

DOUGLAS COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

FOSTER APPLICATION

Complete and send back to: rescue@co.douglas.ga.us

- You must be experienced in basic care and handling of the type of animal you intend to foster.
- You must be 21+ and own your home.
- All current resident pet(s) must have up-to-date vaccinations and be up-to-date on heartworm and flea prevention. They must also have a current Heartworm Test (dog) or Combo Test (cat) NEGATIVE result as well as a NEGATIVE result fecal sample.
- All foster homes will have a house check by the Foster Program Coordinator before starting. The home must be in Douglas County.
- You may be asked to attend the shelter's adoption events on the weekends to help promote and show off the animal to the public. It is up to you to attend as many as possible.

Name _____ DOB _____ DL# _____ Exp _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____ Email _____
Employer _____ Work Phone _____

Do you own your residence? _____

If no, Landlord or Property Manager's Name _____ Phone _____

How many people in household and ages?

Adults: _____ Children: _____

Type of companion animal you are seeking to foster: Check all that apply.

- Bottle fed kitten
- Bottle fed puppy
- Pregnant dog
- Pregnant cat
- Nursing dog
- Nursing cat
- Cat or kitten requiring socialization
- Dog or puppy requiring socialization
- Dog or puppy recovering from surgery or illness
- Cat or kitten recovering from surgery or illness
- Elderly cat requiring long term care
- Elderly dog requiring long term care
- Terminally ill cat that is currently content
- Terminally ill dog that is currently content

- Healthy adult cat
- Healthy adult dog

Briefly describe any relevant experience you have had with the animals you have checked above.

Are you interested in fostering small, medium or large breed dogs? _____

Is there a particular animal that you are interested in fostering? _____

When are you available to start fostering (exact date)? _____

How long are you able to foster? _____

Have you fostered for another organization before? _____

If yes, what organization? _____

When did you foster? _____

Why did you stop? _____

Why are you interested in fostering? Check all that apply.

- To enable the shelter to save more lives
- For breeding
- For protection
- To replace a previous pet
- To adopt in the future
- To help a dog in need
- For a child
- Companion for other pet
- Other

Please specify other _____

How long have you been considering fostering an animal? _____

Is this your first pet?

- Yes
- No

If no, please list previous pets, duration you owned/fostered the pet and when he/she was deceased.

Also, please list the details of the animals' death if applicable: _____

Do you currently own pet(s)?

If yes, please list current pets (name, species, breed & age) and how long you have owned/fostered them:

Are you willing and have the ability to travel to veterinarians who work with the Douglas County Animal Shelter foster animals should your foster animal need medical care?

- Yes
- No

Sometimes animals do not adjust to their new environments well. Are you prepared to spend several days, perhaps even weeks, helping your new foster pet adjust to a new environment?

- Yes
- No

Please provide your Veterinarian's Information for past or current pets: REQUIRED

Name of Veterinary Clinic: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Name Animals are filed under _____

What annual vaccines does your current pet or will your future pet receive and how often?

Will your newly intended foster pet be an indoor or outdoor pet? _____

What is the longest duration you will leave your foster pet outdoors while unattended? _____

Does your residence have any of the following (check all that apply):

- Yard
- Fence
- Dog Run
- Dog Door

Please specify type and height of fence: _____

Where will your foster pet be kept during the day?

- Free Roam
- Crate
- Outdoors

Where will your foster pet be kept at night?

- Free Roam
- Crate
- Outdoors

How many hours a day do you spend at home? _____

Please indicate the work schedules of all adults in the household.

Who will be the primary caregiver for the foster animal? _____

Does anyone in the home have any known animal allergies? Please specify

How did you hear about Douglas County Animal Shelter?

Have you ever surrendered an animal to a shelter before? _____ If yes, why? _____

Animals are not perfect. Occasionally, situations arise that were not planned for. Please explain, in detail, how you would handle each of the following situations. Applications will not be considered complete if these answers are not given. Consider that all of the following behaviors could occur while you are home, but also when you are not. "Training" is what would need to be done, but please let us know what specific techniques you would use to train.

Jumping on furniture/counter tops/tables: _____

Scratching/Biting/Ripping furniture: _____

Chewing on plants/garbage/other: _____

Barking: _____

Play Biting: _____

How will you correct your pet if he/she does the following :

Urinates/Defecates inside the house: _____

Keeps you awake at night: _____

Sheds excessively: _____

Ruins an expensive article : _____

Please provide three references (not related to you), your relationship and their phone number:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

FOSTER HOME AGREEMENT

Foster home should be experienced in the basic care and handling of the type of animal to be fostered.

Foster home should be qualified to have adequate resources and experience to provide for the medical and care requirements of the animal.

Foster home should have space to separate/confine foster animals from other animals in the home.

Foster home will contact Douglas County Animal Shelter Supervisor before taking a foster animal to a veterinarian.

Foster homes will keep detailed records of any medical treatments and care given to the foster animal.

All foster home current resident pet(s) must have up-to-date vaccinations and be up-to-date on heartworm and flea prevention.

If the foster home resident pet(s) contracts a disease or is injured by a foster animal, Douglas County Animal Shelter will not be liable for any expenses associated with the foster home's pet(s).

If the foster animal becomes lost or runs away, the foster home must immediately contact Douglas County Animal Shelter and the local animal control agency.

Douglas County Animal Shelter has the right to inspect the foster home or to request the return of any foster animal(s) at any time.

Foster animals will be assigned to foster homes at the discretion of the Douglas County Animal Shelter's staff (Foster Program coordinator).

The foster home will sign the Douglas County Animal Shelter Home Foster Agreement before taking any foster animal from the shelter.

This application and all paperwork regarding fostering Douglas County Animal Shelter animals is the sole property of Douglas County Animal Shelter.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Vanessa K. Francikowski , Foster Program Coordinator

Date

This application has been reviewed and _____.	
_____ Vanessa K. Francikowski , Foster Program Coordinator	_____ Date