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## The Humane Society of Charlotte preparing for Hurricane Florence

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### ***Community members and local boarding facilities open their doors to HSC animals in preparation for Hurricane Florence***

CHARLOTTE, SEPTEMBER 12, 2018 - As Hurricane Florence approaches, The Humane Society of Charlotte (HSC) is actively working with individual foster families and local boarding facility Pet Palace to shelter as many of HSC animals as possible in order to make room for displaced dogs and cat from the coast of North and South Carolina.

A call-to-action was released on Monday night from HSC and the Charlotte community has made incredible efforts to step up and offer foster home availability. In less than 48 hours, HSC has received hundreds of messages from community members willing to help. In addition, local boarding facility Pet Palace has offered spots to help displaced animals.

"At this point, we expect to shelter at least 50 evacuee animals from different regions of the coastline. Currently, 24 animals have arrived at our shelter," said Huck Nawaz, VP of Operations.

As of Wednesday morning, HSC had assisted the Outer Banks SPCA via national partner, the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) and is in communication with the Charleston Animal Society who has reached out seeking assistance for both dogs and cats

HSC stands ready to assist mandatory evacuation zone shelters and is currently seeking foster homes for medium-to-large sized dogs and adult cats to make room for those evacuees coming in from the coast.

"We are making all necessary preparations to keep our animals as safe as possible given the fragile infrastructure of our shelter," explained Donna Stucker, VP of Development. "We are hoping the shelter will make it through the storm."

HSC's greatest need now is financial support to assist the privately-funded organization with extra costs associated with operating the shelter 24/7 during the storm such as overtime for staff members and supplies that will be needed once the storm hits.

Please donate at [humanecharlotte.org](http://humanecharlotte.org)

## *About the Humane Society of Charlotte*

The Humane Society of Charlotte is a community resource committed to delivering effective, innovative services that strengthen the human-animal bond and improve the lives of companion animals and the people who care about them. Our vision is for Charlotte to be a united community where animal welfare is valued and demonstrated through educated and collaborative efforts leading to positive outcomes for animals. The Humane Society of Charlotte follows a no-kill philosophy, which is based on saving all animals that come to us and relies on the generous support of animal-loving individuals in our community to fund our work, along with low-cost fees for adoption, spay/neuter and wellness services.

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