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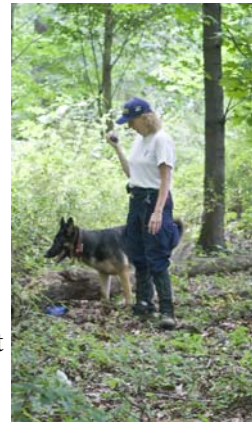
**ALL DONATIONS ARE GREATLY  
APPRECIATED**

While handlers give much of their own time and money, the unit depends on donations from the private sector in order to remain functional as a rapid response resource on a 24 hour, year-round basis.

NJRRK-9 is a tax-exempt, non-profit corporation registered in New Jersey. All contributions to the unit are tax-deductible under section 501(c) (3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

**RECOMMENDED PRE-  
RESPONSE PROCEDURES:**

- Call in search dogs as part of your Initial Response Team. Our teams are trained to respond day or night.
- Gather good maps of the area and have several copies available.
- Gather accurate information on the person:
  - Description
  - Clothing, shoes
  - Habits
  - Health
  - Age
- Preserve the Point Last Seen.
- Set up command post away from the Point Last Seen.
- Establish communications, have radios available.
- Have personnel very familiar with the area as a resource for the search.
- Start to divide the area into search sectors; use natural boundaries, roads, streams, etc.
- Make sure the dispatcher has good directions for the responders.



**A SEARCH & RESCUE  
RESOURCE FOR MISSING  
PERSON RESPONSE**

**SERVING THE NORTHEAST**

**Response Areas:**

**New Jersey, Eastern Pa. and New York**

**24 HOUR DISPATCH**

**732-742-4050**

**908-537-7091**

**609-220-8756**

## HOW NJRRK9 SEARCH DOG TEAMS WORK

Our K-9 teams function as an integral part of the total emergency response team. We work closely with police, rescue, forestry/ park service and fire personnel.

Our Air Scenting Search Dogs work the wind with raised head seeking to locate generic human scent. The dog will range out in front of the handler, off lead, as the team moves systematically through their assigned search area.

Our dog/handler teams are not limited by darkness, weather or terrain.

Air Scent Dogs can start from anywhere in a search area even if the area has already been searched by grid teams or neighbors.

Our Cadaver Dogs are trained to detect human scent sources under a variety of conditions. The dog will independently search an area, off lead, as directed by the handler. The handler provides sufficient “room” for the K-9 to work freely and does not enter the search area until the K-9 offers a trained indication. The trained indication is either a bark or a passive indication, such as, a sit or down.



A well trained air-scenting search dog can play a key role in a variety of search and rescue efforts.

Our dog/handler teams undergo continuous and rigorous training in order to be certified to “mission ready” status.

All Unit handlers carry certifications in Standard First Aid and CPR. HRD handlers have additional training in crime scene preservation, biohazard management and blood borne pathogens.



### NJRRK9's respond to:

#### WILDERNESS/AREA SEARCHES

Missing children and adults, lost hunters/hikers, Alzheimer patients.

#### LAND CADAVER

Assist law enforcement officers in locating homicide victims; above ground or buried. Cadaver dogs may also used in disaster recovery.

#### WATER CADAVER

Drownings—rivers, lakes, streams, creeks.

#### DISASTER/USAR

Victims trapped in collapsed structures, airplane crashes, floods, tornadoes and hurricanes.

**ALL NJRRK9 HANDLERS SERVE ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS. THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR OUR SERVICES.**



#### AFFILIATIONS/MEMBERSHIPS

**The Search and Rescue Council of NJ**

**The Search and Rescue Council of PA**

**NJ-TF1**

***New Jersey Urban Search & Rescue Team***