



Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California

"Forever homes for all Westies"

FOSTER CARE APPLICATION

The purpose of a foster home is to provide temporary care for homeless Westies in a loving environment until a suitable permanent home is found. The primary reason most Westies are placed into foster care is for rehabilitation of a skin condition. Foster care is a very tough job, but it is a very gratifying one and most of all, a critical one. You will be rewarded with a tremendous sense of satisfaction knowing you made a difference in the life of a wonderful dog.

Please read and carefully complete the foster care provider application. This form is designed to help us and you decide what your limits are as a foster parent, what you are willing to commit to rescue and in which areas you wish to become involved. Please answer the questions to the best of your ability. Please use the back of the form if you need more space for your answers.

Please print this application, complete and send to mailing or e-mail address on last page.

Thank you for your interest in providing foster care to Westies in need.

Part I - Personal Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone (Day) _____ (Evening): _____ Cell _____

E-mail address: _____

Number of adults in household: _____ # Men _____ # Women _____

Number of children in the household: _____ # Boys (ages) _____ Girls (ages) _____

Your employer's name: _____

Employer's address: _____

Days and hours you work outside the home: _____

What type of dwelling do you live in: (Please check/circle appropriate):

House___ Townhouse___ Duplex___ Condominium___ Triplex___ Apartment___

Other: _____

Do you own or rent your dwelling? Own___ Rent___

If you "rent", do you have the landlord's permission to keep a dog? Yes___ No___

Landlord's name: _____ Phone # _____

Landlord's address: _____

Would you be willing to allow us to visit your home? _____

Part II - Environmental Information

How large is your yard? _____ Is it securely fenced? Yes___ No___

If "yes", what type of fence and height: _____

If "no", how do you plan to ensure that the dog receives safe and adequate exercise?

What type of gates? _____ Can children open the gates? Yes___ No___

Do you have a pool or spa? Yes___ No___ If "yes", is it fenced separately? Yes___ No___

If "yes", what kind of fence and height: _____

Are you aware of any dangers that could harm the dog inside the yard? Yes___ No___ If "yes", please explain: _____

Where will the dog(s) sleep? _____

Do you plan to use a crate? Yes___ No___ If "yes", why? _____

If "no", why not? _____

How many hours a day will the dog(s) be alone? _____

Where will the dog(s) stay when alone? _____

If needed, can you isolate the dog(s) ? Yes___ No___ If "yes", how and where will you isolate the dog(s): _____

Part III - Your Pets

Have you ever owned a Westie before? Yes___ No___ If "yes", where did you get your Westie(s)? _____

What happened to your Westie(s)? _____

Do you have any other pets? Yes___ No___

If "yes", are their vaccinations current? Yes___ No___

If "yes", what kind of pets, sex and age? _____

If "no", have you owned other pets before? Yes___ No___

If you have other dogs, have they been aggressive or submissive to other animals? Yes___ No___

If "yes", please explain: _____

How do you think your other pets would react to a rescue dog? _____

Are you prepared to deal with negative reactions on the part of your pets? Yes___ No___

If you have or have had other animals, what health and/or behavior problem(s) did you have with

them? _____

Part IV - Foster Preferences

Why do you want to foster a Westie? _____

How long are you willing to foster a Westie? _____

What type of Westies will you take? (only males, only females, only older dogs, puppy)

Would you be willing to take a dog that did not fit this criteria in an emergency? _____

Are you willing to take Westie mixes? _____

Are you prepared to provide the socialization that is needed for placement? _____

Please let us know in which situations you WILL NOT be able to expose a foster dog to (check/circle all that apply):

- Other dogs Other people Small children Cats Other pets
- Riding in a car Housebreaking Grooming Nail clipping
- Crate training Obedience Training Leash training
- Alone in a fenced yard Alone in a house

What medical considerations (e.g. won't take a dog diagnosed with heartworms, diabetes) will you make in taking a rescue dog:

How many dogs are you willing to foster at once? (Circle) 1 2 3 4+

Are you likely to do any training with the foster dog while in rescue? Yes___ No___ If "yes", what type of training and how much? _____

How will you deal with behavior problems (e.g. aggression, urination) in a foster dog?

Part V -Tough Decisions

Would you be able to handle a dog that after it has been rescued is diagnosed with an illness and

has to be euthanized? Yes___ No___

Are you agreeable to having dogs euthanized because of temperament problems? Yes___ No___

If "no". why not? _____

How would you handle a situation in which a rescue dog bit you/someone else?

Does your family support your desire to aid Westies in rescue? Yes___ No___

Are you willing to work closely with WRAP in making the rescue dog(s) placement? Yes___ No___

Have you emotionally prepared yourself for the sadness that comes when you finally make a placement? Yes___ No___

Part VI -Miscellaneous

Is there anything else that you want to tell us about your family and its suitability to foster a rescue Westie?

How did you find out about us? _____

Any comments or suggestions: _____

Part VII - References

Please list three (2) references that can attest to your suitability as a pet owner, and more specifically, a foster parent in Westie rescue. If you own any pets now, include your Veterinarian and at least one neighbor as references.

Reference #1 Name: _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: (day and evening) _____

Reference #2 Name: _____

Address, City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: (day and evening) _____

I, the undersigned, attest, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is accurate and complete at the time of signing, and I understand that falsely provided information can mean that my application will be terminated.

Signature _____ Date _____

This will greatly aid us in knowing what your limitations are and in what capacity that you will best be suited in rescue. Please be aware that foster help doesn't just end with the placement, nor does keeping the dog in your home constitute all of the needs of rescue. Every individual is suited to a different aspect of rescue. We will work with you to assign you in a capacity where you are comfortable and can make a difference.

Though sometimes it is hard to let go of a rescue dog, we all know that there is another one that could be just as needy, if not more, just around the corner. When you are able to make a successful placement, the pain is all worth it.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Please send the application at your earliest convenience. By mail to:

WRAP of Northern California - Rescue

ATTN: Barbara Mordy

1891 Main St. Santa Clara, CA 95050

If you prefer, scan this application and send via email to: bgmordy@comcast.net

Thank you for completing and submitting this application