



Central Massachusetts Disaster Animal Response Team, Inc.

"An Introduction to Animal Disaster Services"

**Co-sponsored by the Town of Sterling Animal Control Officer
& Animal Control Advisory Board**

To register your interest in taking this course contact training@cmdart.org
or call the CMDART business line, 508-476-3677 for more information

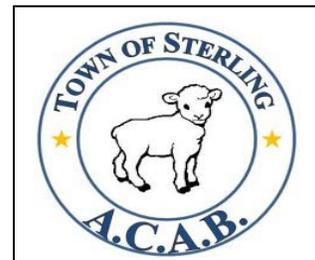
**Thursday, October 16, 2014 – 6:00 to 9:30 PM
Sterling Police Department Conference Room**

("Shelter Simulation" – Sunday, October 19, 2014, 2-7 PM – 1st Church, Sterling, MA)

This Intro Course offers: The basics of animal disaster response including local, regional, and national response systems, what psychological characteristics a team member needs to work in disasters, how to organize a personal, family and/or community emergency response plan, requirements for team membership and more. Through films and lecture, participants will also be given a basic overview about emergency animal sheltering for small local responses, or larger events such as the ice storm disaster of 2008. Basic emergency animal sheltering forms will be reviewed to jump-start local response efforts.

A \$35 tax-deductible suggested donation is requested to cover the costs of the training and materials. An additional \$15 will help cover the costs of your tee-shirt and member ID if you decide to join once you take the course. No one will be turned away because of an inability to pay. Please go to www.cmdart.org, click on "volunteering". Please bring completed CMDART membership paperwork to the training.

Additional course dates will be scheduled throughout the year to practice emergency animal sheltering, animal behaviors and management, disaster psychology, pet first aid, ambassadorship at public education events as well as other courses and drills that apply to our mission.



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