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For Immediate Release:

Register Today for the Martin Luther King Day of Service Emergency Preparedness Workshops

The Philadelphia Managing Director's Office of Emergency Management (MDO-OEM) will offer a free Personal and Family Emergency Preparedness Workshop at 9:15 a.m. and a Pet Emergency Preparedness Workshops at 10:45 a.m. during the 15th Annual Greater Philadelphia Martin Luther King Day of Service on Monday, January 18 at Girard College, Girard Avenue and Corinthian Street. The workshops will be held on the second floor of the Armory at Girard College.

Learn how to stay safe when disaster strikes. These workshops feature presentations by the Philadelphia Office of Emergency Management, Department of Public Health, Fire Department, Police Department and the American Red Cross.

The PA SPCA will partner with the Office of Emergency to conduct the Pet Preparedness Workshop. Participants will learn how to prepare a pet emergency kit and what to do with their pets during emergencies.

“During the workshops you will learn how to shelter-in-place, become familiar with your neighborhood evacuation routes, know what emergency supplies and copies of important documents you should have ready, and find out how to stay informed during an emergency,” said Deputy Managing Director for Emergency Management MaryAnn E. Tierney. “When an emergency strikes, don’t leave your pet behind. Make sure your family emergency plan includes a plan for your pets, also.”

To register, email oem@phila.gov or call 215-683-3250. For information about preparing for emergencies, visit the Philadelphia Office of Emergency Management at www.phila.gov/ready or call 3-1-1.

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