

The SIU System Office of Community Engagement

Ready Together Protecting Our Pets in Times of Disaster

The Wedge
620 E Broadway, Alton, IL
Wednesday, April 15, 2026, 3:00 – 4:30 PM
Free and Open to the Public

Would you know what to do if disaster struck and you had to evacuate with your pet? Storms, flooding, and other emergencies happen in the Metro East. When they do, many families face a stressful question: How do we keep our pets safe? Join us for a practical Community Collaboration Lab focused on helping pet caregivers prepare for emergencies before they happen. Local experts will share practical guidance on how to protect our pets.

Topics will include:

- How to prepare pets before storms, flooding, or other disasters
- What to include in a pet emergency kit
- Medical readiness and protecting your pet's health during emergencies
- Evacuation planning for pet owners
- What to expect when sheltering with pets during emergencies

Featured speakers will include:

Dr. Paul Davis, Veterinarian, Davis Pet Hospital

Guidance on medical preparedness and protecting your pet's health during emergencies

Tina Davis, American Red Cross

What to expect when sheltering with pets during emergencies



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