COUNTY ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAMS (CART)

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Why Do we have CART?

149,000 LIKES, 2700 COMMENTS and 20,997 SHARES

152,000 LIKES, 3600 COMMENTS and 87,459 SHARES
Often times, people care more about animals than they do themselves or others.

https://youtu.be/MPBz_pjNvw4?t=1m19s
https://youtu.be/VV0QzFBBiLY
Albany County CART Members

• Volunteer Advisory Board – Comprised of representatives from Ag & Markets, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Public Health, Veterinarians, and Community Partners

• Approximately 12 Law Enforcement and EMS Personnel

• Volunteers from Mohawk Hudson Humane Society and the Albany County Citizen Corp.
Accepting Members

• Members must complete the following courses prior to applying; ESART Orientation, ICS 700 & 100 and ICS 5-A An Intro to Hazardous Materials.

• Once completed, they send in their certificates along with their application for acceptance.

• Background and interview is done before accepting.
We conduct 4 quarterly Drills, 1 large animal exercise, 1 small animal exercise and 2 classroom trainings.
EQUIPMENT
CART RESPONSES

90% are crime scene calls.

CART response is originated through the Critical Incident and Emergency Management Unit.

Manpower is determined by the scope of the incident and the origin. Law enforcement is different than a disaster induced event.
40 Cats and Dogs were displaced or rescued from this huge apartment fire.

The CART responded and opened a shelter at the local YMCA.

Staff from Albany County Sheriff’s and Mohawk Hudson Humane Society staffed the shelter for three days until the pets could be reunited with their owners.

Lessons Learned – Aggressive animals pose a management problem but also pose a liability to those unfamiliar with the dangers.
Rock Road, Berne N.Y.
Albany County

Tractor Trailer overturned, carrying 205 head of cattle on two levels.

50 cows died; over 25 had to be euthanized.

Lessons learned - Need to have access to a veterinarian willing to respond to a scene, as well as training for law enforcement on how to properly euthanize a large animal if needed.
HUMANE EUTHANASIA
POSITIONING FOR GUNSHOT OR CAPTIVE BOLT

CATTLE

DEER

HORSE

LLAMA
Hannaford Plaza, Voorheesville N.Y.
Albany County

Two homeless ladies were living out of their car and traveled around with the 45 cats in a travel trailer.

The cats were found in varying degrees of health.
Lobdell Mill Road, Westerlo NY
Albany County
Westerlo, N.Y. Cont’d.

12 - Goats  
3 – Geese  
67 – Rabbits  
29 – Ducks  
242 – Total Animals

21 - Pigeons  
35 - Dogs  
8 - Cats  
67 – Chickens