

Help Us Help You During a Crisis
(Food, Water, Shelter, Transportation, Medicine)

We Want to Help You During a Crisis

Participate in the 'Protect Livestock' program. Having your information is key for emergency responders to better plan to assist you and your animals in the event of an emergency or extreme weather.

Establish an Emergency Plan

Types of Disasters Include:

- Natural Disasters: drought, floods, hurricanes, tornados, derechos, wildfires, winter storms, etc.
- Man-made Disasters: industrial, acts of terrorism.
- Farm Events: barn or other structural fires, vehicular incidents, biosecurity.

Before the Disaster:

- Think ahead and establish an emergency plan.
- Survey your property, find alternative water sources, identify evacuation routes.
- Maintain updated lists to track animals, equipment, supplies and hazardous materials like pesticides, fertilizer, fuel, or other chemicals or medications.
- Conduct property inspections to identify potential dangers such as failing structures, fire risks, electrical risks, flooding risks, drifting snow or ice sheet risks and damaged or dead trees.

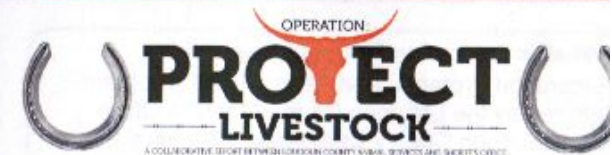
Preparing:

- Keep up with current events, weather and news. Many disasters come with a few days notice.
- Ensure an accessible supply of feed and water.
- Ensure that all animals have some form of identification that will help facilitate their return: tattoo, microchip, brand or tag.
- Make sure your vehicles and trailers are maintained, have plenty of fuel and keep insurance up to date and keep your documents accessible. Train your animals to load and travel. Socialize your animals with strangers, different clothing and conditions.
- Keep health records up to date. Have lists of feeding instructions, vaccines, Coggins testing, medication instructions.
- Prepare an emergency contact list for yourself include Animal Services, Fire & Rescue, Sheriff's Office, local feed/hay dealers, local veterinarians (regular and emergency), local extension office and regional VDOT office.
- Learn to use a fire extinguisher and generator.
- Invite local fire authorities to perform inspections, or VDOT to inspect potentially impassable roadways.
- Network and develop a buddy system with neighbors and out-of-town friends.

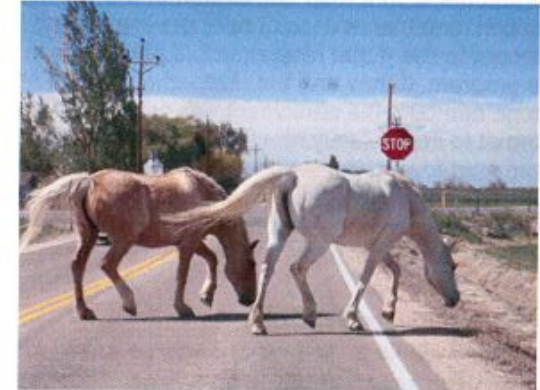
When a Disaster Strikes:

Remain calm. Ensure your safety first. Follow your plan. Listen for local emergency alert information. If your livestock become lost, be prepared to identify them and document ownership. If you find displaced animals, use caution when handling them and notify authorities.

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Safely Recover Escaped Livestock



To enroll, please e-mail:
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What is Operation Protect Livestock?

Operation Protect Livestock is a FREE program offered by the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office and Loudoun County Department of Animal Services to notify livestock owners when their animals have gotten out. It allows both agencies to notify livestock owners when their animals have gotten out even when the owners are not home.

How Does Operation Protect Livestock Work?

Once livestock owners have submitted their emergency contact information, it is entered into the 911 CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) system. When the 911 center receives a call for livestock out in front of a particular address, the dispatcher will first dispatch a road unit to start to the location, and then will look under the dispatched address to see if that residence is a participant in the program. If they are, the dispatcher will call all phone numbers the participant has provided in an attempt to immediately reach the owner and have them start toward the livestock that have gotten out. The goal is to put the owner with the animal (s) as quickly as possible thus reducing the risk of injury to the animal(s).

How Do Animals Get Out?

1. Storm damage to fences such as snow, ice, flooding and trees falling on fences.
2. Damage to fences caused by other animals such as deer.
3. Vehicle accidents.

Enroll by Phone at: (703) 771-5670 ext 6440

Enroll by Email

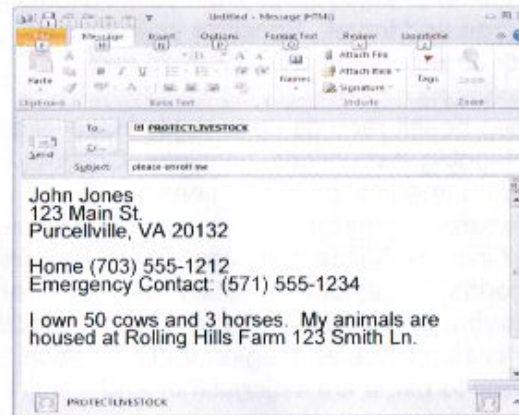
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How Can I Confirm My Information Has Been Received By The 911 Center ?

Once the information is received, whether enrolling by phone or email, and is entered into the computer, you will receive a call from an administrator of the program confirming it's receipt.

Include the following information:

- **Owner Name**
- **Owner's Street Address**
- **Contact Phone Number**
- **Phone Number for an Emergency Contact**
- **Livestock Location**
- **Notes About Your Livestock**



Your Privacy

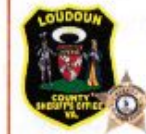
We value your privacy. Your phone numbers and address will be stored in the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system (the 911 Computer) to be accessed by 911 and Animal Services Dispatchers. We will protect your information to the extent it can be protected from release under the limitations of the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act (§2.2-3700).

Why Was The Program Developed?

Over the years, the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office and the Department of Animal Services, have received phone calls regarding at large livestock. When deputies or officers arrive to the scene, it can be difficult to determine where the animals belong. By participating in this program, Dispatchers can contact you to provide information to the officers on-scene. The goal is to safely secure the livestock before any possible injuries occur to the animals.

For More Information Visit

<http://sheriff.loudoun.gov/protectlivestock>



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