

## PRESS RELEASE

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## The Derry Fire Department Receives Pet Rescue Kits as Donation

Sheila Johannesen, a representative of the Merrimack Valley Kennel Club, has donated 2 Surgivet Pet Oxygen Mask Kits to support the Derry Fire Department's efforts to help treat pets and animals in distress.

Sheila has been a member of the Merrimack Valley Kennel Club for six years and has donated over 14 kits to surrounding departments. Sheila's ultimate goal is to eventually outfit every emergency response vehicle in the state with a Surgivet Pet Oxygen Mask kit.

Members of the Derry Fire Department used pet oxygen supplies when they performed CPR and resuscitated one of the cats that had to be rescued from an early morning structure fire on Dustin Avenue. We are extremely grateful to Sheila Johannesen and all members of the Merrimack Valley Kennel Club for this and previous donations that help us fulfill our mission of "Plan, Prevent, and Provide" to all two and four legged residents of Derry.

Money raised through various Kennel Club dog shows and events is used to fund this initiative. Donations can be made to the Merrimack Valley Kennel Club. You can contact Sheila Johannsen for more information at (603) 494-5439 or by email <a href="mailto:sheilaandroy@aol.com">sheilaandroy@aol.com</a>

Attached Photos: Left to Right

FF. Robbins, FF. Ledbetter, Lt. Laro, Fire Chief Mike Gagnon, Sheila Johannesen, FF. Livoli, Lt. Tunberg, FF. Bahan, and Lt. Fisher.

Fire Officer Submitting Release: Battalion Chief James Richardson Date: 03/11/2016

Signature of Fire Officer:

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