

THE YELLOW DOG BRAND LIVESTOCK EVACUATION

A WASHINGTON STATE NONPROFIT PROUDLY SERVING THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

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Dear Friends,

I am writing to first thank you for your time and interest in The Yellow Dog Brand Livestock Evacuation and look forward to helping you learn more about what we do, why we do it and how you can become a part of our team!

This organization started as the director, Parker McKinnon, decided that he wanted to make a cattle brand and get it approved with the Department of Agriculture in the state of Washington to hopefully purchase cattle from his grandfather in the spring of 2022. Knowing this process could be time-consuming, Parker started drawing up designs, playing around with names, and submitting all of this in the early summer. Once the brand got approved, he decided he wanted to do more with it and have more meaning behind it. As a firefighter, Parker has heard first-hand experiences from his fellow firefighters of the sad and horrible things that happen to animals during wildfires. One friend came back from a wildfire and told the stories of livestock running around with burns due to the lack of evacuation services available in the area. Parker decided it was time to make a difference for the owners of livestock in the Pacific Northwest and the YDB Livestock Evacuation organization was born.

Our mission is to help families and individuals evacuate their livestock from their properties when wildfires are approaching their homes. Our plan is to be ready to go and help evacuate from the wildfires in 2022. We will strive to save livestock and understand that many people's livelihoods depend on these animals. Our team of volunteers will be trained with safety precautions for the wildfires and for the safety of the animals. We can guarantee that at least one person in each vehicle will be NWCG Red-Card certified. To be successful we are working with fire agencies, law enforcement, and individuals to ensure we evacuate livestock successfully.

Your donations mean the world to us and truly are what keep us going. The impact of your donation will help keep all of our equipment maintained, volunteers fueled, livestock evacuated, and any extra funds will go back into the community and be used for feed and disaster relief for the families.

We are strictly a donation-driven nonprofit organization and depend on supporters like you to make our organization successful and save the livelihoods of livestock owners. We look forward to having you join our team and are open to sharing more about what we do, our goals and answer any questions you may have.

Thank you!

The Directors from The Yellow Dog Brand Livestock Evacuation