

Franklin County Humane Society Foster Care Agreement

General Foster Foster with Potential to Adopt Foster Pending Rescue (Unadoptable)

1. I understand the goals and mission of the Franklin Co Humane Society (FCHS) and, as a foster volunteer, agree to work toward these goals and to represent this mission within the community on behalf of the organization. My commitment includes abiding by FCHS's foster care guidelines as outlined in this document.
2. I understand that only FCHS's Foster Coordinator, Shelter Manager, or the Board have the authority to make exceptions/changes to program guidelines.
3. I understand animals in foster care are the property of FCHS and that fostered animals must be returned to FCHS upon request. I understand that FCHS has the right to terminate this foster care agreement and relationship at will.
4. I agree to foster for two (2) weeks. If I wish to continue fostering I will return to the shelter with the option to transfer my foster and give another animal the opportunity of being fostered for a 2 week period.
5. I agree to scheduled home visits at least once a year. If I wish to foster a Pitbull or Pitbull mix then I agree to a home visit prior to taking the dog into foster care and I understand that I must live in Franklin County.
6. I agree to provide proper food, water, shelter, humane treatment, and medical care for the time I am fostering. I will keep identification on my foster(s) at all times. I understand that all cats will be fostered indoors. Dogs cannot be chained or tied out unattended for any extended period of time but can have outdoor living quarters in a fenced enclosure that is deemed suitable by FCHS. If living outdoors then dogs must to be allowed the opportunity for daily exercise and socialization outside of the enclosure.
7. I agree to return the animal to FCHS if I am no longer able or willing to care for it, by first contacting the Foster Coordinator.
8. I understand that if I, as a foster parent, want to adopt any of my foster(s) then I must go through the standard process. I also understand that I cannot directly send my foster(s) to an adoptive or potential adoptive home, I must go through the shelter. Furthermore, I understand that I must have permission from the Foster Coordinator before sending my foster(s) to another approved FCHS foster home.
9. I understand that fosters need to be taken to FCHS's on-site Veterinarian for any medical care. It is my responsibility to notify the Foster Coordinator of any and all medical needs of my foster pet. FCHS funds all medical care, however, if there is an event of a medical emergency after hours or on the weekend, vetting approval is needed by the Foster Coordinator, the Shelter Manger, or a Board Member and **only** if the medical care is provided at a FCHS approved veterinary clinic. I understand that if I choose to take my foster(s) to a non-approved veterinary clinic, or if I take my foster(s) to an emergency veterinary hospital without prior approval, FCHS will not reimburse me for the expenses incurred. Furthermore any expenses incurred for supplies such as cat litter, food, leash, etc., are considered a donation and are tax deductible. I also understand that such expenses cannot be applied toward adoption fees should I adopt my foster.
10. I understand that there is a possibility of health or injury risk when caring for foster animals. Not only from biting incidents but also Zoonotic diseases. These are diseases that are transmitted from animal to human. Common transmissible diseases are: ringworm, mites, fleas, mange and less frequently roundworm, tapeworm, coccidia, or giardia. It is suggested that new foster animals should be kept separate from personal pets for at least a week. I also understand that pregnant women and people with

