



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS OF POLK COUNTY
AND
POLK COUNTY, TEXAS**

PURPOSE:

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is to provide mutual support between Polk County, Texas and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals ("S.P.C.A.") of Polk County during a time of natural or man-made disaster in order to provide for the care, control, shelter and feeding of household pets belonging to the citizens of Polk County and/or those being sheltered in Polk County during times of emergencies.

AGENCIES' RESPONSIBILITIES:

Polk County agrees to:

Meet periodically with the Director of the S.P.C.A. of Polk County to review emergency plans and discuss any issues regarding household pets in disasters.

Give reasonable notice to the Director of the S.P.C.A. of Polk County of impending natural disasters.

Provide contact information which may provide additional support for household pet care when requested by the Director of the S.P.C.A. of Polk County.

Coordinate efforts between other local, county or state agencies that deal with pets and or/livestock during disasters (i.e., Polk County Extension Agency, Lucy's Legacy- A Second Chance Ranch & Rescue, Inc.).

Keep the Director of S.P.C.A. of Polk County apprised of state legislative decisions and county orders regarding household pets during disasters.

SPCA of Polk County agrees to:

Meet periodically with Polk County's Emergency Management Coordinator about unresolved issues concerning household pets in disasters.

Work closely with shelter representatives and/or the American Red Cross representatives regarding the sheltering of pets during disasters.

Arrange for the care, control, feeding, sheltering, and necessary emergency medical care of household pets being sheltered.

Preplan for the emergency transport, care, sheltering, feeding, and medical treatment of household pets. This may include the storage of transport devices, food and water, and entering into MOUs with other agencies and/or veterinarians.

Provide the Polk County Office of Emergency Management with the current 24-hour contact information of those who will respond to emergencies that may include household pets.

REASON FOR THIS AGREEMENT:

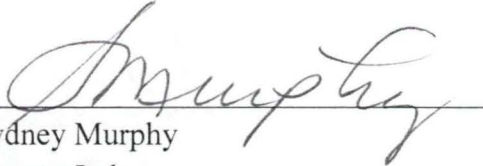
Polk County has experienced a number of natural disasters that required the sheltering of citizens. Experience has taught us that some citizens will not seek safe shelter if there are no provisions for the safekeeping of their pets as well. This MOU is intended to make such provisions, assign areas of responsibility, and establish the line of communication between those agencies that may deal with household pets during disasters.

TENURE:

This MOU shall stand for a period of five years from the date of approval by the Polk County Commissioners' Court.

MISCELLANEOUS:

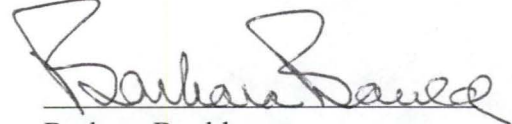
This MOU does not create a partnership or a joint venture, and neither party has the authority to bind the other.



Sydney Murphy
County Judge
Polk County, Texas

11/24/2015

Date



Barbara Bauld
Office Manager
S.P.C.A. of Polk County

8-21-15

Date



Polk County, Texas

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
POLK COUNTY YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION
AND
POLK COUNTY, TEXAS**

PURPOSE:

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is to provide mutual support between Polk County, Texas and the **Polk County Youth Rodeo Association to use the Polk County Youth Rodeo Arena and Fairgrounds** located at 1503 S. Houston Ave, Livingston Texas during a time of natural or man-made disaster in order to provide for the care, control, shelter and feeding of livestock belonging to the citizens of Polk County and/or those being sheltered in Polk County during times of emergencies.

AGENCIES' RESPONSIBILITIES:

Polk County agrees to:

Meet periodically with the designated representative of the Polk County Youth Rodeo Association to review emergency plans and discuss any issues regarding livestock in disasters.

Give reasonable notice to the designated representative of the Polk County Youth Rodeo Association of impending natural disasters.

Provide contact information which may provide additional support for livestock care when requested by the designated representative of Polk County Youth Rodeo Association.

Coordinate efforts between other local, county or state agencies that deal with livestock during disasters (i.e., Polk County AgriLife Extension Office, S.P.C.A. of Polk County).

Keep the designated representative of the Polk County Youth Rodeo Association apprised of state legislative decisions regarding livestock during disasters.

Polk County Youth Rodeo Association agrees to:

Meet periodically with Polk County's Emergency Management Coordinator about unresolved issues concerning livestock in disasters.

Work closely with shelter representatives and/or the American Red Cross representatives and the Polk County Extension Agent regarding the sheltering of livestock at the Polk County Youth Rodeo Arena and Fairgrounds during disasters.

Arrange for the care, control, feeding, sheltering, and necessary emergency medical care of livestock being sheltered.

Preplan for the emergency transport, care, sheltering, feeding and medical treatment of livestock. This may include the storage of transport devices/vehicles, food and water, and entering into MOUs with other agencies and/or veterinarians.

Provide the Polk County Office of Emergency Management with the current 24-hour contact information of those who will respond to emergencies that may include livestock.

REASON FOR THIS AGREEMENT:

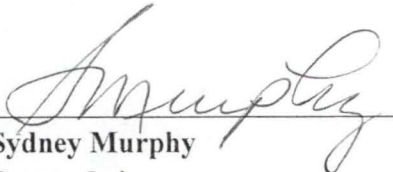
Polk County has experienced a number of natural disasters that required the sheltering of citizens. Experience has taught us that some citizens will not seek the safety of shelter elsewhere if there are no provisions for the safekeeping of their animals. This MOU is intended to make such provisions, assign areas of responsibility, and establish the line of communication between agencies that may deal with livestock during disasters.

TENURE:

This MOU shall stand for a period of five years from the date of approval by the Polk County Commissioners' Court.


MISCELLANEOUS:

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Sydney Murphy
County Judge
Polk County, Texas

11/24/2015
Date



Lawrence Oliver
President/Representative
Polk County Youth Rodeo Association

11-17-15
Date