

MAIN PICTURE:

Robert Fonteaine holds his puppy, Gangster, as he watches flames devour his house on the east side of New Orleans, La., Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2005. Fonteaine's house was a total loss. (A.P.)



September, 2005:

F. The carcass of a dog hangs from a wrought iron fence in the Ninth Ward area of New Orleans. Water has recently receded from this heavily-flooded district leaving behind heavy destruction.



Oct. 9, 2005:

E. Animal rescuer Suzanne Keays, from Cary, N.C, carries a cat down from an attic in New Orleans, La. Animal rescuers continue to collect and care for animals abandoned and suffering in Hurricane Katrina's aftermath. (AP Photo/Don Ryan)



D. September, 2005:

A man and a dog walk through floodwaters in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. About one million people evacuated their homes in the wake of Katrina, according to FEMA estimates. Census estimates put the number of dogs affected at 217, 228 and the number of cats at 247, 191 (AP Photo/David J. Phillip, Pool)



B. October, 2005:

A rescued cat lies in its cage at Muttsack Animal Rescue Foundation shelter in New Orleans, La. The temporary shelter is supported by donations to the foundation and was set up at a Lake Castle School. Animals stranded after Rita and Katrina are brought here and taken care of in the hope that owners will reclaim them soon. Two dozen animal shelters were damaged by Katrina according to the Animal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. (AP Photo/Don Ryan)



A. February, 2006: Tristan Carter believed she was left all alone after Hurricane Katrina struck last August. Her grandfather died, and she lost her house and pets: two dogs, a cat and a rabbit. But in February, Carter was reunited with her cat, *Cupcake*, whom rescue workers found not far from the rubble of Tristan's home - (courtesy: The Washington Post)

