## CAPTURE THE BAT!



- NEVER TOUCH A BAT
- BATS CAN HAVE RABIES
- IF YOU FIND ONE IN YOUR HOME, DON'T RELEASE IT, <u>CAPTURE IT!</u>

## Did you know...

- Rabies is a deadly disease transmitted through the bite or saliva
  of an infected animal. Avoid contact with any stray or wild animal
  (including dogs, cats, bats, raccoons, skunks, fox, etc.).
- Not all bats have rabies but most human cases of rabies in the US are caused by bats.

## Rabies is a fatal, but preventable disease

• All animal bites and bat related incidents MUST be reported. If you find a bat in your home, <u>CAPTURE IT</u>, then call the Cattaraugus County Health Department at 716-373-8050 for advice as to whether it needs to be tested for rabies.

For more information, visit: <a href="www.cdc.gov/rabies/bats">www.cdc.gov/rabies/bats</a> or <a href="www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/zoonoses/rabies">www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/zoonoses/rabies</a>