

Planning for Your Pet

First Name	Last Name		
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code

Pet's Info

Pet Name	Age	Species	Breed
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Where did you get your pet from? (Name of breeder, shelter, rescue, etc.)

List any health/behavioral issues, medications, routines

Plan

List 5 people (and their contact information) who you feel comfortable asking to care for your pet if you are unable to:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

List 3 local animal shelters or rescue groups who can accept your pet if you are no longer able to care for them:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Things to consider:

- How is your city or county’s animal intake handled? Is there only one open-access facility? Are there multiple options that accept surrendered pets?
- What are their policies? Do they work with other shelters and rescue groups to improve the chances of a good outcome for pets? Do they euthanize animals due to limited kennels? Do they believe that a special needs or older pet is “adoptable?”
- If you adopted your pet through a shelter or rescue group, do they have a policy stating that the animal must be returned to them if you are no longer able to care for them?

Communicate

The purpose of this form is to provide an outline to start the conversation of “what happens to my pet if I am no longer able to?” Use it to begin the discussion with others. Complete the form and disperse it to those listed on it. Include it in a will. Leave it somewhere safe where it will be found should something happen to you.