

# WHAT TO DO

## IF YOUR DOG IS LOST



### 1. Post to Social Media

Search social media outlets like Facebook or for missing pet pages and community pages in your area. Also, search new posts on these pages to see if your dog has already been found or sighted.

### 2. Notify local animal control, shelters and veterinarians

Contact to any agencies that may be contacted if found.



### 3. Alert neighbors and friends in the area

Ask them to check their backyards, sheds etc. regularly.

### 4. HANG FLYERS!



Print out and attach to trees, utility poles, etc. at chest height so drivers can see them. Keep track of where you put flyers to help organize volunteers to hang more. Within the first few days, 100-150 flyers should be up in the area lost from or last seen. The area should be flooded with flyers so people will notice them.

Flyers should be as simple as possible. It should say Lost Dog in large letters, include a picture of the dog, location lost from and a contact phone. Put in sheet protectors with the opening on the bottom or a Ziploc bag to protect from the weather.

Please be considerate and take the flyers down once your dog is found.

### 5. Notify the microchip company

Notify the microchip company to be sure your information is up to date so they can contact you immediately if the dog is found.



### 5. At home



Leave gates open and maintain open access to the yard in case the dog returns on its own.

Leave something familiar outside on the porch/deck/garage



Put out a blanket or something that may have their scent outside to help coax them back.



Leave food or treats out to entice their return.

