

WAHS Foster Care Program

Welcome to the Washington Area Humane Society Foster Program. The animal/animals you will be fostering benefit in so many ways by being welcomed into your home. They will be living in a less stressful and quieter environment. As a result of your loving care, physical handling and interactions, the animal becomes more people-friendly and, therefore, a better candidate for future adoption. There can be no greater gift that you can give our animals than to help them find permanent and loving homes.

Please read the following information which helps to explain what each party in this fostering experience can expect from the other. If you have no questions regarding this information, please sign below. You will be provided with a copy of this agreement in case you do have questions later. This agreement is not applicable to the 'Foster to Adopt Program'.

The foster parent agrees to:

- pay for the feeding and indoor sheltering of the animal (at the Shelter's discretion and under specific circumstances food may be provided for the foster animal).
- onsite inspection or visit by WAHS representative
- allow the animal's photo to be placed on the Internet and elsewhere to advertise that it is adoptable
- make the animal available for viewing by potential adopters
- a schedule for receiving vaccinations, worming treatments or medications as determined by WAHS
- contact the WAHS if the foster animal becomes ill in order to receive instructions on where to take the animal for treatment should WAHS determine treatment is required
- pay for any medical treatment provided by a veterinarian other than a WAHS vet unless prior approval has been received
- keep records of past and current medical treatments for the animal received from a vet other than a WAHS vet
- surrender the foster animal if deemed necessary by the WAHS
- have any adoption of the foster animal approved only by the appropriate individuals at WAHS

The Shelter agrees to:

- keep computerized records of the location of all fostered animals
- provide the foster person with appropriate, WAHS vet approved medications for animals deemed by the WAHS to have special needs.
- provide directions, after having first been contacted by the foster parent to alert WAHS the foster pet is sick, as to whether the animal should be brought to the Shelter or to the Washington Animal Hospital for treatment, if it is deemed that the animal requires medical attention.
- maintain animal profile information (incoming number, avid number, shot records, etc.) to be available for review by potential adopter
- accept the animal back if its medical treatment and care become too burdensome for the foster parent
- give the right of first refusal to adopt the foster animal to the foster parent, but the Shelter maintains the right to rescind this offer if it deems it is in the best interest of the animal to do so

One time only special offer to people who simultaneously foster more than one animal:

If a person simultaneously fosters more than one kitten or puppy, that person may adopt one of the animals free of charge. If a person fosters a mother cat or dog and her babies, that person may adopt the mother or one of the babies free of charge.

I have read and agree to the above:

Foster parent:_____ **Date:**_____