Become a Dog Foster Carer

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TTF occasionally needs volunteer foster carers to provide a temporary home for dogs on their way to a forever family. Fostering gives vulnerable or recovering dogs a second chance, and lets us see how they behave in a home setting so we can find them the right match. Email us for a foster application form.

What Dogs Will I Foster?

- TTF discusses every dog's details with you first, so you're fully informed.
- Dogs may be adult or juvenile.
- Occasionally, a nursing mother or litter needing hand-rearing.

What Will I Need to Do?

- Care for all the dog's needs — feeding, walking, grooming, training, socializing, and vet visits.
- Follow TTF's guidance on training and handling.
- Share photos and updates to support the rehoming process.
- Meet potential adopters and help assess if they're a good match.

Requirements to Foster

- Compassion and patience — every dog is an individual.
- Enthusiasm for training.
- Experience with dogs.
- Enough time to spend with the dog.
- A safe, quiet space for the dog to rest.
- Ideally, commit until the dog is adopted (typically a few days to several months).
- If you have to travel in between it is usually possible to board the animal with the TTF until you return.

What You'll Get

- Regular contact with TTF's volunteer team.
- Veterinary and behavioral support.
- Use of basic equipment — bed, blankets, bowls, leash.
- The knowledge that you're helping a vulnerable dog reach its forever home.

Levels of Fostering

Choose the level of commitment that works for you:

1. Provide the home, food, and your time.
2. As above, plus small supplies (e.g., dog wash, dewormer, tick & flea, vaccination).
3. As above, plus veterinary costs, in full or in part — always open to discussion, and available through TTF's partner vets at subsidized rates.

Becoming a Foster Carer

1. Submit your application.
2. Complete a short phone interview.
3. Host a home visit from a TTF volunteer — ideally a calm household with secure outdoor access.
4. Sign TTF's Foster Care Agreement and join the foster list, ready to be matched with a dog.

Ongoing Support

TTF stays in regular contact throughout your placement to help with any issues, questions, or basic training guidance that comes up.