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### **Preparing Pets**

Pets are not permitted in Red Cross shelters. It is crucial that you make sheltering plans for your own pet(s). Only working “service” animals are allowed in Nassau County shelters but you must have your own water, food, medicines, toys and other necessities for your “service” animal.

### **Tips to Protect Your Pet**

- Be sure your pet and/or service animal has identification tags, proof of up-to-date vaccinations, and veterinarian contact information.
- Do not leave your pet outside or tied up during a natural disaster.
- Make sure you have a pet carrier and a leash.
- Stock up on pet food and other necessities (such as cat litter and medications)