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| **Animal Shelter Team** |
| Supervisor: **Incident Commander** |
| Mission: | Manage the entire Animal emergency sheltering operation, responsible for the operation of the facility, insure that all animals are properly cared for and housed safety. All safety of staff, volunteers and public in and around the shelter while handling the animals |
| **Activation (Phase I & II)** |
| * Secure 3-4 square feet floor space/crate and an access aisle 3-4 feet wide
* Operational water, sewer, power
* Adequate lighting and ventilation
* Preferably separate HVAC from the human shelter
* Unobstructed entrance and exit, emergency exits
* Functional restroom
* Non-carpeted floors
* Secure perimeter
* Separation from human shelter adequate to control allergies, noise, and pathogens
* Staffing for the shelter to care for the animals
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| **Operation (Phase III)** |
| * Close the Shelter only after all animals are claimed or placed
* Equipment is properly disposed of, and the area is cleaned and returned to pre-disaster condition.
* Participate in end of shift meetings to reduce secondary traumatic stress and to provide peer support
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