



# THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING TO FOSTER

ARA Canine Rescue inc  
**HUSKY RESCUE and ADOPTION**

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Foster homes like yours allow us to rescue more dogs, and we appreciate your generosity in opening your home to a rescued husky. By providing a foster home, you're providing a stable, loving environment for a dog that has been neglected and abandoned. You're also providing much-needed socialization, and basic training, that will make our dogs more appealing for adoption and better members of their adoptive families. The dogs we rescue are generally those that are in their last hours at the shelter either because no one has adopted them or they are "rescue only" for a variety of reasons.

Please read & review the following important guidelines:

1. All Foster Homes must complete the Foster Home Application and Agreement
2. All Foster Homes agree to accept primary responsibility for providing lodging and care of their foster dog until a permanent adopting family is found.
3. Food donated to ARA Canine Rescue will be made available to all Foster Homes, as it is received.
4. If you think your Foster Dog needs any medical care, including vet visits or over the counter medications, please contact your ARA Canine Rescue representative before acting.
5. Foster Homes are asked to keep their ARA contact apprised of their foster dogs behavior and if any issues arise.
6. Foster Homes are not required to foster any dog that they do not wish to foster. However, there may not be an immediate alternate foster home for your dog. We will work on moving your foster dog out as soon as possible, but ask for your understanding as we work on it. Only those dogs that have received prior approval for fostering and are deemed adoptable by a director of ARA can be fostered within ARA's Foster Program. Volunteers and/or Foster Homes are not authorized to pull dogs directly from the shelter.
7. We do not foster-to-adopt. Potential adopters should go through our regular application process rather than become Foster Homes.
8. All adoption applicants for a particular Foster Dog must go through the ARA application process. If a friend or family member of the Foster Home wishes to adopt your Foster Dog, that's great! But, the adopter must go through the same process as other applicants.
9. Your own dogs should be current with their vaccinations. We also recommend that you vaccinate your dogs with a Bordetella vaccination to prevent kennel cough, a common illness with shelter dogs. ARA canine rescue is not responsible for any veterinary bills for resident dogs. The Foster Home assumes responsibility for any veterinary bills that result from resident dogs becoming ill due to exposure with a Foster Dog.
10. If you are planning a vacation, please notify ARA as far in advance as you can. We will need at least 2 weeks to arrange for alternative placement for your foster dog. If you want to take your foster dog with you, even for just a weekend, you **MUST** notify ARA beforehand. If ARA has an applicant interested we may make arrangements to keep your dog locally to be able to show him/her. Do not leave your dog with anyone else without prior approval from ARA. Anytime a foster dog is left we **MUST** have a signed release of liability

**Please email your application to [alleysangels@gmail.com](mailto:alleysangels@gmail.com) or fax to the number below.**



# FOSTER APPLICATION FOR \_\_\_\_\_

## Your Information

Full Name(s):

Address City/State/Zip

Email:

Best Contact Phone Number:

Do you:    OWN    RENT                      renters please confirm that you're allowed to have a dog by checking the box   

Landlord's name/phone

Do you have a yard? YES    NO

Is your yard fenced? YES    NO

Fence height & material:

Gate(s) securely locked? YES    NO

Pool? YES    NO

Pool separately fenced? YES    NO

## Emergency Contact

Name:

Phone:

Relationship:

## Family Information

Do you have specific experience with dogs?                      YES    NO

What is your primary reason you want to foster a dog?

Who will be responsible for the care of the dog?

Do you or anyone you live with have an allergy to dogs?                      YES    NO

Please list name(s), phone number(s), of all adults who live in the home

Please list name and age of children:

I agree to properly supervise my children when they are around the dog.                      YES    NO  
I agree not to allow my children to tease, torment, grab, pull on or hit the dog.                      YES    NO  
I agree to teach my children to never disturb the dog when it is eating or sleeping.                      YES    NO

## Other Pets

Are there other pets in the home?

YES NO

Name:

Dog/Cat?

Sex: Altered?

Age:

Dog Friendly?

Are these pets up to date on vaccines?

YES NO

**Have you every surrendered a pet?** YES NO *If so, why?*

**Have you had a pet euthanized?**

YES NO *If so, why?*

**Have you ever lost a pet?**

YES NO What were the circumstances?

## Commitment and Responsibility

Do you have time to provide adequate love and attention to your foster dog?

YES NO

When the dog goes out, how do you plan to supervise it?

Where will the dog stay during the day?

Please describe where the dog will sleep at night:

Where will the dog stay when you are not home?

Hours per day will the pet be alone:

Do you have a crate?

YES NO

What is the maximum amount of time you would leave the dog in the crate?

**I will never leave my foster dog enclosed in a vehicle parked in direct sunlight or on a hot day.** YES NO

How much time are you prepared to allow for your new pet to adjust to your home?

Can you walk your dog at least once a day?

YES NO

Have you ever housebroken a dog?

YES NO

What do you feel is the best way to discipline a dog?

I am willing to consult a dog trainer, or other professional if my dog has behavioral issues: YES NO

What would you do if your foster dog develops a problem with any of the following. If this were to happen could you keep this pet and continue to work with any of these issues:

Housebreaking:

Digging:

Barking:

Chewing:

Separation Anxiety:

Escaping/Running Away:

Aggression:

**Under what circumstances would you not be able to keep your foster dog?**

I will never allow any physical, mental, or emotional abuse of the dog YES NO

I agree to provide a safe and enclosed environment for my dog and that the dog will not be left tethered or chained to a stationary object while unsupervised or for more than a short time.

I agree that the dog will live inside my home and will not be isolated from the family. YES NO

**WE DO NOT ALLOW OUR DOGS TO BE KEPT EXCLUSIVELY OUTDOORS**

Are you willing to let a representative of Alleys Rescued Angels visit your home by appointment? YES NO

I understand that high-quality dog foods are more expensive & I'm prepared to provide this for my rescue dog YES NO

Signature:

Signature:

Date:



**This is a binding agreement between ARA Canine Rescue Inc and foster(s). By initialing after each section I agree to abide by all terms and conditions.**

*The Foster Home acknowledges that s/he has read, understood & agrees to abide by the terms and conditions of this Agreement and guidelines and that all the information provided in this application is true and correct \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home agrees to care for its foster animals in a humane and responsible manner, and to provide the foster animal with sufficient shelter, water and food. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home acknowledges that ownership of all foster animals shall remain with ARA until such time as proper adoption is completed. No foster animal may be adopted, transferred, or relinquished without written approval by an authorized representative of ARA. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home agrees to keep the foster animal's ARA ID Tag on the foster animal at all times, and to keep the foster animal on a leash or in a secure pet carrier when outside of its foster home or fenced yard, and to keep the foster animal within the passenger compartment of any vehicle during vehicular transportation. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home understands and agrees that only designated ARA representatives have authority to approve and place rescued animals into foster or permanent homes, and that only authorized representatives of ARA will conduct interviews and home visits and make adoption placement decisions. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home agrees to notify his/her Foster contact ASAP of any change in the status of the animal in his/her care or the foster home environment described above, and to immediately notify his/her Foster Contact in the event the foster animal is injured or missing. Reasonable emergency veterinary expenses for the foster animal will be reimbursed by ARA in accordance with our guidelines in the event an ARA approved veterinarian cannot be reached. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home agrees to be helpful, and honest with potential adopters and to cooperate in showing the foster animal and accommodating potential adopters who wish to meet the foster animal. The Foster Home will provide ARA with his/her fair impressions and honest assessment of the foster animal. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home understands that adoptions will be deemed completed only upon execution of the ARA adoption contract, receipt of adoption fee, and final approval by an authorized ARA representative. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home understands that if the Foster Home decides to adopt his/her foster animal, s/he pay the full adoption fee charged by ARA. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home understands and agrees that ARA foster animals are rescues, and that rescue animals respond to situations differently and unpredictably. The Foster Home understands and agrees that ARA makes no representations or warranties express or implied, about the foster animal's health, behavior or temperament. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The Foster Home understands that all work done with ARA is at his/her own risk, and hereby releases ARA, its officers, volunteers, agents, employees, contractors and representatives from any liability of any kind whatsoever arising from his/her voluntary foster care and/or from any claims relating to adoption, ownership or possession of the foster animal. The Foster Home also agrees to indemnify and hold harmless ARA, its officers, volunteers, agents, employees, contractors and representatives from any and all losses, fines, claims or damages, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of or relating to the foster animal or his/her voluntary foster care of such animal, including any claims for injury or damage to persons or property caused by the foster animal. \_\_\_\_\_*

I have read and understood all the acknowledgements listed above.

**Signature(s):**

**Printed Name(s):**

**Date:**

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## Supplies

We will provide the following items for your foster husky, but please let us know if you are happy to provide any of these supplies:

**Food & water bowls:** Have separate bowls for your foster dog. Feed your resident dogs & foster dog separately so that they can eat in a stress-free environment as they are getting to know each other.

**Food & Treats:** ARA can sometimes supply treats too, depending on our receipt of donations.

**Dog Crate:** We strongly recommend you have a crate for your foster dog. Crate training is a very helpful way to introduce a dog into a new home. We can give you instructions on crate training if you are unfamiliar with it.

**Toys:** Kongs are excellent for stuffing—they will keep your foster dog occupied, especially while you are away from the house..

**Bed:** Cotton blankets or large beach towels are best as they are washable and less likely to be chewed up by your foster dog.

**Collar & leash:** We will provide a collar and leash for your dog. An ARA ID tag will be on your dog's collar as well. This collar and tag should stay on at all times.

**Flea Treatment:** Please keep track of applications and be sure to apply it monthly.

## Introducing your Foster Dog to your Home

### Dog Introductions

Introduce your resident dogs to the foster dog on neutral territory, at a park for example. Introduce them on leash, with an adult holding each leash. Allow a quick “hello” sniff or walk-by, and then separate them, even if things seem fine. This gives them a chance to think about things, and often, they will then seek each other out to get a lengthier greeting. Give plenty of positive reinforcement so that both dogs feel safe and that the other dog is a friend, not a foe. If one dog gets aggressive, separate them quickly, comfort the dogs, and slow down the pace of the introductions.

Don't force things if they are not immediate best friends, sometimes it takes a few days for dogs to accept each other. Sometimes, dogs just don't like each other. By giving them each attention separately, and making them feel safe about their bed, toys, and food, you can minimize any tension.

### Getting along

Dogs are pack animals. There is usually one who dominates. Correction of one dog by another (whether it is your resident dog or the foster) is normal. As long as the dogs are responding positively to each other and seem to recognize the “pecking order” this is fine. So, one dog may growl at another. If the dog reacts by moving away or showing passivity, then usually, the dogs will get along fine. If they are constantly battling for the “alpha” position, then they will have to be separated, and may not be a good fit for each other.

### Never leave the dogs unsupervised together.

They are still getting to know one another, and will need correction on appropriate behavior toward each other, which means supervision. If you are leaving the house, then crate the dogs or otherwise physically separate them. Again, feed the dogs separately. This reduces stress for everyone.

### *Food aggression between dogs is common.*

### Everyone needs their space

If possible, it is best to keep foster dogs & resident dogs separate from each other for the first 2 days. This is a stressful time for foster dog who may have been on the street, in the shelter or in a transition foster home before arriving at your house—a lot of change for an animal that likes to have a “pack” and some stability in his/her life! Also, there are some common sicknesses that sometimes don't show up for 1-2 weeks that dogs often get at the shelter, so separation can ensure that your dogs don't get sick.

If it is not possible to keep them separate, be aware that your dogs may be exposed to illness. However, also be aware that many of the diseases that shelter dogs get (Kennel Cough, Diarrhea, etc) are stress related. Many have had poor nutrition and a hard life before coming to your home. ARA cannot be responsible for resident dog vet bills, we do not have the financial resources to make that commitment. If it is not possible to physically separate the dogs, try to ensure that everyone has their own “personal space” of a bed, a crate, or a special area. This will keep the stress levels lower for your own dogs and the foster dog.

The backyard is not an acceptable place to leave the foster dog alone & unsupervised.