

Good Shepherd Humane Society

Foster Parent Application

Personal Data

Name _____
 Address _____
 City, State, Zip _____
 Phone: Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____
 Are you over the age of 18: YES _____ NO _____

Household Data

Reside in: Apartment _____ Mobil Home _____ House _____ Condo _____
 Own or Rent? _____ If Rent, does the landlord allow pets? _____
 Landlord's Name _____ Landlord's Phone # _____
 Fenced in yard? _____ If Yes, height of fence? _____
 Number of Adults in the Home? _____ Number of children in the home and ages? _____
 Have they handled animals before? _____ Allergies to animals? _____
 If yes to allergies, how do you handle that? _____

Pet Data

Do you currently have pets? _____
 How many? Dogs _____ Male _____ Female _____ Spayed/Neutered?
 Cats _____ Male _____ Female _____ Spayed/Neutered?
 Breeds of animals and how you acquired them: _____
 Do you have other pets? Yes / No If Yes, what kind? _____
 How many animals have you owned in the last five years? _____
 Do you still have them? Yes / No If no, explain _____
 Are your animals current on their vaccinations? Yes / No
 Are your animals on heartworm preventative? Yes / No If yes, what kind? _____
 If you have cats, have they been tested for Feline leukemia or FIV? Yes / No If yes, date _____
 Who is your current veterinarian? Name: _____ Phone # _____
 Can we contact your vet for a referral? Yes / No
 Would you permit a home inspection? Yes / No
 Have you administered medication to dogs or cats before? Yes / No
 What pet supplies do you have? (litter box, crate, toys, grooming, etc) _____

 Do you have an indoor area to contain/isolate foster animals? Yes / No

What type of animal are you prepared to foster? (please check all that apply):

Injured / ill adult cats	<input type="checkbox"/>
Injured / ill kittens	<input type="checkbox"/>
Healthy adult cat	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cat in need of socialization	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mother with kittens	<input type="checkbox"/>
Orphaned kittens that would need bottle fed approximately every 3-4 hours	<input type="checkbox"/>

Injured / ill adult dogs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Injured / ill puppies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Healthy adult dog	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dog in need of socialization	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mother with puppies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Orphaned puppies that would need bottle fed approximately every 3-4 hours	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please list skills or knowledge that you have pertaining to animals _____

Have you been a foster parent before? Yes / No

Do you understand that the animal may not be housebroken? _____

Are you willing to give the animal time to adapt to your home? _____

Do you live in Carroll County? Yes / No

Please list your work days and hours _____

Do you understand that the animal you foster may have to be euthanized? Yes / No

(foster parents do not participate in the euthanasia process or decisions)

Would you be willing/available to take foster pet to outdoor events to increase chance of adoption? Yes / No

Day(s) you would be available for vet appointments or meeting potential adopters at the GSHS facility:

Are you currently a member of GSHS? Yes / No If not, would you like to become a member? Yes / No
(Individual Memberships are \$20 per year and it gives you the opportunity to vote and have input in decisions on critical issues facing the organization. It also provides quarterly newsletters mailed to your home.)

Things to Consider

Foster animals will be up for adoption, although GSHS does allow foster parents to adopt because we understand that the bond may be too strong to relinquish the animal, we encourage community citizen adoptions so that we do not lose an available space to foster animals.

Foster pets may have behavior problems or may be destructive.

Foster pets may have diseases that could infect your personal pets.

There are some diseases that could be contagious to people such as mange or ring worm.

GSHS will need updates by either phone or e-mail throughout the foster stay.

You would need to be available to make trips to GSHS for vet appointments.

If you are caring for an animal in need of medication, you would have to be available to administer the medication.

Foster animals can be in need of foster care for reasons ranging from lack of space in the shelter, behavioral issues, special needs, or attention for shyness ... to name a few.

Completion of this application does not guarantee acceptance into the program.

Foster pets will be chosen by the GSHS staff and not the foster parent.

The time of fostering can range from a few days to several months depending on animal needs and available space at the shelter.

GSHS does not cover expenses or boarding or other vet bills that are not pre-approved.

Being a non-profit facility, GSHS is able to provide a starter bag or litter and food, needs that are greater than this must be called in by Wednesday at noon to be picked up by the foster parent the following Tuesday.

If accepted, understand that GSHS is not responsible for property or personal damage, wounds inflicted, or illness caused by the foster pet.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please print signature: _____

NOTICE TO THE ADOPTER:

Return Policy: The dog/cat can be returned within 7 days with original receipt and 1/2 of the fee will be returned.

Per Animal Shelter Policy and Procedure, Section III, paragraph J.

After 7 days, adopter forfeits fee and must pay surrender fee. Adopter will be place on 90 day waiting period be allowed to adopt again.

Adopter Signature:

Date:

Manager / Asst. Manager / Employee signature:

Copy to adopter

Copy for file