

Need -- Very High

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_____ Bottle Puppies. Many times puppies are not old enough to be weaned when they are brought to us. In that situation, it is best if they can stay with their moms; unfortunately that isn't always possible. Coming into a shelter is very stressful and possibly dangerous for such young babies, so a foster home ready to bottle feed puppies is a big help.

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_____ Loner cats. cats that need to be only cats. These cats have a hard time finding alone space in a shelter, and that means adopters don't always see them at their best.

_____ Level 2 dogs. Many dogs have moderate issues in a home setting, and when in a shelter those problems grow, and the dog starts showing how stressed they are by acting out. These dogs are most likely to flourish with one on one attention and training. Their best fit would be an experienced foster home.

Need -- Moderate

_____ Playful cats. Ready to play the day away? Well so are these kitties! These cats can get bored and anxious in a shelter. In a foster home they will most likely calm down as long as they get daily one on one attention.

_____ Independent cats. These cats may hide for a while, and make people earn their trust. A shelter can be really intimidating for them because of the constant stream of strangers.

_____ Level 1 dogs. Some dogs will show an average amount of issues; most people have a dog like this. They are generally well mannered and will react naturally when put in an uncomfortable situation, such as grabbing a toy from their mouth, taking away their food, or putting your face right into theirs. It's best to have a foster home with previous pet owners.

What can I do to help my fosters get adopted?

For all of them:

- Pictures! Posting pictures and videos online lets adopters see that these pets are out there and waiting for fur-ever homes!
- Descriptions of how they are in a home. Animals are very different in a home than they are in a shelter. No matter how hard we try to make them comfortable and give them a home-like environment, the constantly changing sights, sounds, smells, people, and animals keep most pets on high alert. Knowing how they are in a home helps us match them with the best possible adopters.

Puppies:

- Keep up with their shot schedule. AH staff will have it all written down, but mistakes may happen, so staying on top of their next booster will help us all with keeping these guys healthy.
- Socialization. Exposing young puppies to new sights, sounds, and smells while in a controlled and comfortable environment helps them become better adjusted adults. It increases the likelihood of them being friendly in future situations such as with new animals. This makes more homes available to them.
- Puppy manners. As soon as these puppies start wiggling around they are learning new things. Encouraging them to show good behaviors and not to form bad habits will help them be the best dogs they can be. This includes: potty training, socialization, leash training, not nipping, not jumping, etc.

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Dogs:

- Training. Everything from potty training to "Play Dead" helps impress adopters. If you can get videos of special tricks it helps even more.

Foster Home Information

Foster's Name: _____

Address: _____

Foster's Phone:

h) _____

c) _____

w) _____

Email address:

Human children and other people in house:

Other pets:

Fenced area:

Other Comments: