

FOSTER HOMES NEEDED

Because some need a little extra help.



To Become a Foster

1. Already be an active volunteer at the SPCA
2. Donate a minimum of 10 hours at shelter
3. Completed Foster orientation
4. Signed Foster Application and Waiver (also note that a separate signed waiver must be signed with each foster pet)

How the Program Works

Shelter staff determines which animals are most in need of foster care. As an approved foster parent, you'll receive emails from the foster team about which animals are waiting to be fostered. When you see an animal that seems like a good match for your family and lifestyle, you simply respond to the email. The foster coordinator will then contact you to provide you with more information and determine if this is a good match. They will also arrange for a meeting and pick up time for you and the foster pet. The shelter will provide you with all medical needs of the foster, leashes, collars, donated toys and blankets, you may also sign out crates. We will support you throughout the entire process. And will be available to address any question and concerns.

Foster Families are Asked to Provide

- A healthy, safe environment
- Pet food
- Transportation to & from SPCA scheduled events (minimum of 2 per month)
- Socialization (family & pet interaction, leash walks)
- Potty training, correcting behavior, etc.



Reasons to Foster

Fostering is a wonderful experience for you and your family - you can feel good knowing you have helped save an animal's life. Even better, you've created space in the shelter to save more lives.

- Dogs/cats that require more socialization than available at the shelter
- Older or senior pets that will be more comfortable in a home environment
- Pets injured or recovering from surgery
- Neglected or abused pets that need tender loving care
- Pets suffering from "shelter stress" in need of a calming home environment
- Pets with colds or special medical needs
- Abandoned mothers with litters

The Foster experience is an option following our Volunteer Orientation. After completion of the mandatory shelter training, if you think you may be able to offer a temporary refuge for a rescued animal, please give us a call today at 269-344-1474 or email us.

For dogs, email the foster team at dogfosters@spcaswmich.org, for cats, contact info@spcaswmich.org.