

## New Hampshire Animal Shelter Recovering from Flood

### Homes sought for dozens of evacuated cats, dogs.

Salem Animal Rescue League in Salem, N.H., which had been housing dozens of homeless cats and other animals, is trying to become fully operational again after it was devastated by a flood in May.

The shelter, which is in a flood plain, was surrounded by four feet of water that barged into the modular units and ruined flooring and animal-care supplies.

The shelter also suffered hard hits to its veterinary clinic and dog kennel, and dozens of animals had to be evacuated from the shelter during the flood, according to shelter spokeswoman Valorie Hayes.

All the animals made it out safely, and some have been adopted since the flood. Others have been staying at foster homes.

The Rescue League doesn't expect to be fully operational again until at least next week. After that, volunteers will work to fix the damage and replace supplies, Hayes said. The organization especially needs people who can supply flooring and fix broken stairways.

For more information, or to download animal adoption request forms, visit the shelters website, [www.sarl-nh.org](http://www.sarl-nh.org). Posted: June 1, 2006, 5:00 a.m. EST