



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT BEING A DCDR FOSTER PARENT



We strive to match animals to foster homes that will best suit the needs of each of you. Please get familiar with the below information and feel free to contact us for any additional questions.

- A foster home is a 2-4 week commitment on average.
- Some fosters dogs may take longer to find a home if the dog is “less in demand” due to age or health concerns.
- Foster families provide love and food & DCDR is responsible for everything else.
- Vet bills that may arise will be covered by DCDR (except if the bill was due to negligence by the fosters parent(s)).
- Our dogs will come spayed/neutered with up to date shots done & in 100% healthy condition. *If they have an ongoing medical issue that would be thoroughly discussed ahead of time but is rare.*
- Dogs will come with a harness or a collar and & a leash.
- Their training needs may vary but all of our dogs are well socialized.
- Most of our dogs have been living in foster homes in the DR awaiting their flight to Canada, it is a long journey so when they arrive they may need some decompression time. Decompression can take anywhere from 24hrs to 1 week. We ask during this time that you keep the social interaction to a minimum and avoid dog parks & pet stores. We will discuss with you if we believe a certain animal would require a longer decompression time than most.
- If you find the dog is not fitting we will come get the dog within 12 hrs to 72hrs. A foster home does not have to commit to a dog that is not working out for any reason.
- Most dogs come from homes that are outdoor open concept so they may need some help with potty training and leash training.
- Coconut Hounds are smart and often catch on fast.
- Our dogs are not crate trained, but if you would like to borrow a crate and work on crate training we are fine wit that. Dogs must not be left in a crate longer than 5 hours maximum.
- Our main advertising source for finding homes for our pups is through social media. Therefore, we need fosters to continue to provide us with photos and updates when ever possible and by request. We could not save as many dogs in need without you our foster parents.

Fostering for many people is a great way to see if a dog is viable for their families, so IF you fall in love and wish to make one of our dogs a permanent member of your family you will have first dibs! Please let us know if your intention is to find a foster to forever dog and they arrive we will provide you with a week to get to know the pup before advertising them for adoption. However, otherwise, until a deposit is made all dogs remain up for adoption.

THANK YOU so much for opening you home and heart to a DCDR Coconut Hound!



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