

## →LOST YOUR DOG? The first 24 hours are critical! <</p> CONTACT LARG - We will work with you on these steps.

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- ☑ FLYERS are the #1 best way to get your pet home! Community awareness is key! LARGE photo, the word LOST, & LARGE phone # with DO NOT CHASE!
- ✓ Put up flyers two to three miles in all directions. Place them in plastic page protectors or ziplock bags open-side down to protect from rain. Use tacks/staple gun and fluorescent tape (or print on bright paper). Remember, not everyone uses Facebook! Minimum of 50-100 up within first 24 hours! Sightings are critical!!!
- ☑ Contact number on all online posts! Have a second back up number or email if possible! It's recommended to use a mixture of numeral and spelled-out numbers to reduce scammer texts!
- ✓ File lost reports ASAP! Local animal control and shelter locations, SPCA and Online at 24PetConnect, Petco Love, Pawboost, Pet FBI. Check found pet listings too!
- ✓ **Notify** microchip company if your dog is chipped.
- ☑ Put something with your scent outside where dog was last seen. Hang it so the wind carries your scent. Put out fried chicken (no bones), cooked hot dogs and burgers, lots of liquid smoke if available! Grill food if possible or cook food like bacon; keep windows open to let scent carry. The area should "smell like an irresistible smorgasbord!"
- ✓ Walk your neighborhood, speak to neighbors & hand out flyers. Have neighbors check doorbell & security cameras
- ✓ If no sightings, consider using a pet tracker. A valuable paid service that will determine the travel pattern of your dog if you have no sightings or leads.

Check our website page Valued Resources or missinganimalresponse.com for suggestions.

- ☑ Never call out to a lost dog www.missinganimalresponse.com/dont-call-dog/
- ✓ Post on Facebook and other social media sites to lost and found pet groups, mom's groups pages, hiking, biking, walking clubs, neighborhood/community groups, yard sale sites for your area, etc. As many places on Social Media as you can, as well as on Craigslist.
- ☑ Post to NextDoor & Neighbors by Ring free apps (don't need to own a Ring product to use the Neighbors app)
- ☑ Mount a photo on bright poster board and handwrite LOST, your phone number, & DO NOT CHASE in large print visible from a car. Place at intersections, gas stations AND IN YOUR YARD! You can cover these signs with cellophane from the dollar store to protect from rain. Home Depot and Lowes sell blank signs with stands and you can mount bright poster board to these.
- ☑ Check the shelter \*in person\* every day if possible. It is imperative that you check IN PERSON and find out how long your shelter holds stray animals.
  - → DO NOT dismiss dogs that are posted based on photos alone (or collar, etc.).

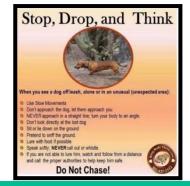
Shelters DO make mistakes on intake, & photos can be VERY deceiving.

- ☑ Check Craigslist (for sale, pets and lost & found sections) and Facebook sites daily! Barter sites etc., in case someone is trying to sell your lost pet.
- ☑ ALERT Realtors in the area, police, fire dept., mail carriers, delivery people, religious organizations, schools, school bus drivers, Uber & Lyft drivers. College Campuses, bulletin boards and online papers, gas stations, businesses in the area.
- ☑ Get glass markers and mark your car up (see below)
- ☑ Map out each sighting on Google Maps to establish travel pattern of lost pet

\*\*\*\*KEEP A PICTURE OF YOUR FLYER ON YOUR PHONE, TO SHARE RIGHT AWAY WITH ANYONE. THEY CAN TAKE A PICTURE OR YOU CAN SEND IT TO THEM\*\*\*\*



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YOUR CAR IS A MOVING BILLBOARD