

Planning for Basic Disaster Life Support (BDLS)-Vet Training and Pet Rescue, Shelter and Evacuation Training

This project is a key step toward bridging human and animal medicine communities by providing procedures and training to veterinary practitioners who may be called upon in a disaster where human practitioners have been overwhelmed.

Through collaborative effort, Ft. Valley State University and UGA provided Animal Shelter and Evacuation pilot trainings May 13, in Tifton, GA, and May 20, in Warner Robbins, GA. As a result of these trainings, local people (volunteers and county employees) who will potentially work at disaster pet-friendly shelters have greater awareness of specific tasks they will be expected to perform.