

FOSTER CARE APPLICATION

Please return complete form to: Humane Society of Tom Green County
Attn: Foster Program
3142 US Highway 67 North
San Angelo, Texas 76905

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Home Phone: _____
Work Phone: _____
Cell Phone: _____

Please tell us about your property:

1. You **Rent** / **Own** your property.
2. Is your yard fenced? **Yes** / **No**
 - a. If so, what kind? **4 ft chain link** / **5 ft chain link** / **privacy fencing**

Please tell us about your pets and preferences

3. Have you ever owned a dog? **Yes** / **No**
4. Do you have any house pets now? **Yes** / **No**
 - a. Please describe type / age / sex
 - i. Pet _____
 - ii. Pet _____
 - iii. Pet _____
 - iv. Pet _____
 - b. Are all of your house pets spayed / neutered? **Yes** / **No**
 - c. Are any of your pets "animal" or "people" aggressive? **Yes** / **No**
If yes, please explain.
 - d. Your own pets live primarily **indoors** / **outdoors**.
 - e. What type of breed / type pet do you prefer? _____

- f. Do you prefer a **neutered male** or **spayed female**?
- g. What age works best for you (puppies are easy to place and seldom need foster care)?
2 - 5 yrs / 6 - 9 yrs
- h. Do you have any training in dog obedience? **Yes / No**
- i. If you go out of town while you are fostering a dog, do you have the means to continue care for the dog? **Yes / No**
- j. How energetic should a dog be to suit your lifestyle? **High / Medium / Low**
- k. How much grooming do you prefer to do (comb / brush)?
 - i. _____ I need a very low maintenance dog
 - ii. _____ Once a week is fine
 - iii. _____ Twice a week is fine
- l. Who is your veterinarian? _____
- m. Where will the foster animal be kept during the day? _____
 - i. During the night? _____
- n. How many hours per day will the foster animal be left alone? _____
- o. Are you willing to bring your foster dog to the shelter for scheduled adoption events? **Yes / No**
- p. Are you willing to have potential owners over to your house to view the dog in your family setting? **Yes / No**
- q. For what length of time can you foster an animal? _____

Please tell us about your family

- 5. Does everyone in the house agree with your decision to foster care for pets? **Yes / No**
- 6. Do you have any children? **Yes / No**
 - a. If Yes, age(s) / gender(s) _____
- 7. Does anyone in your home have known allergies to pet hair? **Yes / No**

Foster Care Program Contract Of Understanding

HSTGC = Humane Society of Tom Green County

Thank you for your interest in HSTGC Foster Care program. We are committed to placing a foster care dog as soon as possible in a "forever home". Some dogs are placed in rescue within a few days; others take weeks or months to find suitable homes.

HSTGC Foster Care will provide spay/neuter service prior to the animal being placed in your home. If needed, HSTGC will provide adequate food, flea / tick preventative, and emergency medical care.

1. HSTGC Foster Care will not place a dog known to have an unsound temperament. However, no one can predict how any dog will react in a given situation, especially without complete knowledge of its life experiences.
2. No dog will be placed in a new home, which does not provide a fenced yard, except for apartment dwellers. Apartment dwellers must agree to always walk the dog on a leash. Dogs will be kept as indoor/outdoor dogs in close companionship with their foster families. Dogs should not be kept outside in extreme temperatures. Dogs will not be on a chain at any time. Dogs will not be carried unteathered in the bed of a pick-up truck.
3. Foster care providers should be willing to provide proper food, medical care, and a loving, safe, healthy environment for the foster dog. Foster care providers may not use the dog for medical research, fighting, personal protection training or any use other than companion animal without written consent from the HSTGC.
4. The responsibility for the foster dog belongs jointly to the HSTGC and the Foster Care provider. However, if for some valid reason the foster dog does not work to the advantage of the foster care provider and the dog, HSTGC must be contacted for return of the dog. A Foster Care provider will not place the dog in a new home. The Foster Care provider shall not transfer the dog to anyone other than HSTGC without written consent
5. Humane Society board members may evaluate prospective Foster homes at mutually agreed upon times. Initial visitation and evaluations will not occur without a 24 hours notice. Once an animal is placed into the Foster home, the Foster family agrees to allow the HSTGC to inspect the premises where the animal is kept at any reasonable hour, without prior notice.
6. HSTGC has the dog in your home for the purpose of adopting the dog to a family. The Foster Care provider needs to be available to show the dog to potential owners. The HSTGC may take the dog for adoption into a permanent home, rescue, or for medical care.
7. HSTGC makes no representations or warranties regarding the temperament or physical condition of any foster care dog.
8. Once you are caring for a dog, Foster care providers must inform HSTGC of changes in their address or phone number within 5 days of such change.
9. HSTGC shall not be responsible for any bodily injuries or property damage caused by any foster dog or by the actions of its Foster care provider. The HSTGC Foster care provider hereby specifically assumes sole responsibility for, and agrees to hold HSTGC harmless from any and all loss and expenses (including legal fees) by reason of liability imposed by law upon HSTGC, or any of its officers and members because of bodily injuries or death to any person or persons including the Foster care provider, or any damage to property arising out of or in consequence of

the placement of the dog, howsoever such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, whether or not the same may have been caused, or may be alleged to have been accused, by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents or members, or any other person.

10. I grant permission to HSTGC to obtain information on me from the animal shelter / police agencies.

I have read the preceding and agree to the conditions set forth.

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Date

Signature (Applicant)

Signature (HSTGC board member)

Signature (Executive Director)