Prepared? Resources available? First Priority? Evacuated, not evacuated?
How can I help? Is my family safe?
- zip strips
- kennel
- form
- tags
Differences in Animal Groups

Disaster Response Animal Groups provide:

• Sheltering Teams (SART)
• Animal Search and Rescue for companion pets (ASAR) *(swift water, slack water, flood water, land)*
• Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue (TLAER)
• Large Animal Emergency Rescue (LAER)

Animal Rescue Groups provide:

• Foster care and adoption services for abandoned companion pets *(Typically their mission is NOT disaster response)*
Animal Response Coalition of Kansas

KS SART BoD

KS SART UC

KC Metro Region

NC Region

NE Region

NW Region

SC Region

SE Region

SW Region

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Kansas State Animal Response Team

• Non-profit 501(c)(3) organization (BoD)

• Mission: To develop local animal disaster preparation & response

• One of many state organizations based on NC model developed following Hurricane Floyd

• Began in 2004 with roots in the KVMA

• Took off in 2007 following Greensburg

• Heavy lifting all done by Dr. Christen Skaer, DVM
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- Board of individuals & representatives of animal and emergency related groups (up to 20 members)

- Veterinarians
- K State professor
- National Animal Protection Association
- Animal Control officer
- Red Cross Regional Disaster Manager
- County Emergency Manager
- Kansas Animal Health Department veterinarian
- Livestock Industry representative
- Kansas Department of Health State Public Health Veterinarian
- Lawyer
- CPA
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Encourage & support development of local/regional teams through:

• Establishment of standards
  • Position descriptions
  • Training requirements
  • Operational and logistical SOGs
  • Credentials (CRMCS)

• Administrative and coordinative support
  • Fundraising
  • Tools and technical training
  • Project management
  • On-going education and networking opportunities
  • State database of volunteers

• Encourage public awareness & preparedness (My PET Project)
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Staying Connected
• NASAAEP
• MRC
• FLSART and FLSARC
• OKSART

Grants
• KVMA
• ASPCA
• Red Cross
• Dept of Homeland Security
• Local grants (Wal-Mart, Community Foundations, etc.)
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• Standard Responder Training Requirements
  • FEMA IS 100, 200, 700
  • First Aid – Human, Psych and Pet (renewed every 2-5 years)
  • New York Consortium of Emergency Preparedness (CART awareness)

• Training Programs (weekend workshops)
  • Level I: Train Today Respond Tomorrow (also available on-line)
  • Level II: Shelter From the Storm (FLSARC)
  • Level III: Ops and Management (FLSARC)

• State Conferences and Exercises (since 2008)

• Links to other training opportunities available at www.kssart.org
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CRMCS Credentials:

- SART EOC Specialist [SART_EOCS]
- SART Finance Officer [SART_FINO]
- SART Liaison Officer [SART_LO]
- SART Logistics Officer [SART_LOG]
- SART Operations Officer [SART_OPS]
- SART Planning Officer [SART_PLANS]
- SART Public Information Officer [SART_PIO]
- SART Safety Officer [SART_SAF0]
- SART Shelter Manager [SART_ASM]
- SART Team Leader [SART_TEOAML]
- SART Technician [SART_AT]
- SART Veterinarian [SART_VET]
- SART Volunteer Manager [SART_VM]
- State Animal Response Team (SART) Volunteer [SART_VLNTR]
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State Tent Trailer: (16’ cargo trailer)
• Two 20’ x 20’ tents
• 13,500 BTU AC,
• 5600 BTU Heater,
• Generator 7000 Rated Watts,
• 43 large crates, 40 medium crates,
• t-posts w/driver and construction fencing

Companion Animal Mobile Equipment Trailers (CAMEETs)
• Standardized 7’ x 16’ cargo trailer with supplies for a temporary companion pet shelter for 50
  • Full: Sedgwick, Reno, Riley, Ford
  • Partials: Butler, Kingman, Johnson, Crawford
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Public Preparedness Campaign including:

- Family preparedness
- Pet industry
- Sheltering Partnerships

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Animals, Texas A&M and Hurricane Harvey

https://www.facebook.com/128mpad/videos/1751274041568171/
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Working Smarter

• Electronic Pet Tracking System

• Vet Med Work Shop

• Responder Work Shops

• Regional Leadership Team

• Leadership/organizational vision retreat

• Development of “shelter teams” (EMAC resource typing)
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Challenges:

- Are various teams confusing? (state, county, region)
- Where does ART really fit?
  - VOAD – does ART fit here?
  - CERT – does ART fit here? Differences/similarities
- How are VOADs deployed?
  - Co-located sheltering
- CAMETS
  - Where do they belong? EM?
  - ART supplies manpower?
- Working with EM
  - CRMCS – credentials and badging
  - EMAC resource typing
- Expanding services
  - ASAR field assist (in-take and transport)
  - Large animal assist (in-take)
  - MARCs?