – OUR SPAY SHUTTLE WILL BE PARKED OUTSIDE THE 7100 BELVEDERE ROAD SHELTER OR OTHER DESIGNATED AREA, AND WILL PROVIDE MINOR MEDICAL TREATMENT TO THOSE ANIMALS WHOSE INJURIES ARE STORM RELATED OR WHOSE ONGOING TREATMENT HAS BEEN INTERRUPTED DUE TO VET'S OFFICES CLOSURES.

EMERGENCY EUTHANASIA – FOR THOSE ANIMALS WHOSE INJURIES ARE SEVERE AND WHOSE SUFFERING IS PROLONGED. WITH THE PERMISSION OR AT THE REQUEST OF THE OWNER.

DOGS TIED, WITH NO CARE OR ABANDONED DUE TO EVACUATION - THESE ANIMALS WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO THE SHELTER AND AN EFFORT MADE TO LOCATE OWNERS.

VET REFERENCES – ACC WILL MAINTAIN A LIST OF VETS WHO ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC AND WILL MAKE THIS INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO NEED IT. THIS IS NOT TO BE CONSIDERED AN ENDORSEMENT OF ANY VET BY ACC.

FOOD – MANY OWNERS WILL FIND THAT THEIR ANIMAL FEED SUPPLY HAS BEEN COMPROMISED BY THE PASSING OF THE STORM. ACC WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO LOCATE AND PROVIDE AN ANIMAL FEED SOURCE FOR OWNERS IN THIS SITUATION.

ANIMAL REDEMPTIONS - DUE TO DOWNED FENCES, MANY LIVESTOCK TYPE ANIMALS WILL ESCAPE THEIR ENCLOSURES. ALL SUCH ESCAPES

SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO ESF 17 FOR RESPONSE BY THIS AGENCY.

AGGRESSIVE ANIMALS – DISPLACED/LOST/ ABANDONED DOGS MAY FORM PACKS. THESE PACKS CAN BE OF SERIOUS CONCERN TO THE COMMUNITY. ANY SUCH PACK SITINGS SHOULD BE REPORTED IMMEDIATELY TO ESF 17 FOR RESPONSE.

PET FRIENDLY SHELTER POST-STORM CLOSURE – IT IS THE GOAL OF ACC TO CLOSE THE PET FRIENDLY SHELTER WITHIN 24 HOURS OF THE PASSING OF A STORM. ACC WILL ARRANGE FOR THE SPECIAL BOARDING OF ANIMALS WHOSE OWNERS ARE UNABLE TO SAFELY RETURN TO THEIR HOMES. THIS HOLD PERIOD USUSALLY LASTS A MAXIMUM OF 15 DAYS AND IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEIR PETS AS SOON AS IS POSSIBLE.

PET FRIENDLY SHELTER PRE-REGISTRATION ONLINE AND PRINTABLE APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON-LINE AT:

<http://www.pbcgov.com/publicsafety/animalcare/hurricane.htm>

The Pet Friendly Shelter is located is at the West Boynton Recreation area gymnasium at 6000 Northtree Blvd in Lake Worth. (Between Hypoluxo Rd. and Gateway Blvd, off Jog Road)