



Foster Volunteer Application

1. Basic information

Full Legal Name: _____

Date of birth: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Cell phone: _____ E-mail address: _____

Why would you like to participate in this program?

Type of animal(s) you are willing and able to foster:

2. Your Household

Do you work outside of the home? Yes No

How many hours a day would your foster pet be home alone on an average day? _____

How many hours of interaction can you give a foster pet on an average day? _____

Please indicate your housing status:

Rent an apartment

Rent a house

Own a house or condo

Other. Please explain: _____

If you are renting, please provide your landlord's name and phone number:

We will contact your landlord to be sure the species/breed of foster animal is approved for your rental property.

Do you have a fenced yard? Yes No

*Please note that the Stafford SPCA does **require** a fenced-in yard for fostering dogs, with exceptions made only rarely.*

Please describe your fence (include construction type, height, size of fenced-in area, etc.):

Adults (anyone over 18 years old) in your household:

Full legal name

Date of birth

Relationship to you

Please attach another sheet if more space is needed. The Stafford SPCA requires background checks on every adult in the household of a potential foster family.

Do you have children in your household? Yes No

If yes, how many? _____

Please list their ages: _____ Any special needs? Describe: _____

This information is not used to disqualify you as a foster volunteer. We use this information to decide the best placement of a foster animal and the best fit for your family.

3. Your Current Animals and Veterinary Records

Please list the current animals in your household, if any:

| Pet's Name | Species | Breed | Sex | Spayed or neutered? | Age |
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***Please list **all** pets in your household. Attach another sheet if needed. The Stafford SPCA requires this information to insure our foster placements will be compatible with your family and existing pets. The welfare and safety of our foster animals is our first priority.*

Are your pets good with other animals? Elaborate as needed: _____

What is your preferred brand of dog or cat food? _____

If you have cats, do you keep them indoors or do you let them outside? _____

If you have dogs, do you keep them primarily indoors or outside? _____

The Stafford SPCA will contact your current veterinarian for a reference.

Your veterinarian's office: _____ Your veterinarian's name: _____

Telephone number: _____

If you do not have any pets currently, please list the name and contact information of the last veterinarian you have worked with.

Please expedite the process by calling your veterinarian and having them put a note on your account that the Stafford SPCA will be calling for a reference, and to ensure that your current animals are up to date on vaccinations.

4. Personal References

Please list two personal references whom we may contact:

Personal reference #1: _____

Phone number: _____

Your relationship/number of years known: _____

Personal reference #2: _____

Phone number: _____

Your relationship/number of years known: _____

Please make any additional comments regarding your application below. Especially note any special skills you have with providing medical care for animals, administering vaccinations, experience with bottle-feeding, etc.



Please read and initial the following items:

_____ I recognize that filling out this application does not guarantee my acceptance into the volunteer foster program. The Stafford SPCA reserves the right to refuse any application without explanation.

_____ I hereby give consent to the Stafford SPCA and its authorized representatives to perform appropriate background checks in regards to this application, and to contact all references listed on this application.

_____ I understand that part of the approval process for foster volunteer applications is a home visit, during which Stafford SPCA will make sure my home is suitable for fostering a particular animal. I also understand that the Stafford SPCA will facilitate meet and greets for my existing pets and a potential foster pet. Stafford SPCA will make the final decision regarding what foster animals will be placed in which homes.

_____ I understand that this application is to become a member of the volunteer foster program, *not* an application for a *specific* foster animal. Once my application has been vetted and if it is approved, the Stafford SPCA will be in consultation with me to decide which foster animal may be appropriate for my family and circumstances.

_____ I understand that the Stafford SPCA may not always have animals available who need foster homes. I agree to allow the Stafford SPCA to keep this volunteer foster application and to contact me as foster animals become available who may be suited for my home and circumstances.

_____ I understand that part of being a foster volunteer is a willingness to be flexible with my schedule, so that potential adopters have opportunity to schedule meet and greets with my foster animal. If I am selected as a foster home, I understand the need to be accommodating with my schedule.

_____ I understand that, even if I am selected as a foster home, the Stafford SPCA retains all legal rights over foster animals and will make all final decisions regarding the animal, including making medical decisions for the animal and screening and selecting its adoptive family.

_____ I understand that, if I am approved to be a foster volunteer and am given a foster animal to care for, I will sign a contract agreeing to care for the animal in accordance with the Stafford SPCA's foster policies. If I violate that contract in any way, the Stafford SPCA does reserve the right to remove the dog from the foster home.

Printed name of applicant:

Signature of applicant:

Date: _____

Stafford SPCA signature

Thank you for your interest in becoming a foster volunteer!

Stafford SPCA staff use only

RECEIVED BY: _____ **on** _____ **BKG:** _____ **PT:** _____ **DNA:** _____ **VT:** _____ **NOTES:** _____
