

FOSTER HOME APPLICATION

Foster Parent _____ Address/City/State/Zip _____

Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Other Phone _____

Email Address _____ Best way to reach you? Phone ___ Email ___ Text ___

How many adults in the home? _____ How many children in the home? _____ Ages? _____

****Children should always be supervised with pets entering the home.***

*Remember most of the animals being housed at the West Memphis Animal Shelter were brought in as strays with no knowledge of previous health/behavioral issues and many of our animals are great, however; we occasionally have animals that leave the shelter setting and may show some health/behavioral problems that probably led to their entering the shelter in the first place.

We need to know as soon as possible if you see or the animal exhibits any behaviors that may delay their finding a new life long home. We do have trainers that can work with some minor issues. We also may have to have the animal assessed by a veterinarian to issue medications that may calm an animal with high anxiety or separation anxiety.

What interests you in fostering? _____

How did you hear about us? _____

Are you 21 years of age or older? YES ___ NO ___ if no, what age are you? _____

Do you own a dog in which you can transport dog or cats? YES ___ NO ___

Please describe you experience with dogs or cats and what educational experience (if any) you have had with them. Be specific (i.e. training classes, books, volunteering, animal ownership, etc.)*

Where do you live? House ___ Apartment ___ Condo ___ Mobile Home ___ Other _____

Do you own or rent? Own ___ Rent ___ if you rent, please list your landlord name and phone number so that we can call and obtain if it is okay for you to have pets in your home. *This will be verified*

Landlord's Name _____ Phone _____

Are there children under the age of 18 living with you? YES ___ NO ___ if yes, ages? _____

If yes, please describe their exposure to dogs/cats? _____

Do you have grandchildren that visit your home frequently? YES ___ NO ___ if yes, ages? _____

If yes, please describe their exposure to dogs/cats? _____

Are all the residents of your home aware of this decision to foster dogs or cats? YES ___ NO ___

If anyone in your residence allergic to dogs or cats? YES ___ NO ___ if yes, who? _____

Who will be responsible for the daily care of the foster animal, including feeding and exercise?

List all forms of exercise the animal will receive while in your care.

What is the activity level of your household? Quiet ___ Active ___ Very Active ___ Other _____

Do you have a completely fenced in yard to keep the dog from escaping? YES ___ NO ___ if no, explain?

What type of fence? _____ what is the height of fence? _____ If you do not have a fence, how will you confine the dog to your property? _____

Which would you prefer to foster? (Check ALL that apply)

- unweaned puppy litter without a mother
- unweaned kitten litter without a mother
- young unweaned puppy litter with a mother
- young unweaned kitten litter with a mother
- weaned puppies at risk of exposure in shelter environment
- weaned kittens at risk of exposure in shelter environment
- young dog adult dog senior dog
- young cat adult cat senior cat
- unsocialized dog/cat (lots of TLC needed) hospice (provide end-of-life care; additional support available)
- sick/injured animals special needs animals (blind, handicapped, etc.) heartworm treatments

Have you given medication to animals before? YES ___ NO ___ Do you need to be shown how? YES ___ NO ___

- other small pets; ferret hamster gerbil guinea pig iguana lizards frogs turtles birds
- rabbits small farm animals large farm animals

How long are you willing to foster an animal?

- weekend/short term (2 wk/less) long term until adopted other _____

If you selected other, please describe any limitations? _____

Where will the animal be kept during the day? _____

How many hours each day will the animal be without human companionship? _____

Where will the animal be kept during the night? _____

Do you use a crate? YES ___ NO ___ if yes, what is the length of time the animal will be left alone in the crate? _____

If no, are you willing to crate train? YES ___ NO ___ if yes, we can provide a crate if needed while fostering.

Please describe how you would correct a foster animal for destructive or inappropriate behavior such as chewing, digging, jumping, scratching, litter box training, etc.? _____

Why are you interested in fostering a dog or cat? (check all that apply)

- companion for me companion for children companion for other pet(s) desire to help animals in need
- to determine if children/family are ready for a forever pet other _____

What supplies will you need from us for you foster animal? (check all that apply)

food indoor crate collar leash litter litter box food dishes other _____

Do you have any travel plans or foresee any changes in your schedule (starting school, moving, changing jobs, etc.) in the near future that may impact your ability to care for your foster animal? YES___ NO___

If yes, please elaborate? _____

Do you have the ability to keep your foster separate from your pet(s) if necessary? _____

Do you have questions regarding fostering or general animal care? _____

Do you currently own or live with pets? YES___ NO___ if yes, please list them here, including their names, species, sex, age, spay/neuter status, and any behavioral issues. If they are owned by roommates or other family members, indicate that as well.

Pet's Name	Breed	Sex	Age	Spayed / Neutered	Behavioral Issues	Owned by
				YES NO		
				YES NO		
				YES NO		
				YES NO		
				YES NO		
				YES NO		

Is your animal(s) DOMINANT or SUBMISSIVE _____

Have your pets been introduced to other animals? YES___ NO___ if yes, how did they react? _____

Do you pets receive ANNUAL veterinary care? YES___ NO___ UNSURE___

Are your pets current on vaccinations? YES___ NO___ UNSURE___

Are your dog's current on heartworm prevention? YES___ NO___ Type of prevention? _____

Are your cats current on Feline Leukemia vaccinations? YES___ NO___

Please list your veterinarian and his/her contact information. _____

***veterinarians will be called to verify your pets are up to date on vaccines/tests.**

Please initial that we have your permission to contact your veterinarian and you hereby release your pet's medical history both present and past. YES___ NO___ Applicant's initials _____ date _____

Release & Indemnification/No Liability Clause

Adopter hereby releases The City of West Memphis & the WMAS from any and all liability for personal injury, property damage, legal fees, veterinary care, or any other expense or liability incurred by ADOPTER as a result of this adoption. Adopter agrees to indemnify the WMAS from any and all such claims and to pay, without limitation, any costs related to such injury, damage, or liability, including, in the case of litigations, any attorney's fees incurred by the WMAS in its defense.

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Breach of Agreement/Liquidated Damages Clause

In the event that you do not comply with the terms of this agreement, or the animal is abused or neglected, we hold the right to recover the animal from you upon demand, and the animal will be surrendered to us immediately. In addition, without waiving any of our rights under this agreement, if you do not surrender the animal to us, you will owe us a payment in the amount of \$1,200.00 (per animal) agreed between us as just and reasonable liquidated damages to compensate us for our costs and expenses in connection with your breach of this agreement and we reserve our rights to reacquire the said animal.

By signing below, I acknowledge that the information on this application is correct to the best of my knowledge. If at any time the information I have provided changes, I will provide the updated information to West Memphis Animal Shelter.

By signing, you indicate your acceptance of these terms. This indicates your agreement to be bound by these terms.

Signature _____ Date _____