



Howdy, All!

Since my last eNews edition I've completed FEMA's [Basic Academy](#) for Emergency Managers -- it was the first session ever held in Oregon and, nationwide, there are less 500 graduates. What a phenomenal opportunity to learn and collaborate with local emergency managers from across Ore. and Wash. over four months! Following are links to several other recent activities.

**Follow upcoming classes** <http://JoBecker.weebly.com/upcoming-classes.html>



**Latest TV Appearance**

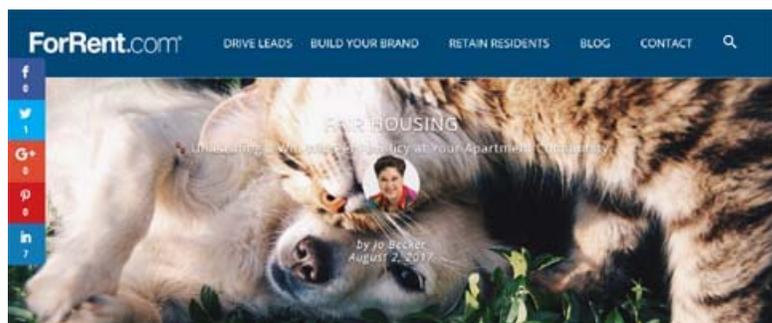
[Watch](#) Lost Pet Prevention Tips on KATU Afternoon Live



**1st Radio Appearance** [Listen](#) to In-Dept Critter Disaster Prep. Tips on KBOO's Voices for the Animals



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## Animals in Apartments

As many of you know (and the logos at bottom imply) my biz of speaking and writing covers a number of topics and a lot of industries. I have an extensive [background](#) in housing and have begun blogging for the apartment industry with a focus on residents' critters.

- [Unleashing a Win-Win Pet Paw-licy](#)
- [Distressed by Disasters: Pet Preparedness Tips and Resources for Your Apartment Community](#)

You can find additional animal-related articles, blogs, and appearances posted on [the Writing & Media Coverage page](#) of my site. In addition, I've been conducting webinars with an international company for the apartment industry, again, focused on residents' critters -- pets, service animals, or assistance animals.

- [ABC's of Animals in Apartments](#)
- [Assistance vs. Service Animals](#)

## Call to Action / Easy Steps: Help Extract Animals from Red Tape!

The federal HEART Act (H.R. 398) will help cut red tape for victims of animal fighting by requiring owners to reimburse the costs of caring for seized animals in federal fighting cases and expedite court processes that allow them to be re-homed and rehabilitated.

**What You Can Do:** [Send a predrafted message to contact your rep. in DC](#) -- takes mere minutes!

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### Livestock Require Extra Disaster Preparedness

If you or someone you know has horses (or other livestock) the following EquiSearch article is a good place to start!

"Arguably, among the most gut-wrenching images from disasters are those involving animals. The ultimate picture of innocence, their peril in the face of disaster has stirred dramatic public outcry for animals to receive the same care and rescue as humans. While things are improving, the fact remains that the best thing for you to do is be prepared... [<keep reading>](#)"

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## Baffled About Where to Start?

PERSONALIZED, 1-ON-1 EMERGENCY PREP. PHONE CONSULTATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

**'Not sure how to get started?**

**'WONDER WHAT TASK TO TACKLE NEXT?**

Get your own questions answered directly, especially as they relate to preparing for your critters, big or small. Ask whatever you like and together you'll brainstorm options, consider the pro's and con's of different solutions, and gather resource information and tips!

**BOOK a 15-minute PHONE CONSULTATION to get started TODAY!**



**Don't Be Scared,  
GET PREPARED!**



Book a 15-minute phone consult for only \$10! [Details](#)

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