

## PET SAFETY

Pets are an important part of many families in Redlands. The Redlands Fire Department is committed to keeping your pets safe during a fire emergency. While the Department does not advocate entering a burning structure to rescue your pet, there are some options that are available to help keep your pets safe in time of an emergency.

One tool that is free and very helpful to firefighters during an emergency is an **ANIMALS INSIDE** sticker that is offered by the ASPCA and is currently available on their web site, [www.asPCA.org/pet-care](http://www.asPCA.org/pet-care). Once there, click on "Free Pet Safety Pack."



By placing this sticker near your front door of your home, it alerts firefighters to be aware that animals may be inside a burning home. When a firefighter enters your home after seeing this sticker, they can be on alert to search for pets that may be hiding in your house. The Redlands Fire Department is currently trying to obtain some of these stickers from the ASPCA so residents would be able to stop by any of the Fire Stations in town and pick one up.

The Redlands Fire Department is also happy to announce that they have purchased pet resuscitation masks through generous donations from the Redlands' Kiwanis Club and the Redlands Professional Firefighter's Association. These masks are the same masks that veterinarians use in their offices. These masks will allow firefighters to be more proficient when attempting to resuscitate pets that have been overcome by smoke.



The Redlands Fire Department was one of the first Fire Departments in the Inland Empire to start carrying these masks on every piece of fire equipment.

The Redlands Fire Department is constantly researching new products which will help us in assisting you during times of an emergency. Please feel free to stop by any of your Fire Stations in town if you have any questions or comments.