

- 1) Routinely incorporate questions about pets into screening/intake
 - Do you have animals?
 - Has your partner ever hurt or **threatened** your animal?

- 2) Safety Planning with Animals
 - Does the survivor have family or friends who can keep, watch, or help care for animals?
 - Document pet ownership (photos, vet records, adoption receipts, microchip)
 - Include animals in protection orders
 - If planning to leave, include pet items in your “go” bag (food, medications, vaccination records, favorite toy, etc.)

Safety planning for Pet Sample Templates*: <http://nationallinkcoalition.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/DV-SafetyPlanningCompilation.pdf>

**Taken from The National Link Coalition webpage, which has numerous other resources to address the intersection of animal and human abuse: <http://nationallinkcoalition.org/resources/articles-research>*