

## **ALL ABOUT FOSTERING**

What's so great about fostering a dog? Easy - the fantastic dog love you get for your effort. But that's not all! Here are six more reasons why every person on the planet should think about fostering a dog. Are all your family members in favor of adopting a rescue dog?

1. Fostering gives a dog a second chance at life.
2. Fostering a dog costs next to nothing. Just food and exercise
3. Fostering a dog is rewarding and fun
4. Fostering can be done anywhere - in a city or suburb, a house or apartment.
5. Fostering a dog can take place whenever you are ready.
6. Fostering is Love, Compassion, Dedication and a wonderful experience.

## **WHAT IS INVOLVED IN FOSTERING?**

- The length of the fostering experience depends on the type of dog. Breed, age, etc. Many from one week to a month but most dogs get adopted quickly.
- The great thing about fostering is, you can ask for a dog who fits your lifestyle. A big dog, medium dog or a small dog. An active dog or a senior dog or a bonded pair or a special needs dog.
- If you are an active family, you can ask for a dog who needs lots of walks and plenty of exercise. If someone in your family is comfortable working with dogs, you can help a dog with some basic obedience or teach him some tricks that would be wonderful.

- In most cases, it's fine if you already have a dog, as long as your dog and the foster dog are both healthy and well behaved around other dogs. Cats you need to be careful because we don't know how they get along.

## **FOSTERING PROS AND CONS**

- The dogs you will foster probably will not be perfect. Some may need to be housetrained. Some dogs may be un-schooled in other ways. For example, they may be rambunctious or shy, they may be inclined to jump up on people or on furniture. To some degree, these things will depend on the dog's age and breed, but problem behaviors may be what landed them in the shelter in the first place. Fostering will require some patience, love and TLC. We have a great dog trainer who can advise and help.
- But these issues are far outweighed by the benefits and rewards of fostering. The addition of a dog brings immeasurable richness and joy to the household. Foster dogs will repay you for your patience and love by giving back ten times more love of their own. And when the dog goes off to a loving new home for life, your heart will swell with joy. What could possibly be more gratifying than to save a life and create a "happy ever after" ending?
- What happens if I fall in love with my foster dog and want to adopt? If you foster and want to adopt let us know and we can certainly make that happen. All our dogs are checked out by a vet and they are spay/neutered, DA2PP shots, Rabies, Bordetella, Dewormed, Heartworm tested, Grooming, Microchip, Boarding Fees, Health Certificate and Transport Cost.
- If you decide to foster you need to promise that commitment. Some fosters take a dog and after a week they return the dog and we do not like bouncing a new dog around that has never had a loving home so make sure you are capable and committed to foster. Some fosters have fostered over 100 dogs and some foster only once! We do not

believe any dog should be left alone for longer than 4 hours. Doggy Daycare or someone who is home a lot. These dogs love attention and perhaps another dog to play with!!

- Be careful you do NOT lose your foster dog. Make sure the collar and harness fits properly and it is a good idea to have a fenced in yard and be sure it is secure and make sure they cannot escape.
- We have been in rescue for over 15 years saving 18.000 death row dogs and we have an excellent rescue group very dedicated. Join us and you will enjoy our mission We get dogs from all over the world, Korea Slaughter Farms, Taiwan, Mexico, China, Iran and all over USA and we currently have over 150 dogs
- When we are able to we have adoption events on the weekends at various places from Renton to Seattle from 11 am to 4 pm so people can come and meet all the dogs and find their forever homes!
- Check out our Website [www.gingerspetrescue.org](http://www.gingerspetrescue.org) and we would LOVE to meet you!

## **VERY IMPORTANT FOSTER RULES!!!**

### **Please Initial, Sign and Date**

\_\_\_\_\_ If you foster and lose a dog you will be responsible for the adoption fee.

\_\_\_\_\_ If we have to hire a dog tracker you will be responsible to pay for all cost

\_\_\_\_\_ If the dog is injured under your care, you will be responsible for the vet bill.

\_\_\_\_\_ To foster for us you must be willing to bring foster dog to weekend adoption events so they can find their forever home. If you cannot come please arrange with a friend or family member for drop off and pick up.

**\*\*\*Please be careful and make sure the dog's collar is not too loose  
and you always have a good hold of the leash!!!**

Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_