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# NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON **ANIMALS IN DISASTER**

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**June 3-6, 2008**

Doubletree Hotel  
Sacramento, California



A Professional Conference for  
**Emergency Managers and Responders,  
Animal Care and Control Personnel,  
Veterinary Professionals, and Disaster Volunteers**

Presented by



**THE HUMANE SOCIETY**  
OF THE UNITED STATES

## REGISTER NOW



### Don't miss this opportunity

to speak with leaders in the animal disaster response and planning community. Come and get to know other emergency response and animal care and control professionals from around the country. Renew your friendships with people you have met in the field.



## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

### MONDAY, JUNE 2

**Registration:** 4–7 p.m.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 3

**Registration:** 7:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

**Welcome and general session:** 8:30–10 a.m.

**Breakout sessions:**  
10:30 a.m.–12 noon

**Lunch (on your own):**  
12 noon–1:30 p.m.

**Breakout sessions:** 1:30–5 p.m.

**Welcome reception and exhibit hall opening:** 6–8 p.m.  
(open to all registrants)

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

**Registration:** 7:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

**Breakout sessions:** 8:30 a.m.–12 noon

**Lunch (on your own):** 12 noon–1:30 p.m.

**Breakout sessions:** 1:30–5 p.m.

**Networking reception and exhibits:**  
6–8 p.m. (open to all registrants)

### THURSDAY, JUNE 5

**Registration:** 7:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

**Breakout sessions:** 8:30 a.m.–12 noon

**Lunch (on your own):** 12 noon–1 p.m.

**Disaster Response Fair and exhibits:**  
1–4 p.m. (open to all registrants)

### FRIDAY, JUNE 6

**Daylong workshop registration:**  
7:30–9 a.m.

**Daylong workshop—  
Animal First Aid for Disaster Responders**  
(lunch included): 9 a.m.–5 p.m.



## HOTEL INFORMATION

### The Doubletree Hotel Sacramento

is located in **northern Sacramento** just minutes from downtown attractions, including the Esquire IMAX Theatre, Raging Waters Sacramento, and the Cherry Island Soccer Complex. The hotel is 20 minutes from Sacramento International Airport.

Hotel amenities include a heated outdoor whirlpool spa and a 24-hour fitness center. The Cityside Café serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner. For a quick bite, stop by the Espresso Bar/To Go Counter or RJ Grins Sports Bar.

### Room Rates\* (per night; tax not included)

Single/Double \$118.00

Triple \$133.00

Quad \$148.00

### Doubletree Hotel Sacramento

2001 Point West Way  
Sacramento, CA 95815  
1-800-222-TREE or 916-929-8855, ext. 4500

### Register by May 9, 2008

to receive the conference rate. Refer to group code CAD when making reservations.

\*Discount rates are for conference attendees only.

## NEW THIS YEAR!

### DISASTER RESPONSE FAIR

**THURSDAY, JUNE 5**

Enhance your NCAD experience—visit our sponsors and exhibitors as well as animal rescue teams and technical experts. Try out the latest tools, techniques, and equipment in animal disaster response. Visit open-air, hands-on displays on animal rescue vehicles, shelter trailers, veterinary vans, and technical rescue equipment for large and small animals. Watch short demonstrations and ask the experts in-depth questions.

# BREAKOUT SESSIONS

## PREPAREDNESS AND PLANNING TRACK

### Resources and Funding for Your Animal Disaster Response

The increasingly high profile issue of animal disaster response has sparked an increase in donor, government, and public interest. How does this translate into additional resources for animal disaster activities? Although assistance is available, it all takes preparation and paperwork.

### If You Have a Disaster, They Will Come! Managing Emergent Volunteers

Volunteer management usually addresses the issues of volunteers *within* organizations. What about those good hearts who just *have* to help, despite their lack of training or affiliation? Hear how to organize and be ready to use spontaneous volunteers appropriately, effectively, and safely in your disaster preparedness and response activities.

### The National Response Framework: A Successful Plan for Animal Interests

The National Response Plan has a new name (the National Response Framework), but is the plan any more effective for animals? Has the Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards (PETS) Act made any difference for disaster animal response? Talk with state and federal officials who can explain disaster planning and funding in plain English and show you the way.



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### Does Your Animal Disaster Plan Hold Water? Practicing Your Strategy

When is a disaster plan not effective? When you haven't tested it in realistic exercises and ironed out the kinks! Learn from a nationally known and respected emergency manager and educator how to design exercises to test part or all of your animal disaster plans for your animal shelter or your community. Learn about drills, exercises, and full scenarios and create a realistic exercise in this two-part class.

### "Where, Oh Where Will They Go?" Emergency Animal Sheltering Today

A new awareness of pet sheltering issues following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and a new law encouraging planning for pet evacuation have changed the dynamics of disaster animal sheltering. Learn what options are available and how communities are implementing them.

## RESPONSE TRACK

### Responder 101: Down and Dirty

Thinking of becoming a disaster animal responder? Or have you already responded to an animal disaster but need to know the larger picture? This session is not just for beginners! What happens during a disaster response—what should you expect? Talk with experienced disaster animal responders about how to know what disaster role you're suited for, what to pack in your "go" bag, how to be safe and healthy, and more.

### The California Wildfires: The View from the Hot Zone

Hear from local, state, and national responders about issues raised in California's wildfires in recent years, including 2007. How have the animal issues changed and how has the response changed? What does the increase in the number of mega-fires mean for citizen preparedness and animal responders?

### Large Animals in Disasters: Issues and Techniques

Protecting equines and other large animals in emergencies is a major challenge, whether the hazard is a wildfire or a barn fire, a widespread flood or a sudden mud slide, and whether one animal or many are involved. Learn practical approaches to preparedness, rescue and extrication, and appropriate care, as well as using species' behaviors to your advantage. This special session will also include overviews of the latest rescue and handling techniques and equipment, which you can try out at Thursday's Disaster Response Fair.

### Psychological First Aid: What Works Best?

Learn the concepts of psychological first aid and taking care of yourself and your disaster response team by providing compassionate care and emotional support during disasters. Disaster relief workers often experience extreme stress and uncertainty, on top of their normally stressful day jobs. An essential part of any emergency response, psychological first aid is a practical approach to supporting disaster responders in the field and developing resilience through year-round team training.

## VETERINARY/MEDICAL ISSUES TRACK

### Running into Trouble: Getting Involved in Disaster Response as a Veterinary Professional

When everyone else is evacuating, do you want to run the opposite direction—to help the animals? Interested in offering your professional skills and experience to The HSUS or to your community's disaster response? This course is a how-to for veterinary professionals to get started in disaster work. What do you, as a skilled veterinary professional, need to know? Learn about cooperation, professional concerns, getting the right training and equipment, and more.

### The Wild Side of Disaster: Planning to Protect Captive Wildlife Facilities

You thought evacuating with a cat in a carrier was tough! What strategies exist for protecting captive wildlife in cases of fire, flood, and hazardous contamination? Sanctuary staff, rehabilitators, and zoo and aquarium personnel can acquire useful information to create their own plans. Tailor successful examples to your facility's needs, with specialized considerations for sheltering in place and feeding, capturing, and transporting nondomestic species. Come find out what survival strategies can be applied to your wildlife facility's needs.

### Infectious Disease, Sanitation, and Public Health in Disasters

What diseases should responders be most worried about? When dispersed by a disaster, pathogens can contaminate the environment. Mosquitoes and other disease vectors run rampant in a disaster and the danger from biohazards and just plain poor sanitation can skyrocket. If you're a disaster responder or if your job is to keep responders safe, this concise information can help you prevent some of the possible public health consequences of disaster response.

### Emergency Preparedness for Veterinary Practices and Other Animal Facilities

You can't help others if you can't help yourself. Every animal facility must consider its unique needs, but you don't need to reinvent the wheel. Whether you're creating a new plan or updating an old one, this session offers the opportunity to acquire new information from your experienced colleagues.

## DAYLONG COURSE: FRIDAY, JUNE 6

### Animal First Aid for Disaster Responders

This all-day workshop provides hands-on instruction on first aid techniques the disaster responder can apply until more advanced veterinary help can be found. Learn how to identify and treat common disaster-related injuries, illnesses, and conditions; how to distinguish animals who need advanced care from those who need first aid, as well as those who pose a threat to other animals and to people; and what not to do in order to minimize harm.

*Note: Continuing education credits for the daylong course are pending approval.*

# Register Early and Save!

Register by April 15, and **pay only \$199**. Your registration must be postmarked or received via fax with credit card information by midnight on **April 15**. Registrations postmarked after April 15 will be charged the regular fee of \$225.



# NCAD REGISTRATION FORM

Complete a separate registration form for each attendee (please print)

ATTENDEE NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ GUEST NAME (IF APPLICABLE) \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EVENING TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CELL \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

## Three Ways to Register

### 1. Online

Go to [humanesociety.org/ncad08](http://humanesociety.org/ncad08) to register by credit card.

### 2. Mail

Complete this form and mail with payment to **NCAD 2008**  
**The HSUS**  
**2100 L Street, NW**  
**Washington, DC 20037**

### 3. Fax

Complete this form, including your credit card information, and fax to 202-778-6132.

## PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

1. Is this your first NCAD meeting?

Yes  No

2. Are you new to your job?

Yes  No

3. Are you new to this field?

Yes  No

4. Have you ever taken part in a disaster response for animals?

Yes  No

5. What kind of agency or organization do you work for/with?

(please indicate all that apply)

Animal control organization  Veterinary organization/clinic

Humane organization/SPCA (sheltered)  Wildlife rehabilitation organization

Humane organization/SPCA (unsheltered)  Emergency management agency

Voluntary organization(s) (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

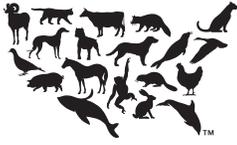
Government agency (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

## SPONSORSHIPS AND EXHIBITS

**We have a range of sponsorship and exhibit opportunities** to help market your products and services to hundreds of professionals and volunteers in the field. NCAD sponsors and exhibitors contribute significantly to the professional development of members of the disaster response community. The exhibit hall and Disaster Response Fair provide unrivaled access to NCAD attendees when no other events or sessions are scheduled. Sponsorships and exhibits must be confirmed by **May 9**.

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# NCAD REGISTRATION FORM

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### For Office Use Only

Date received:  
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## Registration Rates

### Conference *only* (June 3–5)

- Early registration** (must be received by fax or postmarked by April 15, 2008) **\$199**
- Regular registration** (received by fax or postmarked after April 15, 2008) **\$225**

### Single day attendance *only*

- Tuesday, June 3 (\$75)**       **Wednesday, June 4 (\$75)**       **Thursday, June 5 (\$75)**
- Friday, June 6, daylong workshop (\$125)**

### Guest—reception attendance

- Tuesday reception (\$25)**
- Wednesday reception (\$25)**

### Conference (June 3–5) *and* Friday daylong workshop (June 6) **(Save \$24)**

- Early registration** (must be received by fax or postmarked by April 15, 2008) **\$300**
- Regular registration** (received by fax or postmarked after April 15, 2008) **\$326**

**Subtotal** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Minus**  
**Group Discount: 15%** ( \$ \_\_\_\_\_ )

(if applicable—see box at right for details)

**Total Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## GROUP DISCOUNT

A 15 percent discount is applied to group registration for four or more individuals from the same organization (must register at the same time). Please complete a separate registration form for each attendee.

**Note:** All refunds issued will be assessed a \$25 fee. We cannot issue any refunds after April 30, 2008.

**Disclaimer:** Please note that statements speakers make and materials they distribute are solely those of the speakers. The HSUS does not endorse such statements or materials and disclaims any liability arising out of reliance on a speaker's statements or materials.

## Payment Method

- Check or money order (payable to The HSUS NCAD 2008)
- Credit card (check one):     Visa     MasterCard     American Express     Discover

ACCOUNT NUMBER

EXPIRATION DATE

NAME (AS IT APPEARS ON CARD)

SIGNATURE

If you have special needs, please indicate here: \_\_\_\_\_

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

### General Questions

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### Updates

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## Why Attend NCAD 2008?

- Achieve the next level of expertise
- Discover whether your community is really prepared
- Find out where can a local organization go for help
- Learn about the National Response Framework, post-Katrina reforms, and the PETS Act and how these changes may bring new guidelines and more resources
- Understand pandemic and animal diseases and how to recognize, prepare for, and protect against them
- Hear how climate change and technological threats could be adding to our disaster vulnerability
- Study realistic approaches to emergency education and sheltering

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