

THE MAGGIE SOCIETY
Foster Application
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Thank you for your interest in becoming a foster home for The Maggie Society. When you foster a dog, all veterinary care is provided and other supplies may be provided, including food upon request.

Foster homes can provide much-needed care for the very young, sick, or injured, socialization for the shy or fear-aggressive and basic training for dogs that need it. You provide a safe, secure and loving home for the dog until its permanent family comes along. We ask that the foster home help meet the needs of each dog individually. For example, teaching the dog good manners, housebreaking, taking to necessary veterinary visits and adopt-a-thons, etc... And perhaps most importantly, foster homes can provide invaluable information about a foster dog's temperament and training, making it easier to match the dog with an appropriate adoptive home.

Please email or call with any questions or comments as you are filling out your application.

ABOUT YOU AND YOUR HOUSEHOLD

Your name:

Your address:

Phone numbers:

Email address:

Your age:

Occupation:

How many adults are in the household or visit regularly?

How many children are in the household or visit regularly? And what are their ages?

How would you describe your household activity level? High / Medium / Low

Does anyone in your family have an allergy to dogs?

Does anyone in the home have medical conditions or physical limitations that might cause difficulty in living with or caring for a pet? If yes, please explain.

Household setting: rural suburban urban

Dwelling type: house apartment townhouse other

Do you rent/lease own

If you rent or lease, you will need to provide written notice from your landlord that you have permission to have a dog. Please submit with this application.

Landlord's name:

Phone number:

Do you have a completely fenced-in yard?

Height of fence:

Type of fencing:

Are there any holes or gaps where a dog might work his way through?

Are there any structures that would allow a dog to climb out of this area?

Is there a doggie door from the house to the yard?

Have you ever applied to volunteer or volunteered for another rescue or shelter?

ABOUT YOUR CURRENT AND PREVIOUS PETS

What kind of pets do you have currently? (Include age, sex, breed)

Have they been spayed and/or neutered?

Are they current on vaccinations?

How will your other pets adjust to a new dog entering the household?

Who is your veterinarian? Please notify your vet that we will be in contact.

Name:

Phone number:

City/State:

If you do not currently have a vet you must provide at least 2 non-family personal references. Include name, phone, and relationship.

What kind of pets have you had in the past?

What happened to the pets you no longer have?

Have you ever trained dogs? If yes, what commands were taught?

What methods of correcting mistakes were used?

Have you ever turned a pet into a shelter? If yes, please explain.

Have you ever had a pet euthanized? If yes, please explain.

YOUR NEW FOSTER DOG

Why do you want to foster a dog?

What breed dog do you prefer to foster? Keep in mind that most rescued dogs are not full-blooded.

Would you be willing to foster another breed?

What size of dog do you prefer?

Which sex do you prefer?

What age range(s) would you be willing to foster?

- Puppy (less than 6 months)
- 1 - 3 years
- Over 10 years
- 6 months - 1 year
- 4 - 10 years
- Doesn't matter

Would you consider a foster dog with special needs or physical restrictions?

Will you bring your foster dog for needed veterinary care and check ups?

Where will the dog spend nights?

Where will the dog spend days?

Do you intend to keep the dog primarily indoors, living as part of your family or as an outside dog?

Who will have the primary responsibility for the daily care and well being of your foster dog? (Feeding, grooming, medical)

Are you willing and able to exercise the dog on a regular basis?

Method(s):

If your new foster dog/puppy is not housebroken, what method will you use?

How many hours a day will the dog go between potty breaks?

Are you familiar with crate training?

If no, are you willing to learn about crate training and consider the use of a crate as a housebreaking and transitional aid?

What books or other materials have you read concerning dog training or dog behavior?

Will there be times when the dog will be unattended in the yard? If yes, explain.

Are there ever times when the dog would be tied up? If yes, explain.

Will the dog spend any time in the garage? If yes, explain.

Would you ever allow the dog to ride in the back of a pickup truck? If yes, explain.

When you go away for a few days or on vacation, who will take care of the dog?

Would you be willing to have a rescue representative visit you in your home?

Would you be willing to take a foster dog that is in an emergency situation? (ie: needs an overnight during a transport, dog came back to us and we don't have a foster home available immediately, etc)

Would you take a recovering foster dog whose injuries or illnesses require that he or she receive more attentive and personalized care than the shelter can provide?

Would you take a foster dog with mild behavioral issues, such as unsociability, barrier frustration, shyness, or excitability, who require behavior modification?

Would you take a recovering mother and unweaned puppies?

Do you have any special skills that would help in the rehabilitation of your foster dog? (i.e. basic training knowledge, bottle feeding of puppies, socialization of ferals) If yes, please explain.

Do you agree to keep your foster dog on a leash or enclosed in a fenced-in yard or home at all times?

Do you understand that The Maggie Society has the authority in regards to the dog's adoption, care and welfare?

I understand that if circumstances prevent me from keeping the dog, I will immediately return the dog to the care of The Maggie Society.:

- I agree I do not agree

Please add any additional information you feel would be helpful and THANK YOU!