

WHY FOSTER WITH DDR?



IS FOSTERING RIGHT FOR YOU?

- **All types of homes can be fosters.** We have fosters who are single, couples, families with children, home with pets and without pets, work-from-home, Stay at home moms, people who work outside the home, apartments, single family homes, farms, owners and renters (you will need your landlords permission) The goal is to match the dogs needs to the appropriate foster home. We spend as much time finding the most fitting foster home as we do finding their adoptive home. We do require a virtual tour of your home before we put a foster dog in your care. We will want to ensure that your home is a safe environment for the dog and for your family.
- **All expenses for a foster dog are covered by the rescue.** We are certainly open to the fosters providing supplies, but it is not a requirement. We have a supplies director who will see that you have what you need, and Amazon will show up with anything else! We cover vet services and medication, training and grooming expenses while a dog is in foster care.
- **Doodle Dandy Rescue provides ongoing support to our fosters.** We have an on-line communication app that will connect you to the entire leadership team and other groups within the DDR community. Each dog is assigned a foster mentor to be "your person" while you are fostering a dog. You are never alone! We stay in touch daily with our fosters and are always excited to hear what they have learned and see pictures of their progress. When it's time for adoption, you will be asked to be apart of adoption preparations and will have a voice in the selection process.
- As a foster parent, you will be expected to help the dog transition from shelter to a home environment, provide basic obedience training, help socialize him to people and other animals and provide opportunities for him to feel loved and cared for. **Your foster mentor will help you along the way.**
- **You will be expected to get your foster to vet appointments and make sure they get any medications prescribed.** We do help with transportation if needed. Sometimes we have extra events within the DDR community and are planning photo shoots for our dogs, and you would be encouraged to attend with your foster.
- We do our best to deliver a clean dog to a foster home.....sometimes we cant due to time or circumstances. **We will pay for a bath at a local pet washing station as well as a groom after they have had their vaccinations.**
- We don't always have a lot of information on the dogs that come from the shelter, but we **will try to temp test and evaluate what we can prior to them coming to your home.** We ask you to give a new foster 3 days of decompression before determining if he's a good fit for your home. We will move a dog if necessary after that 3 day period.
- **Rescue dogs will all have a period of acclimation.** They don't always trust humans or other dogs, and they all need time to adjust to a new and better life than they have known. The most important thing you can give a rescue dog is TIME and PATIENCE!