



Emergency Foster Application

This foster application is for those willing to commit to housing a pet for a minimum of four weeks if an emergency causes interruptions to operations which put us above capacity. Please understand that we may only be contacting you if our organization is in emergency.

Today's Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell: _____ Secondary: _____

E-Mail: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Emergency contact: _____ Phone: _____

Would you be willing to take a pet home within 24 hours? Yes No

If no, when will you be available to start fostering? _____ Are there any upcoming dates when you can't foster? _____

Human Household Members	Age	How will they be involved in care?

Animal Household Members	Age	Breed	Sex	Date of Rabies Vaccination

In order to be approved to foster for GIHS, all animals in your home must be current on vaccines, including Bordetella, and spayed/neutered.

Please describe your residence (apartment, condo, house, etc.):

If needed, do you have approval to have a foster pet in your home? Yes No Not applicable

Do you have a secure and private fenced yard (a fence through which a dog cannot see, that is at least 6 feet high, and is not a communal yard?) NOTE: A private fenced yard is not necessary for fostering, but it is helpful for us in making placement decisions. Yes No

If you do not have a fenced yard, are you willing to take your foster on regular walks to relieve themselves? Yes No

Describe your lifestyle. What is an ideal weekend to you?

Describe where you will be keeping your foster animal(s), including how you will separate them from your own animals, if applicable:

Approximately how long, on an average day, will foster animal(s) be left alone in the home (without people to monitor eating, behavior and elimination)? NOTE: It's ok to leave your foster pet alone, but your answer is helpful for us in making placement decisions

Previous experience with animals and/or foster care:

My household is able to foster (please check all that apply):

Cats and Kittens		Dogs and Puppies	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nursing mother cat and litter	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nursing mother dog and litter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kittens: 0-4 weeks of age (Bottle Baby)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Puppies: 0-4 weeks of age (Bottle Baby)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Older kittens: 4-12 weeks of age	<input type="checkbox"/>	Older puppies: 4-12 weeks of age
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kitten: 3-11 months of age	<input type="checkbox"/>	Puppy: 3-11 months of age
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult cat	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adult dog
<input type="checkbox"/>	Recovering from injury or surgery	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recovering from injury or surgery
<input type="checkbox"/>	Special medical needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special medical needs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Special behavioral needs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special behavioral needs

Are there any behaviors you consider unacceptable? How will you handle those?

Is there anything else you would like to share about yourself or your experience?

FOSTER PARENT AGREEMENT

The purpose of the foster care program is to expand the quality of care given to the animals that are sheltered at GIHS. The service you are providing by being a foster volunteer will be rewarding to you, and most importantly, for the pet. We at GIHS thank you for your time and effort. It is important that you agree and follow the guidelines below. Failure to do so could result in your removal from the foster care program.

I agree to hold GIHS harmless from any direct or consequential damages arising out of this foster care agreement and to abide by the following conditions:

1. The GIHS retains all rights and ownership of any animal in the Foster Care Program. The GIHS has the right to recall any fostered animal to the shelter at any time.
2. The GIHS makes all decisions regarding animals to be placed in foster.
3. Foster Volunteer is at least 18 years of age or older. If living at home with parent or guardian, must have written consent from parent or guardian.
6. Foster Volunteer agrees to provide food, water, shelter, and TLC to the foster animal and to follow all medical instructions.
7. Foster animals must be returned to the GIHS as soon as they are well, old enough for adoption or upon request By the GIHS.
8. Only authorized foster volunteers may care for foster animals. Foster animals must not be left under anyone else's care without authorization from the GIHS.
9. The GIHS is not liable for any injury, illness or damage to persons or property, including owned animals, while an animal is in the foster home. Foster volunteer understands that many viruses have an incubation period of 7-14 days, and further understands that such viruses may be contagious and may infect resident pets. Foster volunteer accepts that risk and the responsibility of treatment of resident pets if necessary, at own veterinarian and at own expense.
10. The GIHS may visit a foster home at any time providing that the foster volunteer is given prior notice. Prior notice is not required for the repossession of an animal when a foster volunteer fails to bring the animal back to the GIHS as requested.
11. Any and all adoptions of foster animals will be made through GIHS and are subject to the same guidelines as any other adoption.
12. Any outside inquiries on foster animals are to be directed to GIHS.
13. Foster Cats/Kittens must be kept indoors at all times.
14. All of the Foster Parents current pets are to be current on all of their required vaccinations.
15. Animals are matched to foster volunteers by the GIHS based on volunteer's experience, ability, and priority needs of animals.
16. GIHS will inform you of the estimate length of foster care term, but the time frame is subject to change based on the individual animal's needs.
17. Foster Volunteer agrees to return foster to GIHS for follow ups and appointments, generally every 2-3 weeks if a puppy or a kitten. Foster must be spayed or neutered at a GIHS veterinarian clinic before return to shelter for adoption. GIHS Foster Coordinator or Representative will set up appointment for spay or neuter of foster.
17. Fostered dogs must be kept indoor with outside access.
18. Foster animal with contagious disease must be kept way from other animals. Foster Volunteer must have the facilities (use of separate room) to isolate foster animal with contagious diseases.
19. Foster volunteers must contact the GIHS for all foster care needs and questions.

I have read and understand this agreement and conditions to the above terms for the GIHS Foster Care Program.

Volunteer Name (Print)

Signature of Volunteer

Date

Staff Initials _____

