

CLACKAMAS COUNTY DOG CONTROL FOSTER PET PROGRAM

Clackamas County Dog Control annually receives for shelter more than 2,000 dogs. We have a very active adoption program, work closely with various breed rescue and various local shelter and Humane Societies, space limitations do not always allow us to care for all adoptable dogs and cats as long as might be necessary to find them good homes.

The Foster Program was established to help us address this need. Selected adoptable dogs and cats are placed with qualified individuals -- often animal rescue organizations -- who agree to provide both home and care to the animals, providing love and continued socialization and assistance in locating a permanent adoptive home for animal.

APPLICANT QUALIFICATION/PROCEDURES

- Applicants must themselves be in compliance with State and County dog control laws. They must have current licenses for any dogs they own.
- Applicants must complete the information requested on Clackamas County Dog Control's standard Adoption Agreement form. Once the Adoption Agreement form is completed and submitted to Dog Control Staff, the applicant will be interviewed by shelter staff to ensure the applicant has the requisite knowledge and skills to properly care for fostered animals.
- A premise inspection shall be required for all new Foster Applicants. This inspection is to ensure that the animal will have adequate, enclosed areas in which to live and exercise. Although Clackamas County Dog Control will foster only apparently healthy animals, the manner in which animals are initially received by us necessarily involves a risk that they may develop contagious diseases. An isolation area is strongly suggested, at least initially.
- If the applicant is a renter, written consent for fostering must be obtained from the landlord, a copy of which must be provided to Clackamas County Dog Control.
- The applicant must complete and sign a Foster Pet Agreement.
- Applicants must agree: (1) it is the sole judgment of Clackamas County Dog Control if the animal to be placed will be spayed/neutered prior to placement; (2) the applicant shall have a licensed veterinarian inoculate any adults (6 months or older) dog against rabies; and (3) provide any other necessary and appropriate vaccinations and/or medical care. Due to serious budget constraints we are unable to reimburse foster parents for costs of veterinary services or any other costs related to the keeping of foster animals. Applicants must agree to absorb these costs themselves. Applicant agrees to provide us with copies of all documents from veterinarian visits, including inoculations, exams, etc.

- Should a foster family locate a suitable adoptive family, the prospective adoptive family must submit to Dog Control a completed Adoption Application and Agreement form. Prospective adoptive families must meet all adoption criteria of Clackamas County Dog Control.
- Foster families agree to not deliver fostered animals to any other person, unless so directed by Clackamas County Dog Control Staff. If Foster families are no longer able to care for an animal, they must return the animal to Clackamas County Dog Control.
- Approval of Foster applicants and selection of appropriate animals for fostering, is exclusively within the discretion of Clackamas County Dog Control Staff.
- Foster applicants agree to hold Clackamas County, Clackamas County Dog Control, its employees, officers and elected officials harmless for any damage, injury or harm resulting, directly or indirectly from the fostering of any animal.

AGREEMENT

I agree to the above conditions and wish to accept fostered animals

Applicant Signature

Date

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