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I have had the opportunity to work with the Emma Zen Foundation for several years. The foundation is a non-profit charitable organization whose mission is to provide pet oxygen masks for first responder agencies and promote pet first aid training.

For those of us with pets, they are members of our family and an important part of our lives. They are subject to many of the same dangers and emergencies as we are, whether in house fires, traffic collisions, or other injuries. As first responders, our hearts go out to these pets when we see them ill or injured and we would love to be better prepared and equipped to help them. Unfortunately, due to the recent economic downturn, many first responder agencies are unable to afford the specialized equipment to administer oxygen to our furry friends. We improvise with what we have, but the right equipment would be a big help!

The Emma Zen Foundation makes this a simple process. Any fire department or EMS agency can contact them, let them know how many kits they need, and Emma Zen and her friends will send along the kits – no strings attached! Of course, providing those kits and shipping them costs money, so the Foundation is also glad to receive a donation if you would like to help with the costs.

For my fire service colleagues, you can rest assured that the Emma Zen Foundation is a legitimate charitable organization that provides first-rate equipment. There are even training videos available on the website to make implementation simple.

Please support the Emma Zen Foundation in their efforts to provide pet oxygen masks for first responder agencies – it is all part of our mission to serve our communities.

Sincerely

William R. Metcalf, Fire Chief



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