



Greenville County Animal Care

Helping People Help Animals

Date: August 5, 2015

From: Shelly Simmons

To: Ruth Parris

Re: AKC Pet Disaster Relief Grant

Greenville County Animal Care and Greenville County Emergency Management departments were approached by AKC Reunite Giving Programs about contributions and funding available to our organization to purchase and donate an AKC Pet Disaster Relief Unit ("Unit"). The unit is intended to be used by qualified government agencies to provide co-location for pets of people evacuating emergency situations in accordance with the federal PETS Act of 2006. The Unit is a 16 ft. x 7 ft. two-axle trailer with most of the materials necessary to set up an emergency shelter for 50 or more pets. The value of the Unit is approximately \$22,000.

It was determined that Greenville County Animal Care will be the agency to apply for the grant and receive and maintain the Unit. A sponsoring AKC club has already raised the money necessary (\$12,000) for AKC Reunite to match the funds to purchase the Unit. Greenville County is not expected to fundraise, nor will be expected to match any funding received. Greenville County must agree to the following requirements to receive the Unit:

- Provide an emergency shelter for pets displaced due to natural or man-made emergencies or disasters.
- Take full title, responsibility, and liability for the Unit.
- Securely store the Unit and its content.
- Maintain and display the Unit at least two times per year within the community.
- Replenish supplies after any deployment and use.
- Carry necessary insurance for the storage and use of the Unit and equipment.