

About the Training

This intensive 22-hour course is designed to familiarize participants with situations and the background necessary to become an effective emergency responder to assist in animal relief efforts in the event of a disaster. The class includes two days of mixed classroom/hands-on instruction and a long half-day of specialized table-top exercises.

After completion of DART, graduates will have a basic understanding of disaster response for animals, including rescue, transport, and sheltering; safety, law, communications, media relations, and damage assessment; small and large animal handling; and the HSUS disaster response system. Participants will also be in a position to help develop their own local DART teams in their own communities and be prepared for additional education in disaster and recovery.

When and Where

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday

March 23-25, 2007

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Friday and Saturday)

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Sunday)

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

Northfield Armory - Norwich Campus

Norwich University, Northfield, VT 05868.

Accommodations

For local information about accommodations and directions, contact the New England Regional Office at 802-368-2790 or atefft@hsus.org.

Registration Fees

\$125: Fee includes all three course days, materials, continental breakfast, and snacks.

Register early! Space is limited.

Class size is limited to 75 (a minimum of 35 registrants is required). Please register no later than March 9th. Cancellation fee is 25% of the registration fee. No refunds will be given after March 2, 2007. **HSU reserves the right to cancel this workshop due to low enrollment.**

Certification

Certificates of completion will be provided to those attending all sessions. Completion of this training does not constitute or imply membership on The HSUS National or Regional Disaster Animal Response Teams.

For More Information

Please call Frances Gaeta at 301-548-7731 or email fgaeta@hsus.org, or visit www.HumaneSocietyU.org.

DART Instructors

Melissa Forberg, Disaster Response Consultant for The HSUS and a lead instructor, is an experienced field team leader for the HSUS National Disaster Animal Response Team and an HSUS consultant on disaster training and response. Forberg is an EMT firefighter, a technical rescuer, and an expert in handling and sheltering animals in a variety of emergencies and situations.

Joanne Bourbeau is the Director, HSUS New England Regional Office in Jacksonville, Vermont. Joanne has responded to a variety of major natural disasters including the 1997 Red River floods, Hurricanes Ivan and Charley, and Hurricane Katrina, during which she provided logistical support for the Lamar-Dixon temporary shelter in Gonzales, Louisiana.

Anne Culver, Disaster Training Consultant for The HSUS, is responsible for developing and implementing The HSUS's nationwide disaster education and training program. Formerly director of Disaster Services at The HSUS, she responded to and coordinated events for The HSUS for more than five years, managing the Disaster Services program: preparedness, planning, and response. Anne contributes her experience as a volunteer to several local organizations including the Community Emergency Response Team, American Red Cross, and others.

Registration Form

Name

Job Title

Organization

Mailing Address

City

State

Zip Code

Work Phone

Ext.

Home Phone

Fax Number

Email address

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AMOUNT: \$125

Account Number

___/___ VISA / MASTERCARD/AMERICAN
EXPRESS/DISCOVER
EXPIRATION DATE

Credit Card Number

Print Name as it appears on card

Authorized Signature

Please mail or fax your payment to:

Attn: Frances Gaeta, Humane Society
University

700 Professional Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20879

Fax: 301-258-3034.

Please send check or money order (or PO if a government agency) made payable to Humane Society University along with this form. Credit card payment can be made by filling in this form. If you require a receipt, please request one when registering. You may also register online at www.HumaneSocietyU.org (use the *Course Search*).

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