

Lifelong Friends Pet Adoptions

PO Box 4100 ♦ 20803 FM 1431 Lago Vista, TX 78645 ♦ 512-267-6876 ♦ www.lifelongfriends.org

Foster Care Application

Date _____

THANK YOU! As a foster parent, you will have the opportunity to provide a temporary home and nurturing environment for an animal that is in need of special attention!

APPLICANT'S NAME:			
Address:			
City, State, Zip:			
Phone:	(home)	(work)	(cell)
E-mail:			

I am interested in fostering the following: **(Please circle all that apply.)**

Mother Cat with Kittens

Kittens

Sick Cat/Kitten

Adult Cat

Mother Dog with Puppies

Puppies

Sick Dog/Puppy

Adult Dog

Cats/Kittens

- Some of the cats and kittens that come to our shelter need a great deal of socialization. In some cases, these cats/kittens have not lived with humans and are very fearful. In other cases, the cats/kittens have been abused and need to learn to trust people again. These cats/kittens may require a more long-term fostering commitment.

Are you interested in fostering one of these cats/kittens or litter of kittens that need socialization? **Yes No**

If yes, have you had experience with cats/kittens that need socialization? Please explain in the space below.

- We sometimes have nursing kittens that come to the shelter without a mother cat. These kittens need to be bottle fed every couple of hours and stimulated to go to the bathroom. At the appropriate age, the kittens will need to be weaned to canned and dried food. This kind of fostering requires someone who is home most of the time. The kittens will come to the shelter at 7-8 weeks of age.

Are you interested in fostering a litter of nursing kittens? **Yes No**

If yes, specify the maximum number of kittens you would be able to care for: _____

If yes, have you had experience bottle feeding kittens? Please explain in the space below.

- We sometimes have pregnant cats come to the shelter that are too far along to spay. It would be ideal if these cats could have their kittens in a relaxed home environment, rather than at the shelter where they would be handled by numerous caregivers and living in a large community of cats. Please realize that this is a longer term fostering commitment. As the foster parent, you would keep the mother cat through her pregnancy and through several weeks of nursing and weaning the kittens.

Are you interested in fostering a pregnant cat? **Yes No**

If yes, have you had experience caring for a pregnant cat and newborn kittens? Please explain in the space below.

- Some of the cats/kittens at the shelter need medication or special attention due to a health problem. The amount of time in foster care will vary greatly, depending on the severity of the condition.

Are you interested in fostering a cat/kitten that has a health problem? **Yes No**

If yes, have you had experience giving medications to cats/kittens or dealing with cat/kitten health issues? Please explain in the space below.

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DOGS

- Some of the dogs and puppies that come to our shelter need a great deal of socialization. In some cases, these dogs/puppies are very fearful. In other cases, the dogs/puppies have been abused and need to learn to trust people again. These dogs/puppies may require a more long-term fostering commitment.

Are you interested in fostering one of these dogs/puppies or litter of puppies that need socialization? **Yes No**

If yes, have you had experience with dogs/puppies that need socialization? Please explain in the space below.

- We sometimes have nursing puppies that come to the shelter without a mother dog. These puppies need to be bottle fed every couple of hours and stimulated to go to the bathroom. At the appropriate age, the puppies will need to be weaned to canned and dried food. This kind of fostering requires someone who is home most of the time. The puppies will come to the shelter at 7-8 weeks of age.

Are you interested in fostering a litter of nursing puppies? **Yes No**

If yes, specify the maximum number of puppies you would be able to care for: _____

If yes, have you had experience bottle feeding puppies? Please explain in the space below.

- We sometimes have pregnant dogs come to the shelter that are too far along to spay. It would be ideal if these dogs could have their puppies in a relaxed home environment, rather than at the shelter where they would be handled by numerous caregivers and living in a large community of dogs. Please realize that this is a longer term fostering commitment. As the foster parent, you would keep the mother dog through her pregnancy and through several weeks of nursing and weaning the puppies.

Are you interested in fostering a pregnant dog? **Yes No**

If yes, have you had experience caring for a pregnant dog and newborn puppies? Please explain in the space below.

- Some of the dogs/puppies at the shelter need medication or special attention due to a health problem. The amount of time in foster care will vary greatly, depending on the severity of the condition.

Are you interested in fostering a dog/puppy that has a health problem? **Yes No**

If yes, have you had experience giving medication to dogs/puppies or dealing with dog/puppy health issues? Please explain in the space below.

Submit your application to:
Lifelong Friends, PO Box 4100, Lago Vista, TX 78645
Fax: 267-3099

E-Mail: info@lifelongfriends.org

A foster coordinator will be in touch with you as soon as possible.

Office Use Only:

A D Orientation Date _____

Comments _____

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Have you ever owned a pet? **Yes** **No**

What type and how many animals do you currently have in your home?

Name	Breed/Species	Age	Sterilized	Inside or Outside

Who is your local vet (we may call your vet as a reference)? _____

Do you own or rent your home? **Own** **Rent**

If you rent, who is your landlord? _____

What is your landlord's phone number? _____

Please describe the general area where the animal(s) you are fostering will be kept.

Do you have and children and what are their ages? _____

Have you ever fostered animals before (this applies to any organization)? **Yes** **No**

Are you willing to allow a Lifelong Friends representative to visit the animal(s) at your home? **Yes** **No**

Frequently, we try to have animals adopted directly from a foster home:

Can a prospective adopter call you regarding your foster animal? **Yes** **No**

Can they visit your home to see the animal? **Yes** **No**

References:

1. Name/Phone Number: _____

2. Name/Phone Number: _____

3. Name/Phone Number: _____

As a dog foster parent, you will be required to:

keep your foster dog(s) on a leash or enclosed in a fence yard when outside to go to the bathroom or play and to keep your foster dog(s) inside the house at all other times.

As a cat foster parent, you will be required to:

Keep your foster cat(s) indoors at all times.

By initialing below, you acknowledge that you will abide by these rules.

Initial: _____

AS A FOSTER PARENT

- You may have an animal in your care for a short period of time or an extended period of time. This will frequently be determined when you receive an animal to be fostered. However, this amount of time is subject to change depending on the needs of the animal and the circumstances at the shelter. Please provide us with adequate notice should you need to return a foster animal.
- Should your foster animal need veterinary care while in your custody, **Lifelong Friends** will pay for that care but it **MUST BE PRE-AUTHORIZED** by a qualified **Lifelong Friends** representative and it must be provided by one of the vets we work with.
- While you are caring for a foster animal, we ask that you check in with your designated contact person on a predetermined schedule to report on the animal's progress and address any concerns you might have.
- If you find a person who is interested in adopting your foster pet, that person must go through the formal **Lifelong Friends** adoption application process. Never give your foster to anyone except a shelter representative.

By signing this form, you agree to the above statements and certify that the answers given above are true:

Signature /Date _____

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