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FOSTER PARENT APPLICATION

General Foster

Foster to Adopt

Guardian Angel

Foster Parent Name: _____

Physical Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Secondary Phone: _____

Spouse Name & Phone Number: _____ Employer: _____

Email: _____

Which of the following would you be interested in fostering:

- Puppies younger than 8 weeks old WITH mother dog
- Puppies younger than 8 weeks old WITHOUT mother dog
- Dogs that are receiving minor medical treatment that must be completed before adoption can occur
- Dogs that may require behavioral and/or basic training
- Dogs that may need a chance to recover from being kenneled, and/or abandoned from a previous owner

Living arrangement (*circle one*): House Trailer Apartment Other: _____

Do you (*circle one*): Rent *or* Own

The dogs in your household are current on the following vaccinations (*check all that apply*):

- Parvo/Distemper
- Bordetella
- Rabies
- Other: _____

Do you have a fenced yard? (*circle one*) Yes No Type: _____ Height: _____

Where will your foster dog(s)/puppies be kept? (*please explain*): _____

Does anyone in your household have allergies to dog hair or dander? Yes No

If yes, please explain: _____

Foster Guidelines & Requirements:

As a dog/puppy foster home, you promise to abide by the following rules:

1. For puppies under 12 weeks of age, the foster parent agrees to keep the animal indoors at all time, and segregated from all other animals. Foster puppies must not visit areas other than Dorothy O'Connor Pet Adoption Center (DOCPAC) or our Veterinarian. This includes public parks, pet stores or other highly trafficked area. DOCPAC is allowed to conduct the immediate removal of the animal if the situation warrants, at the sole discretion of DOCPAC.
2. Puppies are to return to the DOCPAC shelter every 2 weeks for a checkup. The puppies will then return to your home until 12 weeks of age at which you will take the puppy to the assigned Veterinarian on the scheduled date and time.
3. All puppy/dog return for surgery, vaccinations and adoption dates will be determined by the Director of Animal Services. These dates will be given to you at time of pick up.
4. Non-essentials will be provided by the foster parents, not DOCPAC. All food will be provided to each foster parent, excluding the Foster to Adopt Program.
5. All animals placed in foster care are the property of DOCPAC and must be returned to DOCPAC upon request. The foster animal cannot be transferred to another party or another location without prior approval from DOCPAC. The foster parent may refer potential adopters directly to DOCPAC. If the foster parent is interested in adopting their foster animal, standard adoption policies will apply, including completing and adoption contract as well as paying an adoption fee.
6. If you are the in Foster to Adopt program, you are still **ONLY** a foster until the puppy has been spayed/neutered and the adoption process and contract is final. This **MUST** take place at the shelter. Until that time, the puppy is still property of DOCPAC, and you must adhere to all general foster home rules.
7. Applications for puppies may be taken before adoption release, but will be on a first come first serve basis.
8. Immediately call DOCPAC if any dog/puppy becomes ill during regular business hours at (361)575-8573, Mon. – Fri. 8-5, Sat. 12-5, closed Sunday. If you are to have an emergency situation during non-business hours you will be provided with an emergency contact number on your sign out sheet. If you choose to take any animal to a Veterinarian without DOCPAC's approval, you will be responsible for the medical bill. The foster parent and their family agree to follow all relevant procedures and guidelines regarding any DOCPAC animal placed in their care, and will make no decisions or take any actions regarding the animal(s) Veterinary care (including euthanasia) without prior approval from DOCPAC. The foster parent further agrees to respect any decisions made by DOCPAC and can be removed from the foster parent's home at any time and without prior notice.

9. At no time during which the foster parent is entrusted with any DOCPAC animal(s) will the number of animals (personal & fosters) combined the home (including garage) exceed that which can be cared for in a sanitary and healthy manner.
10. The foster parent understands that this agreement does not in any way confer upon foster parent the right to independently rescue animals under the auspices of DOCPAC, and that DOCPAC reserves, and has the right and the sole discretion, to admit any independently rescued animal into its system.
11. You will not hold DOCPAC responsible for any illness that may be transmitted to your own pets.
12. DOCPAC is not responsible for any bodily injury to person or household pets while in foster care.
13. All puppies and dogs under your care are to be treated with the utmost respect, dignity and love.
14. Also see information on the foster sign out sheet.

By signing, I understand the terms and conditions explained in this document:

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature (*if under 18*): _____

Date: _____

Dorothy O'Connor Pet Adoption Center Use ONLY

Foster Coordinator: _____

Home Visit Date: _____

Director approval/Denial: _____

Comments: _____

(Foster Family Copy)

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