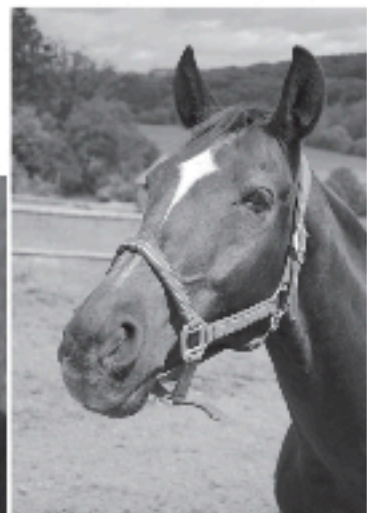


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Maine Animal Resource Guide



*Includes Information on:
Wildlife Rehabilitators,
Rescue Leagues &
Shelters, Animal
Welfare Organizations,
Emergency Care,
and more.*

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Introduction

In Maine, as in many areas around the country and world, the human community has grown to the point where wildlife habitat and human habitat are increasingly overlapping. As a result, people, domestic animals and wildlife are interacting more frequently.

It is common to find a “baby something” and to be unsure of what to do next. We want to help an animal we think needs our help but are unsure of whether our help is even needed. In addition, we are often not sure what the best thing to do is. Here are some general tips:

- Always remember, wild animals are not pets and do not react the same as domestic animals may;
- If possible, before touching or picking up the animal, call a wildlife rehabilitator. See the listing for rehabilitators in this guide, as well as the state’s Web site with information on licensed rehabilitators for the State of Maine;
- If the animal is immediate danger, if it is in the street or in a cat’s mouth, and you decide to attempt a rescue, use extreme caution. Watch out for cars, and remember, wild animals are usually frightened especially when they are hurt. Wildlife is wild so NEVER attempt to rescue a wild animal without a barrier of some sort (gloves, shovel, floor mat, towel, shoe, etc.) between you and the animal;
- Call a game warden for help. If you do not have the contact information, call the Maine State Police and ask the dispatcher to assist you in finding one. The phone number for both the warden service and the state police will be in your phonebook.
- If you question whether an animal needs help, it probably doesn’t. Your best bet in a questionable situation, if the animal is safe, is to leave it alone.

Remember, most animals are active at dawn and dusk so be especially aware of that when you are driving. Lower your dashboard lights and you will be more likely to see the reflection of your headlights in the lights of an animal near the road. Watch for turtles, salamanders and frogs on roads near ponds.

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Wildlife Rehabilitators must be licensed by the State of Maine Department of Inland Fish and Wildlife. In some cases, a federal permit is required. For more information, visit the departments Web site www.maine.gov/ifw/wildlife/rehabilitation/index.htm. The Departments site provides information on how to become a wildlife rehabilitator, how to locate one in your area, links to applicable laws and rules, and information on the mission of the department and as well as its vision for the future of wildlife in Maine.

Androscoggin County

Cooper, Mike

Home: 261 Turner Street, Auburn, ME 04240

Work: 75 Stetson Road, Lewiston, ME 04240

Home: 786-5311 Bus: 782-8121

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small mammals, reptiles or amphibians.

Directions: Fourth house on right from beginning of Turner Street. Gray 3-story home with attached barn and garage.

Hale, Jennifer

377 Bishop Hul Rd, Leeds, ME 04263

Home: 524-2071

Rehab details: No Federal Permit, limited to mammals, but will transport birds.

Lewis, Jennifer

17 Aspen Way, Turner

Bus: 212-1039 **Email:** jenlewis0609@aol.com

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. All mammals and reptiles. Prefer orphaned young over injured wildlife. Will transport.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Lyons, Michael

35 Goulding Lane, Box 32, Danville, ME 04223

Home: 777-3831 **Bus:** 713-1734 **Email:** tonkame@aol.com

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small mammals, especially squirrels.

Directions: Located off Old Danville Road in Danville Jct. Does not transport.

Toussaint, Amanda

17 Aspen Way, Turner, ME 04282

Home: 689-5012 **Bus:** 777-1376

Aroostook County

A. E. Howell Wildlife-Conservation Center

Howell, Jr., Arthur E.

101 Lycette Road, HCR 61 Box 6, Amity, ME 04471-5114

Home: 532-6880 **Bus:** 532-8352 **Email:** eagleman@mfx.net

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit.

Directions: The Art Howell Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, located 14 miles south of Houlton on Lycette Road off Route 1.

Cumberland County

Crawford, Carlene F.

33 Wentwrth Road, East Baldwin, ME 04024

Home: 787-2774 **Email:** ccrawford@pivot.net

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. All mammals.

Directions: Route 107, left on Cram Hill Road, left on Wentworth Road. Gold house on right. Will transport.

Darling, Kathleen

24 Captains Drive, Yarmouth, ME 04096

Home: 671-7707

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Raccoons only.

Dolloff, Amy

PO Box 35, Raymond, ME 04071

Home: 787-3086 **Bus:** 797-8025

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. All mammals.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Maine Society for the Protection of Animals

Goodreau, Marilyn L.

PO Box 10, 279 River Road, South Windham, ME 04082

Home: 892-4000 **Bus:** 892-4000

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. A large aviary and several nesting boxes for birds or small wild animals.

Directions: Large white farmhouse with white barn directly across the road from Maine Correctional Center. Name on the barn.

Hawkins, Karen

963 South High Street, Bridgton, ME 04009

Home: 647-3734 **Bus:** 647-3734 **Email:** barefootoftuiewallemporium.com

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All wildlife.

Directions: 2.5 miles on Route 117 towards Denmark at bottom of small hill on the right side. Mailbox shaped like white house w/green roof. Does not transport.

Jackson, Jessica

47 Meadow Rd. (P.O. Box 340), Casco, ME 04015

Home: 807-2585

Rehab details: No Federal Permit, small mammals.

Directions: Rte 302 to Rte 121 in Raymond. Right on 121, follow for 4.5 miles. There's a gas station on left & Plains Road on right. Fourth driveway on the right.

Big white house with brown deck.

Knight, Jack

45 Castle Lane, Bridgton, ME 04009

Home: 647-5718 **Bus:** 647-3454

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. All wildlife. Has facilities to care for bear, deer, and baby moose.

Directions: Route 107, Fire Lane 202.

Poppema, Louise

279 Range Road, Cumberland Center, ME 04021

Home: 829-3356 **Bus:** 829-8047

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small Mammals, raccoons, no birds.

Directions: Approximately 60-70 feet from Range Road.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Richardson, Pamela

6 Worcester Drive, Raymond, ME 04071

Home: 428-3348 **Email:** pol89500@hotmail.com

Rehab details: No Federal Permit Aquatic mammals, small mammals and reptiles.

Directions: From Brown Road in Raymond bear right at 2 forks onto Worcester Drive. 3rd house on left, just past cement bridge.

Richardson, Megan

6 Worcester Dr., Raymond, ME 04071

Home: 428-3348 **Email:** mrichardson@concurrencellc.com

Rehab details: No Federal permit. See description under Pamela Richardson.

Spalding, M. Susan

113 Hunter Road, Freeport, ME 04032

Home: 865-3772 **Bus:** 737-4748 **Email:** sue_spalding@coconetme.org

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit, Mammals and birds.

Directions: Hunter Road at corner of Merrill Road. Summer location is Bustin's Island, Freeport.

Sparks, David & Joshua

46 Rousseau Road, Windham, ME 04062

Home: 892-8905 **Bus:** 892-8905

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All birds.

Directions: One half mile from the River Road on Windham/Westbrook line.

Sponger, Martha (Kappy)

PO Box 187, Bridgton, ME 04009

Home: 647-5593 **Email:** kappys@megalink.net

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Specializes in fish-eating birds and chicks. Accepts all birds and mammals.

Directions: 137 Highland Road, 2.1 miles from Rt. 302.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Widdowson, Caryl

27 Whitney Road, Gray, ME 04039

Home: 657-2094 **Email:** cwnaturel@juno.com

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small mammals, no large mammals or foxes. Does not transport.

Franklin County

Bogardus, Donna

PO Box 41, West Farmington, ME 04992

Home: 624-1961 **Email:** bogardus@exploremaine.com

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All birds and mammals.

Directions: 132 Morrison Hill Road. Approx. 1/4 mile from Route 43W. 2nd house on left (white cape w/black roof).

Brown, Dawn

90 Mountain Road, New Sharon, ME 04955

Home: 778-2902

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small and large mammals.

Directions: 90 Mountain Road on Rome/New Sharon town line.

Cote, Donna M.

PO Box 92, New Sharon, ME 04955

Home: 778-2902 **Email:** wildliferehab@prexar.com

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small and large mammals. Black bear cubs and yearling rehab, research and release.

Directions: Located at 90 Mountain Road, New Sharon.

Aerie East

Parker, Ph.D., James

228 Holley Road, Farmington, ME 04938

Home: 778-9437 **Bus:** 778-9437 **Email:** aerieast@tdstelme.net

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All birds, no mammals.

Directions: Aerie East is on Holley Road, 2 miles north of Farmington.

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Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Reed, Donna

86 Warren Hill Road, Jay, ME 04239

Home: 320-1872

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. General rehabilitation.

Hancock County

Durost, Emily

P.O. Box 1339, 11 Spring Street, Bucksport, ME 04416

Home: 469-6429

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Only takes birds.

Directions: Blue house at corner of Bagley Avenue and Spring St.

Fox, Nancy

659 Newbury Neck Road, Surry, ME 04684

Home: 667-5130

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small mammals, no birds.

Grierson, Heather

Acadia Zoo, 446 Bar Harbor Road, Trenton, ME 04605

Home: 667-3244 **Bus:** 667-3244

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All mammals with the exception of raccoons, and some birds.

Leightner, Robert A.

115 Crowley Island Road, Corea, ME 04624

Home: 963-7745

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. April 15 to Oct 15 only.

Directions: From Corea, turn left on Crowley Island Road. Only house on causeway, number 115.

Rivers, Ann

PO Box 207, Mt. Desert, ME 04660

Home: 288-4960

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Care for all birds, turtles and all mammals except raccoons. Specializes in bats, large mammals; have facilities for species requiring water.

Directions: Acadia Wildlife Foundation is 3 miles south of Town Hill Center.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Stanwood Wildlife Sanctuary

Richmond, Stanley

PO Box 485, Ellsworth, ME 04605

Home: 667-3595 **Bus:** 667-8460

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Migratory birds, no mammals.

Directions: Stanwood Wildlife Sanctuary, on the Bar Harbor Road, past the Maine Coast Mall.

Kennebec County

Cote, Donald & Carleen

1787 North Belfast Avenue, Vassalboro, ME 04989

Home: 445-4326 **Bus:** 445-4326

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Birds, mammals, turtles, raccoons.

Directions: Adjacent to Three-Mile Pond rest area/boat launch. Gray house & garage.

Davis D.V.M., Peter

220 Western Avenue, Augusta, ME 04330

Home: 622-6181 **Bus:** 622-6181

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Full service veterinary hospital available for initial care and subsequent transfer.

DEW Animal Kingdom

Miner, Robert

918 Pond Road, Mount Vernon, ME 04352

Home: 293-2837 **Bus:** 293-2837

Rehab details: No Federal Permit.

Directions: North end of Echo Lake off Route 41. Also another property 1 mile north on right across from Ithiel Gordon Road.

Farrington, Adam

141 Watson Road, Poland, ME 04274

Home: 210-1366

Rehab details: Snakes, turtles and amphibians. Small mammals and deer, otters, mink, muskrats.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Maple Lane Farm

Portela, William

36 Greeley Road, Windsor, ME 04363

Home: 549-3495 **Email:** mplelnfarm@aol.com

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. All animals.

Directions: On Greeley Road off Route 105 in Windsor, 2.3 miles East of Hussey's Store (Maple Farm Lane).

Knox County

Maloney D.V.M., Margo Bryant

6 Great Marsh Lane, Owls Head, ME 04854

Home: 594-7163 **Bus:** 557-5669

Email: elsagsp@aol.com

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All wildlife.

Lincoln County

Barnes, Larry

179 Beechnut Hill Road, Wiscasset, ME 04578

Home: 882-4282 **Cell:** 380-5552

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Birds of Prey only.

The Chewonki Foundation

Coleman, Christopher R.

485 Chewonki Neck Road, Wiscasset, ME 04578

Home: 443-1466 **Bus:** 882-7323 **Email:** ccoleman@chewonki.org

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Bats, songbirds, hawks, owls, porcupines and some waterfowl.

Directions: Take Route 144 to Route 1 Wiscasset, then right onto Chewonki Neck Road. Facility at end of road on left. Large red building called *Center for Environmental Education*.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Domeyer, D.V.M., Dean

1033 Wiscasset Road, PO Box 178, Boothbay, ME 04537

Home: 633-6309 **Bus:** 633-3447

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small mammals and reptiles.

Directions: Boothbay Animal Hospital is SW of Boothbay common on Route 27.

The Chewonki Foundation Flaccus, Lynne

485 Chewonki Neck Road, Wiscasset, ME 04578

Home: 549-3326 **Bus:** 882-7323 **Email:** lflaccus@chewonki.org

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Will rehabilitate turtles only

Directions: Chewonki Foundation facilities in Wiscasset. Chewonki Neck Road.

Green, Bridget

PO Box 88, Wiscasset, ME 04578

Home: 882-7951 **Cell:** 631-0874

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small mammals, raccoons. No birds.

Directions: Approx. 2 miles from downtown. Follow Route 1 south behind Green's gas station. Fire Road 608, gray home back in the woods.

Pratt, Mary (Betsy)

434 Pension Ridge Road, Boothbay, ME 04537

Home: 633-3617 **Bus:** 882-9677

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small mammals, raccoons, especially squirrels.

Directions: Route 27 (Boothbay) to Hardwick Road to end. Right on Pension Ridge, 1¹/₂ miles to tan ranch house on left. Will transport.

Szelog, Lee & Thomas

PO Box 36, Whitefield, ME 04353

Home: 549-5151

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. General rehabilitation.

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Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Welsh, Christine D.V.M.

(PO. Box 530) Damariscotta Veterinary Clinic, 530 Main St.,
Damariscotta, ME 04543

Bus: 563-3934 **Cell:** 563-5778

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit.

Directions: 1.5 miles norm of Damariscotta Village on business Rt. 1.

Williams, Kathy

132 Old Country Road, Edgecomb, ME 04556

Home: 882-5522 **Cell:** 841-3390

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small and large mammals,
nonfederal birds.

Directions: Rte 27 south to Old Country Rd. At the bottom of large
hill you will see a brown house with barn in the back.

Oxford County

Gregg, Cathie

P.O. Box 97, Madison, NH 03849

Home: (603) 367-9453

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All mammals.

Directions: Center for Wildlife is located on Rte. 41 on Silver Lake
in Madison, NH. Turn at Elaine Connors Center for Wildlife sign.

Holden D.V.M., Matthew E.

136 Western Avenue, South Paris, ME 04281

Home: 743-8385 **Bus:** 743-9271

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit.

Directions: Oxford Hills Veterinary Hospital—Full service
Veterinary Hospital.

Her, Fred

25 Porter Springs Road, Porter, ME 04068

Home: 625-7019 **Email:** iler@psouth.net

Rehab details: No Federal Permit.

Directions: Take #160 from South Hiram 1.7 miles to Porter
Springs Road. Road is on the left. The house is at the end of Porter
Springs Road.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Earth Childrens Haven Open Skies Thurlow, Melody Echo

337 Shedd Road, Norway, ME 04268

Home: 527-2310

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Small mammals, all birds, deer fawns.

Directions: Rt. 188 from Norway, right on Shedd Road, 2 miles to house on right.

Penobscot County

Arthurs, Jr., William

2762 Lee Road, Lee, ME 04455

Home: 738-2353

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Set up for anything with fur.

Directions: Log cabin house is on Mallets Mill Road, 1/4 mile from Route 168 and 1/2 mile from Route 6.

Bryant, Deborah

15 Hudson Road, Alton, ME 04468

Home: 827-2230

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small mammals, raccoons, no bats.

Directions: I-95 to Old Town/Hudson exit. Head towards Hudson. Go 5 miles. Hirundo Wildlife Refuge is on the right. Please go to Gate 2 or 3.

Feher D.V.M., Robert

111 Pierce Road, Brewer, ME 04412

Bus: 989-6531 **Email:** brewervet@adelphia.net

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Full service veterinary hospital. Initial care only, then referred to another rehabilitator.

Directions: Brewer Veterinary Clinic, Route 1, Pierce Road.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Jordan, Evelyn

149 Pea Ridge Road, Chester, ME 04457

Home: 794-6178

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. Birds and Reptiles. 1.5 miles down Pea Ridge Road in Town of Chester, 1 mile past Chester Animal Hospital.

Piscataquis County

French, Ruth

62 French Road, Dover-Foxcroft, ME 04426

Home: 564-7434

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Birds or mammals.

Directions: Dover South Mills, near Brann's Mills Pond.

Sagadahoc County

Bryan, Deborah

49 Deer Run Road, Bowdoin, ME 04287

Phone: 666-8036 **Cell:** 725-2088

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Small and large mammals.

Directions: Take left on 201 North to Rte 125 E. Go past Lewis Hill Rd, go up small hill. Deer Run Rd is the first paved road on the left. Home is fourth driveway on right, #49.

McLuer, Sarah

P.O. Box 511, Woolich, ME 04579

Phone: 442-7166

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. No Birds. Small mammals, primarily transport.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Somerset County

Answered Prayer Acre

Mullin, Jane

PO Box 190, 168 Barron Road, North Anson, ME 04958

Home: 635-2377 **Bus:** 431-4038

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. All mammals. Experienced ACO. Will transport.

Directions: 1/3 mile on Barron Road off Route 16. West out of North Anson towards North New Portland, actually in Embden.

Murphy, Paulette G.

200 Lower Ridge Road, Fairfield, ME 04937

Home: 453-0064 **Email:** teacup359@yahoo.com

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Prefers squirrels and chipmunks. Will accept raccoons, fox and other small mammals.

Directions: Take exit 130, go left & take 1st right on Ridge Road. Go to 200 on left, directly across from Gift & Lighthouse store.

Waldo County

Avian Haven

Payne, Marc

418 North Palermo Road, Freedom, ME 04941

Home: 382-6761 **Bus:** 382-6761 **Email:** avianhaven@pivot.net

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All birds and reptiles. No mammals.

Directions: Avian Haven is located on Palermo Road in Freedom. 1.5 miles north from South Freedom Road or 2 miles south from Rte 137. Gray-green cape.

Stone, Sandra

240 Swanvule Road, Frankfort, ME 04438

Home: 223-4213 **Bus:** 223-4427

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. All mammals, no birds.

Directions: Green barn on the Swanville Road about 2 miles from Swan Lake Park towards Frankfort.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

Avian Haven

Winn, Diane

418 North Palermo Road, Freedom, ME 04941

Home: 382-6761 **Bus:** 382-6761 **Email:** avianhaven@northlandlink.com

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All birds and reptiles. No mammals.

Directions: Avian Haven is located on Palermo Road in Freedom. 1.5 miles north from South Freedom Road or 2 miles south from Route 137. Gray-green cape.

Monsen, Julie

506 Banton Road, Palermo, ME 04354

Home: 993-2845

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit.

York County

Lank, Catherine

1 Saw Mill Rd., Kennebunk, ME 04043

Home: 985-4925

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Is mainly interested in rehabbing raccoons, but is willing to temporarily house other mammals until they can go to the appropriate rehabilitator.

Directions: Off the Ross Road in Kennebunk.

Lund, Lisa

693 Coding Road, Acton, ME 04001

Home: 636-1737 **Bus:** 477-8144

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. All mammals. No birds.

Directions: From Acton Fairground, turn left onto Milton Mills Road. Then left onto County Road. Immediate left is Coding Road. House is on the left.

1. Wildlife

Wildlife Rehabilitators by County

The Center for Wildlife

McElmurry, Karen

PO Box 620, Cape Neddick, ME 03902

Home: 361-2819 **Bus:** 361-1400 **Email:** mkld@gwi.net

Rehab details: Has Federal Permit. All birds and small mammals.
No rabies vector species.

Directions: Center for Wildlife located on Mountain Road in Cape Neddick.

Mitchell, DVM, Sandra

838 Portland Road, Saco, ME 04072

Home: 282-5151

Rehab details: No Federal Permit.

Directions: Located on Rt. 1 in Saco

Ziebart, Carolyn

259 River Road, Limington, ME 04049

Home: 675-3629

Rehab details: No Federal Permit. Squirrels, rabbits, opossum.

Maine Wildlife Groups: Advocacy and Education

ReMaineWild

PO Box 113, Newcastle, ME

Phone: 829-3356 **Email:** remainewild@remainewild.org

Web site: www.remainewild.org

Wildlife Alliance of Maine

96 Harlow Street, 3rd floor, Suite 1A, Bangor, ME 04401

Phone: 941-WILD **Email:** mfo@wildlifeallianceofmaine.org

Web site: www.wildlifeallianceofmaine.org

Maine Audubon Society

20 Gilsland Farm Road, Falmouth, ME 04105

Phone: 781-2330 **Fax:** 781-0974 **Email:** info@maineaudubon.org

Web site: www.maineaudubon.org

State Agencies, Laws and Rules

Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

284 State Street, 41 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04533-0041

Phone: 287-8000

Notes: *Call 287-8000 to reach the Administration, Fisheries and Wildlife Divisions, Maine Warden Service, general information about fish and wildlife and licenses.*

Call 287-8003 to reach the automated Fish and Wildlife line. This line provides 24-hour information and updates on hunting and fishing seasons and new laws.

Operation Game Thief

1-800-253-7887 or 1-800-ALERT US to report violations of Maine hunting and fishing laws.

Laws & Rules

The laws are found in the Statutes of Maine, Titlee 12, available online on State of Maine Web site: http://www.maine.gov/ifw/laws_rules/index.htm (laws and rules).

Emergencies

To reach a game warden, 24-hours a day, contact Maine State Police at one of the following numbers:

Augusta: 1-800-452-4664

Piscataquis County Sheriff Dept: 1-800-432-7372

Houlton: 1-800-924-2261

Orono: 1-800-432-7381

Gray: 1-800-228-0857

Rescues and Shelters

State-licensed animal shelters are independently operated and offer a wide range of services. Some do much to enrich the lives of the animals while in their care; provide behavioral assessments using nationally recognized tests to help match people with appropriate companion animals; have high placements rates; and provide preventative and restorative medical treatment when funding allows. Others provide a very basic level of care for strays as mandated by State law. All of the animals in their care deserve your consideration for adoption.

There are two licensed Farm Animal Rescues or Sanctuaries in the State of Maine at this time:

Double B Equine Rescue (*accepts/arm animals*)

Bob & Brenda Dubois

997 West Mills Road, Industry, ME 04938

Phone: 778-6479 **Website:** www.mamehorsescue.com

Finding resources to handle a farm animal rescue requires some creativity. Here are some suggestions:

- Contact your local companion animal shelter to ask if they are aware of anyone able to assist you.
- Contact the Animal Welfare Program in Augusta:
Animal Welfare Program, Dept. of Agriculture 28 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04330
Phone: 287-3846 or toll free at 1-877-269-9200
Email: animal.welfare@maine.gov
- Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals in South Windham is mostly an equine shelter but may be able to assist:
Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals PO Box 10, South Windham, ME 04082
Phone: 1-800-482-7447.

2. Farm Animals

Rescues and Shelters

Out of State Sanctuaries:

Farm Sanctuary offers the Farm Animal Adoption Network, Farm Animal Placement Assistance and a Farm Animal Placement Bulletin Board:

Farm Sanctuary

PO Box 150, Watkins Glen, NY 14891

Phone: 607-583-2225 **Fax:** 607-583-2041

Email: info@fannsanctuary.org

Web site: www.farmsanctuary.org

Farm Animal Adoption: http://www.farmsanctuary.org/adopt/index_faen.htm

Farm Sanctuary also has a great library of farm animal care by species available online.

Woodstock Farm Animal Sanctuary

PO Box 1329, Woodstock, NY 12498

Email: info@woodstockfas.org

Web site: <http://www.woodstockfas.org>

VeganPeace Animal Sanctuary

The Peace Abbey

Two North Main Street, Sherborn, MA 01770

Phone: 508-650-3659 **Fax:** 508-655-5031

Email: info@peaceabbey.org

Massachusetts Society for the Protection of Animals

The MSPCA at Nevins Farm

400 Broadway, Box 455, Methuen, MA

Phone: 978-687-7453 **Email:** questions@mspca.org

Web site: www.mspca.org

Winslow Farm

37 Eddy Street, Norton, MA 02766

Phone: 508-285-6451 **Email:** wnslofarm@aol.com

National Shelter and Resource List:

<http://www.farmanimalshelters.org/links.htm>

State Agencies (farm animals)

Maine Department of Agriculture

Division of Health and Industry

Donald E. Hoenig, Director and State Veterinarian

28 State House Station Deering Bldg.—AMHI Complex

Augusta, ME 04333-0028

Phone: 287-7615 **Email:** donald.e.hoenig@maine.gov

Web site: <http://www.maine.gov/agriculture/ahi/index.html>

The Division of Health and Industry is the state agency charged with prevention of contagious diseases among poultry and livestock. It is not a farm animal welfare agency! The purposes of the agency are: disease prevention among poultry and farmed animals, promotion of food safety and public health as those relate to diseases that may affect human beings, enhancement of the quality and health of livestock, control of possible disease outbreaks, technical assistance and law enforcement assistance to control livestock and poultry diseases, and other tasks.

Rescues and Shelters

All state-licensed animal shelters are independently operated and offer a wide range of services. Some do much to enrich the lives of the animals while in their care; provide behavioral assessments using nationally recognized tests to help match people with appropriate companion animals; have high placements rates; and provide preventative and restorative medical treatment when funding allows. Others provide a very basic level of care for strays as mandated by State Law. All of the animals in their care deserve your consideration for adoption.

B Equine Rescue (*accepts/arm animals*)

Bob & Brenda Dubois

997 West Mills Road, Industry, ME 04938

Phone: 778-6479

Downcast Large Animal Society

Hatchery Rd, Cherryfield, ME 04622

Phone: (207) 638-3005

Ever After Mustang Rescue

463 West St., Biddeford, ME 04005

Phone: 284-7721

Hemlock Valley Equine Rescue

326 Richville Rd., Standish, ME 04084

Phone: 838-1956

Rockin T Equine Rescue, Inc.

60 Edgcomb Road, Lisbon Falls, ME 04252

Phone: 353-6581

Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals

PO Box 10, South Windham, ME 04082

Phone: 1-800-482-7447

Open Gates Equine Rescue, Inc.

407 Morse Road, New Gloucester, ME 04260

Phone: 926-5570

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Shelters and Rescue Groups

Madawaska Animal Holding Facility **Phone:** 728-6356
428 Main Street, Madawaska, ME 04756

Precious Paws Rescue & Adoption, Inc. **Phone:** 868-2828
15 Main Street, Van Buren, ME 04785

Van Buren Animal Holding Facility **Phone:** 868-3481
65 Main Street, Van Buren, ME 04785

Cumberland County

**Animal Behavior Consultants and
Avant-Garde Pet Care, LLC** **Phone:** 892-8388
301 Roosevelt Trail, Windham, ME 04062

Animal Refuge League **Phone:** 854-9771
449 Stroudwater Street, Westbrook, ME 04092

Carway Kennels Animal Shelter **Phone:** 829-6612
PO Box 377, Cumberland, ME 04021

Coastal Humane Society, Inc. **Phone:** 725-5051
30 Range Road, Brunswick, ME 04011

Homeless Animal Rescue Team of Maine (*cats only*) **Phone:** 829-4116
PO Box 351, Cumberland, ME 04021

Portland Animal Holding Facility **Phone:** 874-8555
Portland Police Dept., Portland, ME 04101

Maine Greyhound Placement Service **Phone:** 846-4707
505 East Main Street, Yarmouth, ME 04096

Seymour's Bird Refuge **Phone:** 829-5762
6 Forest Lake Road, Cumberland, ME 04021

Tall Tails Beagle Rescue **Phone:** 797-5392
81 Pleasant Hills Road, Freeport, ME 04032

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Tall Tails Beagle Rescue

PO Box 693, Falmouth, ME 04105

Phone: 831-0391

Franklin County

Franklin County Animal Shelter

550 Industry Road, Farmington, ME 04938

Phone: 778-2638

Hancock County

Acadia Veterinary Hospital

21 Federal Street, Bar Harbor, ME 04609

Phone: 288-5733

Bucksport Animal Holding Facility

PO Drawer X, Bucksport, ME 04416

Phone: 468-7368

Small Animal Clinic

9 Toothaker Lane, Ellsworth, ME 04605

Phone: 667-2341

Southwest Harbor Animal Shelter

Box 434, Southwest Harbor, ME 04679

Phone: 244-3749

SPCA of Hancock County

141 Bar Harbor Rd., Trenton, ME 04605

Phone: 667-8088

Kennebec County

Charley's Strays, Inc.

PO Box 64, Clinton, ME 04927-0064

Phone: 426-9482

Dogs Deserve Better of Windsor

23 Rogers Road, Windsor, ME 04363

Phone: 215-6972

Humane Society—Waterville Area

100 Webb Road, Waterville, ME 04901-5755

Phone: 872-9222

Kennebec Valley Humane Society

10 Pet Haven Lane, Augusta, ME 04330

Phone: 626-3491

Pals (cats only)

188 Case Road, Winthrop, ME 04343

Phone: 395-4274

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Shelters and Rescue Groups

Knox County

Camden/Rockport Animal Rescue League **Phone:** 236-8702
PO Box 707, Rockport, ME 04856-0707

Humane Society of Knox County **Phone:** 594-2200
PO Box 1294, Rockland, ME 04841-1294

Olivia's Vero Vista **Phone:** 594-9554
26 Spruce Point, South Thomaston, ME 04858

Lincoln County

Chesapeake Safe Harbor **Phone:** 529-4127
113 Waldoboro Road, Bremen, ME 04551

Lincoln County Animal Shelter **Phone:** 882-9677
PO Box 7, Edgecomb, ME 04556

Perry Greene Kennel **Phone:** 832-5227
449 Atlantic Highway, Waldoboro, ME 04572

Oxford County

Allen Hill Animal Shelter **Phone:** 743-7217
455 Alien Hill Road, Oxford, ME 04270

Fur & Feathers **Phone:** 674-3088
41 Heikkinen Road, Bryant Pond, ME 04219

Harvest Hills Animal Shelter **Phone:** 935-4358
1389 Bridgton Road, Fryeburg, ME 04037

Long Journey to a New Beginning **Phone:** 697-2299
Stow, ME **E-mail:** wmopetproject@roadrunner.com

Mckennel's Animal Adoption Agency **Phone:** 364-7176
88 Hall Hill Road, Rumford, ME 04276

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Shelters and Rescue Groups

Responsible Pet Care **Phone:** 743-8679
132 Waterford Road, Norway, ME 04268

Penobscot County

The Animal Orphanage **Phone:** 827-8777
PO Box 565, Orono, ME 04473

Bangor Humane Society **Phone:** 942-8902
693 Mt. Hope Ave., Bangor, ME 04401

Biscuit Ridge Farm **Phone:** 949-1582
5 Hasseltine Way, Milford, ME 04461

Brewer Veterinary Clinic **Phone:** 989-6531
111 Pierce Road, Brewer, ME 04412

Carson's Animal Shelter **Phone:** 471-0198
79 Hoxie Hill Road, Orrington, ME 04474

Little Wanderers Animal Adoption **Phone:** 327-1422
383 Corinth Road, Hudson, ME 04449

Morse's Feline Rescue Foundation **Phone:** 947-0333
PO Box 135, Milford, ME 04461

Penobscot Valley Humane Society **Phone:** 794-3457
PO Box 73, Lincoln, ME 04457

Pet Motel **Phone:** 275-2800
534 Dexter Road, Corinna, ME 04928

Piscataquis County

Foxcroft Veterinary Services, PA **Phone:** 564-2144
PO Box 418, Dover-Foxcroft, ME 04426

Greenville Animal Shelter **Phone:** 695-3835
PO Box 1109, Greenville, ME 04441

Penquis Animal Welfare Sanctuary **Phone:** 943-2324
39 Clinton St., Milo, ME 04463

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Sagadahoc County

Great Dane Rescue

9 Ladyslipper Lane, Topsham, ME 04086

Phone: 729-0679

Somerset County

Moose River Animal Shelter

724 Main Street, Moose River, ME 04945

Phone: 942-8902

Siesta Sanctuary

104 Brown Road, Harmony, ME 04942

Phone: 949-1582

Somerset Humane Society

PO Box 453, Skowhegan, ME 04976

Phone: 989-6531

Waldo County

Townline Animal Shelter/Fitzjurls Farm

46 Baker Road, Belfast, ME 04915

Phone: 471-0198

Washington County

The Ark Animal Shelter

PO Bo 276, Cherryfield, ME 04622

Phone: 564-2144

Baileyville Animal Holding Facility

PO Box 637, Baileyville, ME 04694

Phone: 695-3835

First Light Farm

576 Shore Road, Perry, ME 04667

Phone: 853-9453

P.A.W.S.

PO Box 182, Calais, ME 04619

Phone: 853-9453

Perry Animal Holding Facility

PO Box 430, Perry, ME 04667

Phone: 853-9453

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Shelters and Rescue Groups

York County

Animal Welfare Society **Phone** 985-3244
PO Box 43, West Kennebunk, ME 04094-0045

Buxton Police Dept. **Phone** 929-6612
185 Portland Road, Buxton, ME 04093

Ferret Rescue of Maine **Phone** 727-6905
429 Parker Farm Road, Buxton, ME 04093

Golden Retriever Rescue Lifeline, Inc. **Phone** 282-4251
6 Charles Ave., Biddeford, ME 04003

Kittery Animal Hospital, Inc. **Phone** 439-6674
195 State Road, Kittery, ME 03904

Old Orchard Beach Animal Shelter **Phone** 934-4911
136 Saco Ave., Old Orchard Beach, ME 04064

The Critter Bam, Inc. **Phone** 698-4580
63 Blackberry Hill Road, Berwick, ME 03901

The Last Resort Companion Animal Sanctuary **Phone** 698-5000
163 Rochester Street, Berwick, ME 03901

New Hampshire

Loki Clan Wolf Refuge, Inc. **Phone** 603-694-2001
PO Box 1186, Conway, NH 03818

New Hampshire Doberman Rescue League **Phone** 603-457-132
PO Box 1911, Rochester, NH 03866-1911

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Exotic Birds/Feral Cats/Emergency

Exotic Birds

Seymour's Bird Refuge

204 Gray Road, West Cumberland, ME 04021

<http://seymourbirdrefuge.com/>

Phone: 829-5752

Feral Cats

Friends of Feral Felines

PO Box 8137 Portland, ME 04104

651 Forest Avenue, Portland, ME 04101

www.feralfelines.net/

Phone:797-3014

Animal Emergency Veterinary Clinics

Animal Emergency Clinic 24 hr. Veterinary Hospital

739 Warren Avenue, Portland, ME

Phone:878-3121

Animal Emergency Clinic of Mid-Maine

37 Strawberry Ave., Lewiston, ME

Phone:777-1110

The Eastern Maine Emergency Clinic

15 Dirigo Dr., Brewer, ME

Phone:989-6267

York County Veterinary Emergency & Referral Center

20 Hill Road, Arundel, ME 04046

Phone:284-9911

Blackstrap Hills Veterinary Clinic (*Equine*)
(*on call for emergencies*)

21 Schuster Rd., Cumberland, ME 04021

www.mainehorsevet.com

Phone:797-6000

New Hampshire

Emergency Veterinary Clinic of the Seacoast Region

300 Gosling Rd., Portsmouth, NH

Phone: 603-431-3600

Poison Control

If you believe that your animal has been poisoned, call your local veterinarian immediately. Signs of poisoning may include: listlessness, abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhea, muscle tremors, lack of coordination, and/or fever among others.

If you are unable to get emergency assistance from a local veterinarian, call the ASPCA Poison Control Center at 1-888-426-4435 or 1-900-680-0000. The Center operates a hotline 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. There may be a consultation fee (\$65) so you will need to provide your name and credit card number. For free basic information about poison emergencies for companion animals call the Northern New England Poison Center at 1-800-222-1222.

Be prepared for their questions by knowing as much information as possible about the species, breed, age, sex, size and weight of the animal you are calling about. Be prepared to describe the symptoms the animal is experiencing, and if available, any information on the type of poisonous material, and time when ingested.

For more information, visit the ASPCA Poison Control Center at www.aspca.org

Pet Purchaser Rights

Before you buy a dog from a breeder or pet store, please consider the many available dogs looking for forever homes in Maine animal shelters!

Pet Purchaser Rights in Maine

If you do purchase a pet, be an informed consumer. Most dogs in pet shops come from puppy mills. Instead of buying a dog from a pet shop or backyard breeder, ask your veterinarian to recommend breeders in your area or contact your local kennel club.

Maine Law sections 4151 to 5163, Maine law (7 M.R.S.A. §§4151 - 4162) sets forth consumer rights concerning the sale of dogs and cats. This law gives purchasers of dogs or cats a recourse when the animal they purchase from a pet dealer is either ill at the time of the purchase or dies within a year of the purchase due to a disease, an illness, or a congenital or hereditary condition.

To obtain these remedies the purchaser must meet certain notification deadlines. For example, 7 M.R.S.A. § 4155 (1) requires the following:

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If, within 10 days after receipt of the animal by the purchaser, a veterinarian states in writing that the animal has a health problem that existed in the animal at the time of delivery or if, within one year after receipt of the animal by the purchaser, a veterinarian states in writing that due to a hereditary or congenital defect the animal has died or has a condition that will shorten its life or will require constant treatment during its life, the animal is considered to have been unfit for sale at the time of sale.

The pet dealer must also make certain mandatory disclosures to customers. For example, the pet dealer must provide a summary of the purchaser's consumer rights under this law and a signed statement that the animal at the time of delivery has no known health problem or a statement disclosing any known health problem (See 7 M.R.S.A. § 4160).

Source and for more information, contact: <http://www.maine.gov/ag/>
Central Office: Burton M. Cross Building, 6th Floor
6 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333
Phone: 626-8800 **TTY:** 626-8865

Other Resources

Assistance with Paying Vet Bills

If a companion animal owner is having trouble affording veterinary care the Humane Society of the United States recommends the following:

1. If you do not have a credit card, ask your veterinarian if she will allow you to pay on a weekly or monthly basis. Or offer to perform a service for your vet such as cleaning kennels or answering phones. Your veterinarian, if certified by the American Animal Hospital Association, can request assistance from the AAHA' Helping Pets Funds'

You may also consider getting a second opinion. This means additional expenses but another veterinarian may suggest a less expensive method of treatment. Also feel free to call different veterinarians to compare prices. Also consider contacting the veterinary school closest to Maine, Tufts.

2. Think about ways to raise some extra cash. This could include a bank loan, yard sale, asking your employer for an advance or getting a second job. You may want to ask for money from friends or family, or even strangers. GiveForward enables you to create a personal fundraising page to raise funds for pet medical care. They charge a small percentage of funds raised.

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Assistance with Paying Vet Bills

3. There are many national animal welfare organizations that provide assistance in paying veterinary bills:

IMOM Inc. **IMOM.org**

Help-A-Pet **help-a-pet.org**

The Pet Fund **thepetfund.com**

Good Sam Fund **goodsamfund.org**

United Animal Nations Lifeline Fund **uan.org**

Angels for Animals **angels4animals.org**

Brown Dog Foundation **browndogfoundation.org/home**

Feline Veterinary Emergency Assistance Program **fveap.org**

Feline Outreach **felineoutreach.org**

Cats in Crisis **catsincrisis.org**

The Perseus Foundation (cancer specific) **PerseusFoundation.org**

Canine Cancer Awareness **caninecancerawareness.org**

Cody's Club (radiation treatments) **codysclub.bravehost.com/**

Diabetic Pets Fund **petdiabetes.net/fund/**

The Mosby Foundation **the mosbyfoundation.org**

Magic Bullet Fund (cancer-specific) **the magicbulletfund.org**

The Binky Foundation **binkyfoundation.org**

God's Creatures Ministry Veterinary Charity

<http://www.all-creatures.org/gcm/help-cf.html>

Jake Brady Memorial Fund **http://www.myjakebrady.com/memorial_fund.shtml**

GiveForward (set up a personal fundraising page) **<http://www.giveforward.org/>**

Some are for certain breeds of dogs:

CorgiAid corgiaid.org

Special Needs Dobermans doberman911.org

Dougal's Helping Paw (Scottish Terriers, West Highland White and other small short legged terriers)

<http://www.imagineave.com/helpingpaws/p-contactus.htm>

Labmed labmed.org

Labrador Lifeline labradorlifeline.org

Westmed (West Highland White Terriers) westiemed.org

Pyramedic Trust (Great Pyreneses)

www.angelfire.com/bc2/pyramedic/summary.html

Helping Harley Cancer Treatment Grant (working service dogs)

<http://grants.landofpuregold.com>

Assistance Dogs Special Allowance Program

<http://www.cdss.ca.gov/cdssweb/PG82.htm>

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Other Resources

Cremation

FLUKE'S AFTERCARE, committed to providing you with the assurance that the physical body of the pet you love is tended to in a dignified, professional manner. Private and group cremation available.
340 Oak Hill Road, Litchfield, ME 04350
Phone: 268-2912 **Toll Free:** 1-877-268-2912 **Cell:** 207-212-3064
www.flukesaftercare.com

Humane Dog Trainers

The Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers (CCPDT) is an international testing and certification program for professional dog trainers. The CCPDT's certification program is based on humane training practices and the latest scientific knowledge related to dog training. Competence and continued growth in training practices is promoted through the recertification of qualifications of qualified professionals. To find certified humane dog trainers in Maine, go to www.ccpdt.org.

Pet Loss

APLB—THE ASSOCIATION FOR PET LOSS AND BEREAVEMENT, INC.

PO Box 106, Brooklyn, NY 11230

Phone: 1-718-382-0690

www.aplb.org

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Other Resources/Spay and Neuter

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE PET LOSS HELP LINE: 1-877-394-2273:

The University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine offers free support to all grieving individuals. Leave a message on the answering machine. Calls will be returned 7:00pm-9:00pm CT, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays.

www.cvm.uiuc.edu/CARE/

Traveling with Pets

Plan ahead when traveling with animals. For animal friendly accommodations, see www.travelpets.com.

Assistance with Spay and Neuter Costs

THE HELP FIX ME PROGRAM: A few local shelters such as the Animal Welfare Society and the Bangor Humane Society have their own specific spay and neuter programs for residents of their coverage area. Please contact your local shelter to see if there is any help available. Maine now has a special fund to assist low income Mainers prevent pet overpopulation by spaying and neutering their pets. The HELP FIX ME program is administered by the Maine Department of Agriculture's Animal Welfare Program.

You may be eligible for the States low cost spay/neuter program if you have a household income of less than 133% of the Federal poverty level, or if you receive or are eligible for one of the following programs:

- Food Stamps
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

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- Social Security Disability (SSD)
- Maine Care (Medicaid)

You can have your cat fixed for \$10, and your dog fixed for \$20, at participating veterinarians.

For eligibility information and other questions, call 1-800-367-1317

Important: It is now possible to make a voluntary contribution to the HELP FIX ME PROGRAM on your Maine State Income Tax Return (schedule CP). Check the box called Companion Animal Sterilization Fund!

Help keep the fund going by making a contribution!

The fund will be used to save lives by:

- spaying/neutering cats and dogs
- preventing unwanted litters
- lowering shelter intakes
- lowering shelter euthanasia rates
- reducing the number of feral cats
- reducing dog bites

For more information, call HELP FIX ME! 1-800-367-1317

You can also help by purchasing an Animal Welfare specialty license plate. The proceeds are equally distributed between the Animal Welfare Auxiliary Fund and the Companion Animal Sterilization Fund.

Domestic Violence

Often victims of domestic violence are afraid to leave their abusive homes because they do not want to leave their pets behind. More and more resources are now becoming available to help victims make sure their animals do not have to be left behind. Please call your local animal shelter or domestic violence advocacy group to find out if there is a program available to help you make temporary arrangements for your pets.

Maine law gives judges the statutory authority to make orders with respect to the “care, custody and control of any animal owned, possessed, leased, kept or held by either party or a minor child residing in the household.” Maine law also includes animals in its criminal stalking laws. A person is guilty of stalking if he/she intentionally engages in a course of

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conduct directed at another person that reasonably causes that other person to fear injury to or death of an animal owned by or in the possession or control of the other person. These laws recognize the importance of animals in the lives of victims of family violence.

If you are a victim of domestic violence, here are some important phone numbers:

Auburn

Organization: Greater Androscoggin Humane Society

Contact: Steven Dostie, Shelter Director

55 Strawberry Ave., Lewiston, ME 04240

Phone: 786-4713 **FAX:** 207-782-5521 **Email:** steven@gahumane.org

Brunswick

Program: Crisis Care

Organization: The Coastal Humane Society, Inc.

Contact: Karen Simpson, Executive Director

30 Range Road, Brunswick, ME 04011-2209

Phone: 725-5051 **FAX:** 207-725-4111

Email: info@coastalhumanesociety.org

Rockland

Organization: New Hope for Women

Contact: Natasha Chase, Services Director

PO Box A, Rockland, ME 04841-0733

Phone: 594-2128 **FAX:** 207-594-0811 **Email:** nchase@newhopeforwomen.org

Waterville

Program: PAC-People and Animals in Crisis

Organization: Humane Society Waterville Area

Contact: Mary Wyman, Kennel Supervisor

100 Webb Rd., Waterville, ME 04901

Phone: 873-2430 **FAX:** 207-873-1266 **Email:** mary@hswa.com

Westbrook

Program: Pets Program

Organization: Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland

Contact: Kathleen Fobear, Humane Education Director

449 Stroudwater St., Westbrook, ME 04092-4070

Phone: 854-9771 **FAX:** 207-854-4105 **Email:** kfobear@arlgp.org

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West Kennebunk

Program: Pets and Women to Safety (PAWS)

Organization: Animal Welfare Society

Contact: Gail Crowell, Program Coordinator

PO Box 43, West Kennebunk, ME 04094-0043

Phone: 985-3244 **FAX:** 207-985-1446 **Email:** awsvol@animalwelfaresociety.org

If you do not live in the area covered by the programs listed above, here are the numbers for domestic violence program, which may or may not have programs for pets:

Safe Voices (*Androscoggm, Franklin & Oxford Counties*)

Hotline: 1-800-559-2927; Administrative office 795-6814

Battered Women's Project (*Aroostook county*)

Hotline: 1-800-439-2323

Caring Unlimited (*York County*)

Hotline: 1-800-239-7298

Family Crisis Services (*Cumberland & Sagadahoc Counties*)

Hotline: 1-866-834-4357 or 874-1973 *All numbers TTY accessible*

Family Violence Project (*Kennebec & Somerset Counties*)

Hotline: 1-877-890-7788 or 623-3569 **TTY:** 207-623-3569

New Hope for Women (*Knox, Lincoln & Waldo Counties*)

Admin. & Hotline: 594-2128 or 1-800-522-3304

Peaceful Choices (*Washington County*)

Hotline: 1-800-604-8692

Spruce Run (*Penobscot County*)

Hotline: 1-800-863-9909 or 947-0496 **TTY:** 207-955-3777

The Next Step (*Hancock County*)

Hancock County Hotline: 1-800-315-5579 or 667-4606

Womancare (*Piscataquis County*)

Hotline: 1-888-564-8165

The Linkage Project

50 Lydia Lane, South Portland, ME 04106

Phone: 874-1175 **FAX:** 207-874-1181 **TTY:** 207-874-1180

Email: thelink@yimaine.org **Web site:** www.linkproject.org

Help Fight Animal Abuse in Maine by Licensing Your Dog

Dogs must be licensed annually. Proof of current rabies vaccination must be provided. Licenses are available from the town clerk and in some areas are available online.

To find out if your municipality participates in online dog licensing, visit https://www.10informe.org/dog_license/begin.shtml.

The Animal Welfare Department within the Maine Department of Agriculture is the state agency that investigates complaints about animal abuse, neglect, and cruelty. Dog license fees are a significant portion of the agency's funding. Compliance with the dog licensing requirements will help the agency continue its important work and enable it to investigate complaints, train staff and educate the public on animal welfare issues.

If You Have Lost a Companion Animal

1) File “missing” reports at veterinarians' offices, the police department, and animal control. Follow up in person to make sure that a case of mistaken identity is not hampering a reunion with your companion animal.

2) Comb the neighborhood, paying special attention to spaces under porches, shrubs, and cars, as well as sheds, drain pipes, and other hiding places that might attract your frightened friend. Cover at least a 2-mile radius.

3) Ask delivery persons in your neighborhood if they have seen your animal running at large.

4) Post “missing” fliers, including a current photo that accurately portrays your companion animal—do not use one that is dated and misrepresents his or her appearance. At the top of your flier, write “REWARD,” and at the bottom list your home, work, and cell phone numbers.

- Keep the description vague or you may cause someone who has seen or rescued your animal to assume that he or she is not your lost friend. For example, many lost animals lose their collars—someone might think that your dog isn't the one on the poster simply because he or she is no longer wearing a red collar.
- Do not list the animal's name or behavioral traits. Lost animals

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often do not respond to their names or may behave differently when they are frightened.

- Don't hint that you think your friend has been stolen, i.e., don't say, "No questions asked," as it may discourage a rescuer from calling, worried that he or she will be accused of theft.
- Post your fliers at veterinary offices, animal control, pet and grooming shops, dog parks, schools, libraries, grocery stores—any place that displays a public bulletin board. Use sturdy tape or staples to place them on utility poles at busy intersections (you may wish to check with the utilities department to find out if such postings are legal). You'll need plenty of copies of your flier—plan to put up 200 posters the first day.

5) Visit your local animal shelter and animal control departments every day in person to see if your nonhuman friend has been turned in. Do not be satisfied with telephone inquiries. Shelters receive dozens of animals every day—and the staff person who answers your phone call may have missed seeing your friend come into the facility.

6) Place "lost" advertisements in all the local and weekly newspapers. Many publications will place such ads free of charge. Check the "found" ads every day.

7) If two weeks pass, update your flier. A rain-soaked, tattered flier can look months old to someone who might think the animal on your flier is long gone and can't be the same animal he or she has just rescued from busy traffic.

8) Don't give up. It's not uncommon for lost companion animals and their guardians to be reunited weeks or even months after becoming lost. It can be frustrating, but your perseverance will increase your chances of finding your lost friend.

**This advice was provided by PETA.*

National Resources:

AKC Companion Animal Recovery: 1-800-252-7894

Tatoo-A-Pet: 1-800-828-8667

Petfinders: 1-800-666-5678

Stolen Pet Hotline: 1-800-STOLEN-PET (1-800-786-5367)

5. Service Animals

Dogs

Service Animals

A new law was passed in 2008 that amended the Maine Human Rights Act by adding language that protects the use of service animals in housing and in the public.

A Service Animal is defined in 5 M.R.S.A section 4553, sub sec. 9-D as:

Any animal that has been determined necessary to mitigate the effects of a physical or mental disability by a physician, psychologist, physician's assistant, nurse practitioner or licensed social worker; or

Any animal individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a physical or mental disability, including, but not limited to, guiding individuals with impaired vision, alerting individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing to intruders or sounds, providing reasonable protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair or fetching dropped items.

The Maine Human Rights Act (5 M.R.S.A. section 4582-A, subsection 3) states that it is unlawful housing discrimination for a lessor of property to refuse to permit the use of service animals unless it is shown that the service animal poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others or the use of the service animal would result in substantial physical damage to the property of others or would substantially interfere with the reasonable enjoyment of the housing accommodation by others. The use of a service animal may not be conditioned on the payment of a fee or security deposit, although the individual with a physical or mental disability is liable for any damage done to the premises by such a service animal.

The Maine Human Rights Act (5 M.R.S.A section 4592, subsection 8) states that it is unlawful for a public accommodation (store, theater, office, etc.) to refuse to permit the use of a service animal at the public accommodation unless it is shown by defense that the service animal poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others or the use of the service animal would result in substantial physical damage to the property of others or would substantially interfere with the reasonable enjoyment of the public accommodation by others.

Animal Welfare Program

The Animal Welfare Program (AWP) is part of the Maine Department of Agriculture and based in Augusta. The program assigns humane agents to the various districts in Maine to investigate complaints of suspected abuse, neglect and cruelty. To report animal abuse, neglect or cruelty, contact:

Maine Animal Welfare Program

28 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0028

Phone: 287-3846 **Toll Free:** 1-877-269-9200 **FAX:** 207-624-5043

Email: animal.welfare@maine.gov

Web site: <http://www.maine.gov/agriculture/aw/index.html>

For emergency after business hours, call the Orono Barracks of the Maine State Police at 207-866-2121. An Animal Welfare agent will be paged.

If you have a complaint about any State of Maine Humane Agent, contact the Department of Agriculture at 207-287-3871.

Animal Welfare Advisory Council

The Animal Welfare Advisory Council was created to advise the Commissioner of Agriculture on matters pertaining to the Animal Welfare Program. The AWAC consists of 12 members who represent a number of different interests (see-bdow). AWAC serves in an advisory capacity only and does not have oversight of the Animal Welfare Program.

For a list of current members, go to the Maine Department of Agriculture website.

6. Law Enforcement/Animal Control

Animal Control

Animal Control Officers are employed by municipalities to enforce municipal animal control duties under Maine Law. To locate your animal control officer, contact your local police department, town clerk, or town office. Animal Control Officers may also handle animal cruelty, neglect or abuse complaints.

If you have a complaint about an Animal Control Officer in his or her performance of duties, contact your local town officials or police department as Animal Control Officers are employed by the local municipality and not the State Animal Welfare Program.

Emergency

For emergency (non-wildlife) animal complaints, contact your local Animal Control Officer or police department or The Animal Welfare Program in Augusta 1-877-269-9200 or 207-287-3846. If you are calling for assistance with an emergency after business hours, call the Orono Barracks of the Maine State Police at 207-866-2121. An Animal Welfare agent will be paged.

Animal Welfare Laws

Maine's Animal Welfare Laws (civil) can be found in Title 7 of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated. Maine's Animal Welfare Laws (criminal) can be found in Title 17 of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated. There are also statutory provisions relating to animals in Title 16,19-A, 22, 29 and 33. A link to applicable Maine law and rules can be found on the Animal Welfare Program's Web site: www.maine.gov/agriculture/aw/downloads.html

The Animal Welfare Law Book is available for a nominal fee from the Animal Welfare Program: 207-287-3846 or 1-877-269-9200.

Rabies Management Guide

The guide offers updated information on Rabies in Maine such as rabies treatment, vaccination issues, and quarantine issues and is intended as an educational tool for rabies control in the community. The Guide is distributed to veterinarians, law enforcement and municipalities.

It is available for download on the following Web site:
<http://www.maine.gov/agriculture/aw/downloads.html>

7. Marine Animals

Marine Animals Advocacy and Emergency

Marine Animal Reporting Hotline

1-800-532-9551

The Maine Marine Animal Reporting Hotline (formerly the Maine State Whale Hotline) is a dedicated toll-free number that receives and directs reports of **whales, seals, dolphins, porpoises, and sea turtles**.

In an effort to streamline public reporting of marine animal sightings, the Maine Department of Marine Resources partnered with several Maine strandings organizations to develop a single state-wide toll-free hotline.

This phone is physically stationed at the Maine Department of Marine Resources in West Boothbay Harbor. Calls received during office hours are answered by a human operator; calls after hours are routed through a phone tree using a script.

Remember that marine animals are protected by federal law. It is illegal for unauthorized persons to handle or harass them. If you spot a marine mammal in distress in Maine call the Marine Animal Reporting Hotline. Do not attempt to remove the animal from the area or return it to the water. Seals temporarily leave the water to rest and mothers will briefly leave their crying pups while feeding at sea. If you find a beached whale or dolphin, do not hesitate, report it **IMMEDIATELY!** Observe the animal from a far distance. Marine mammals can inflict serious injury and transmit diseases. Keep people and dogs away. Note the physical characteristics and condition of the animal such as size and color. Is it weak or active? Are there any wounds or bleeding? Determine the exact location of the animal for accurate directions.

8. Disaster Planning

Emergency, Disaster and Disease Outbreak Planning

Maine

The Maine Emergency Management Agency and Maine Department of Agriculture, Food & Rural Resources have statutory authority to support programs and services dedicated to improving and expanding the “animal” emergency response infrastructure. MEMA provides technical and fiscal support to County Emergency Management Agency Directors in the development of volunteer County Animal Response Teams (CARTs). There are 14 CART teams emerging to provide emergency pet sheltering during an emergency or disaster. These trained volunteers are part of the state’s Incident Command System (emergency response) infrastructure. MEMA has prescribed the required training and credentialing, prepared extensive emergency pet sheltering documents, including county animal response plans, resource directory, and the necessary forms for efficient and effective emergency pet sheltering management. For more information, contact a County Emergency Management Agency Director by visiting www.maine.gov/mema, click Partners located in the right hand corner of the homepage.

The Department of Agriculture has statutory authority for the well being of animals during an emergency, disaster or disease outbreak. Animal health officials maintain emergency response plans for disease outbreaks including Foot and Mouth Disease, Avian Influenza, and others. They play a lead role along with their extensive list of partners, including MEMA, the Departments of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Health & Human Services, Maine Veterinary Medical Association, and the University of Maine System, to ensure there is an effective and swift response system in place.

For more information visit www.maine.gov/agriculture/ahi or call 207.287.3701.

National Non-Governmental Organizations

The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) provides Disaster Animal Response Team training. The Maine Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) and the HSUS have a pending Memorandum of Understanding that provides for coordination and cooperation between MEMA and the HSUS in responding to a disaster, to ensure the safety, rescue, transportation, and care of evacuated, stray, abandoned or rescued animals when local capacity is overwhelmed. For more information, contact Katie Lisnik, Maine State Director, HSUS at klisnik@humanesociety.org

The United Animal Nation (UAN) provides Emergency Animal Rescue Services training and response resources. UAN is developing Memorandums of Understanding with County Emergency Management Agency Directors. For more information, visit www.uan.org.

9. Maine-based Advocacy Groups

Maine-based Animal Advocacy Groups:

Maine Animal Coalition, dedicated to the elimination of animal abuse and exploitation through education and example.

PO Box 6683, Portland, ME 04101

Phone: 773-2215 **Email:** mac@maineanimalcoalition.org

Web site: www.maineanimalcoalition.org

Maine Friends of Animals, dedicated to ending cruelty and promoting the humane treatment of animals in Maine through legislative action, education and advocacy.

190 U.S. Route 1, Falmouth ME 04105

Phone: 781-2187 **FAX:** 781-4646 **Email:** mfoa@maine.rr.com

Web site: http://www.mfoa.net

Wildlife Alliance of Maine, dedicated to advocate on behalf of Maine's wildlife and to promote a conservation ethic that represents non-consumptive wildlife users.

96 Harlow Street, 3rd floor, Suite 1A, Bangor, ME 04401

Phone: 942-WILD **FAX:** 941-WILD **Email:** info@wildlifealliancemaine.org

Web site: www.wildlifealliancemaine.org

The Linkage Project, working to educate the public about the link between violence against animals and violence against humans by raising awareness and training across various disciplines to stop violence against all.

50 Lydia Lane, South Portland, ME 04106

Phone: 874-1175

Web site: www.linkageproject.org

The Institute for Humane Education, a non-profit, educational organization is dedicated to creating a humane world through humane education.

PO Box 260, Surry, ME 04684

Phone/FAX: 667-1025 **Email:** info@humaneeducation.org

Web site: www.humaneeducation.org

9. Maine-based Advocacy Groups

Maine Federation of Humane Societies, representing companion animal welfare organizations, humane societies, animal welfare and rescue leagues, animal shelters, and private breed rescue organizations.

Contact: **Steve Dostie**, President

c/o Androscoggin Humane Society

Phone: 783-2311 **Web site:** www.maine federation of humane societies.org

Voice for Animals, working to eliminate animal suffering and overpopulation, to educate the public, and to promote sensitivity and caring toward all animals.

Caryl McIntire Edwards, Executive Director

Voice For Animals

PO Box 522, York, Maine 03909

Phone: 743-6290 **Email:** monkeyboy@megalink.net

Web site: www.voiceforanimals.net

Friends of Feral Felines, an all volunteer organization committed to helping feral cats in Southern Maine by trapping, neutering, and then releasing cats back into their colony sites.

P.O. Box 8137, 651 Forest Ave, Portland, Maine 04103

Phone: 207-797-3014

Office e-mail: office@feralfelines.net

Web site: www.feralfelines.net

10. National Animal Advocacy Organizations

National Animal Advocacy Organizations

American Humane Association

63 Inverness Drive East, Englewood, CO 80112

Phone: 303-792-9900

Web site: www.americanhumane.org

American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA)

424 E. 92nd St., New York, NY 10128 **Phone:** 212-876-7700

Web site: www.aspc.org

Animals and Society Institute

2512 Carpenter Rd., Suite 201-A2, Ann Arbor, MI 48108-1188

Phone: 734-677-9240 **FAX:** 734-677-9240

Email: info@animalsandsociety.org

Web site: www.animalsandsociety.org

Animal Legal Defense Fund

National Headquarters 170 E. Cotati Ave., Cotati, CA 94931

Phone: 707-795-2533 **FAX:** 707-795-7280

Web site: www.aldf.org

Compassion over Killing

PO Box 9773, Washington, DC 20016

Phone: 301-891-2458 **Email:** info@cok.net

Web site: www.cok.net

FARM (Farm Animal Rights Movement)

10101 Ashburton, Bethesda, MD 20817

Phone: 301-530-1737 **Email:** info@farmusa.org

Web site: <http://www.farmusa.org/>

Farm Sanctuary

PO Box 150 Watkins Glen, NY 14891

Phone: 607-583-2225 **FAX:** 607-583-2041

Email: info@farmsanctuary.org

Web site: www.farmsanctuary.org

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Humane Society Legislative Fund

519 C Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002

Phone: 202-676-2314 **Email:** webinfo@fund.org

Web site: www.hslf.org

The Humane Society of the United States

2100 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037

Phone: 202-452-1100

Web site: www.hsus.org

The Humane Society of the United States, Maine Office

Katie Lisnik, Maine State Director

P.O. Box 10809, Portland, ME 04104

Phone/FAX: 207-775-2224 **Email:** klisnik@hsus.org ??????

Mercy for Animals

3712 N. Broadway, Ste. 560, Chicago, IL 60613

Phone: 1-866-632-6446 **Email:** info@mercyforanimals.org

NAVS, National Anti-Vivisection Society

53 West Jackson Blvd., Suite 1552, Chicago, IL 60604

Phone: 1-800-888-6287, 312-427-6065

NEAVS, New England Anti-Vivisection Society

333 Washington St., Ste. 850, Boston, MA 02108

Phone: 617-523-6020 **FAX:** 617-523-7925

Web site: www.neavs.org

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA)

501 Front Street, Norfolk, VA 23520

Phone: 757-622-7382

Web site: www.peta.org

Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine

5100 Wisconsin Ave., N.W, Ste. 400, Washington, DC 20016

Phone: 202-686-2210 **Email:** pcrm@pcrm.org

Web site: www.pcrm.org

United Poultry Concerns, Inc.

PO Box 150, Machipongo, VA 23405-0150

Phone: 757-678-7875 **FAX:** 757-678-5070

Web site: www.upc-online.org

11. Humane Education and Dissection Information

Humane Education and Dissection Information

Maine's Law on Vivisection (Dissection of Animals) in Schools

Maine's law on vivisection (Dissection of Animals) in Schools can be found in the Maine Statutes at 7 M.R.S.A. § 3971. Use of live animals, except eggs, is governed by the following law:

Use of animals in schools. No live vertebrate, except eggs, may be used in kindergarten and grades one to 12 of any public or private school as part of a scientific experiment or for any other purpose in which the animal is experimentally medicated or drugged in a manner to cause painful reactions or to induce painful or lethal pathological conditions, or in which the animal is injured through any other type of treatment, experiment or procedure, including, but not limited to, anesthetization or electric shock or where the normal health of the animal is interfered with or where pain or distress is caused.

No person may, in the presence of any student in kindergarten and grades one to 12, practice vivisection or exhibit a vivisected animal. Dissection of dead animals or any portions of dead animals in schools shall be confined to the classroom and to the presence of students engaged in the study of dissection and shall not be for the purpose of exhibition.

This subsection shall also apply to any activity associated with or sponsored by the school system.

Maine Students' Rights to Alternatives to Dissection

It is the policy of the Maine Department of Education that school administrative units should recognize that students who show a legitimate conscientious, ethical reason not to do dissection should not be required to do so and be offered an alternative assignment.

On January 30, 1990, then Commissioner of Education, Eve M. Bither, issued Informational Letter #49 to Superintendents of Schools stating the following:

As you are aware, based on recent legislative debate and consideration, the issue of allowing students to refuse to do dissection and providing alternative instructions to dissection has reached a high level of awareness and discussion.

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Therefore, to accommodate students who request not to do dissections, I am issuing the following advisory for local school administrative unit action:

1. That school administrative units should recognize that students who show a legitimate conscientious, ethical reason not to do dissection should not be required to do so and should be offered an alternative assignment to dissection.
2. That school administrative units should establish a local policy which:
 - a) allows students to refuse to do dissection;
 - b) states that alternative assignments to dissection which meet student needs while at the same time preserve the integrity of the biology program will be provided to students on request;
 - c) makes known that students have an alternative to dissection through such means as course description materials, posters or school announcements; and
 - d) establishes a procedure whereby students may request, and the school may review and approve/disapprove, an alternative.

For more information on alternatives to dissection, contact the New England Anti-Vivisection Society (www.neavs.org) or call 617-523-6020.

Humane Education

Many animal shelters offer Humane Education Programs in their community. Please contact your local shelter for information on program available in your area. To learn more about Humane Education contact:

The Institute for Humane Education

PO Box 260, Surry, ME 04684

Phone/FAX: 207-667-1025 **Email:** info@humaneeducation.org

Web site: <http://www.humaneeducation.org>

The National Humane Education Society

PO Box 340, Charles Town, WV 25414-0340

Phone: 1-304-725-0506 **FAX:** 1-304-725-1523

Email: nhesinformation@nhes.org

Web site: <http://www.nhes.org>

12. Vegetarianism

Presently America produces and slaughters (most often inhumanely) 10 billion animals for food each year. Going vegetarian or reducing meat consumption not only reduces animal suffering, but it also helps the environment, increases the world's food supply, and improves the nation's health.

Animal agriculture is a major source of water-quality problems in America's rivers and streams. Worldwide, forests, wetlands and wildlife habitats are being destroyed in order to raise farm animals. In a 2006 study the United Nation's Food and Agriculture Organization calculated that livestock production causes more greenhouse gases than transportation.

Reducing the number of animals raised for food could also reduce world hunger. The majority of corn and soy grown today is used to produce meat. It takes thirteen pounds of grain to produce one pound of beef. It is much more efficient to feed the corn and soy directly to people.

A vegetarian diet is generally seen as healthful by nutritionists. In fact, the American Dietetic Association, comprised of 67,000 food and nutrition experts, states on its web site that "vegetarian meals can easily include all the nutrients you need for good nutrition."

Obtaining enough protein is not a problem for most vegetarians or vegans. Currently Americans eat around 110 grams of protein a day, which is twice the government recommendation. Almost all foods except for alcohol, sugar and fats are good sources of protein. Nutritionists no longer believe that it is necessary to combine different plant foods to get their full protein value. Even when eating an exclusively plant-based diet, vegans consume enough protein as long as they eat a variety of fruits, vegetables and whole grains.

Reducing meat consumption lowers a person's risk for heart disease, cancer, stroke and other chronic diseases. Forsaking meat reduces a person's risk of food poisoning, which sickens seventy-five thousand Americans each year and kills approximately five thousand. (The greatest source of food poisoning is food products of animal origin, particularly chicken.)

For additional information about vegetarianism, compassionate living and book recommendations, go to www.maineanimalcoalition.org. Also consider joining the Maine Vegan Meet-Up Group, a Maine-based vegetarian dine-around at <http://vegan.meetup.com/422/>.