

# TARA'S HOUSE ANIMAL RESCUE, INC.

**PO Box 2127**

**Columbia, MD 21045**

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## **FOSTER CONTRACT**

This Foster Contract ("Contract") is entered into this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_20\_\_\_\_, by and between Tara's House Animal Rescue, Inc. ("Tara's House"), a Maryland 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, and the foster applicant and co-applicant (if appropriate) identified below, hereinafter the ("Foster Home"), for the provision of foster care of the pet identified below, beginning on the date of this Contract.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ agree to foster \_\_\_\_\_ (name),  
\_\_\_\_\_ (color) \_\_\_\_\_ (sex),

for Tara's House. To ensure these objectives are met, Tara's House and the Foster Home agree to the following:

1. All information known about this pet's medical history will be given to the Foster Home, along with a rabies tag/certificate when applicable. Occasionally, a pet may have an undiagnosed health problem at the time of fostering. If diagnosis of such a health problem occurs after the date of this Contract, and the Foster Home is unwilling/unable to continue foster care for the pet, he/she will return the pet to Tara's House immediately.
  - This pet's known behaviors have been discussed with the Foster Home; however, an animal's behavior is not completely predictable. Foster Home assumes full responsibility for the care and management of this animal and expressly waives the right to hold Tara's House liable for any behavior problem, damage, or other incident that may occur.
  - This pet will not be kept on leased/rented property where a "NO PETS" policy is in force.
2. Tara's House will absorb the cost of all routine medical care and treatment needed by the animal, including at least yearly medical checkups and vaccinations recommended by a veterinarian, spay/neuter, and preventative heartworm medication. Tara's House will absorb all required emergency care. Foster Home, however, agrees to take pet to specific veterinarian directed by representative of Tara's House. Costs of medical or other care that is not authorized by a representative of Tara's House will be borne by the Foster Home.
  - Administrative costs incurred by Tara's House include an insurance program/general liability insurance policy.

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1. The above pet will be cared for at all times with proper shelter, food and water.
  - To transport the animal for proper veterinary care, which includes, but is not limited to: annual vaccinations for DHLPP, Rabies, Bordatella and regular fecal checks and heartworm checks and preventative. Heartworm preventative must be administered year round. Flea and tick preventative must be administered year round as well.
  - The Foster Home will be held responsible for unapproved expenditures.
  - To provide daily exercise and attention. The pet is to be exercised on a leash or in a fenced yard--never left to roam loose and never chained.
  - The pet will be kept in the house on the grounds of the Foster Home and will not be allowed off-leash in an unfenced area.
  - The pet is to be crate trained, and will not be left unsupervised with other pets or children.
  - If a crate belonging to Tara's House has been loaned to the Foster Home, it must be returned when the Foster Home decides to discontinue fostering. Failure to return the crate will result in a charge of \$100 to the Foster Home.
  - Foster Home is encouraged to affix to the pet an identification tag giving the Foster Home's address and phone number.
  - The pet will be adopted to a permanent home only under the supervision of Tara's House to a home pre-approved by Tara's House. Foster Home agrees to be contacted by the potential adoptive families to inquire about the pet.
  - The Foster Home agrees to provide accurate information to prospective adoptive families if and when requested to do so, and, when convenient, to allow prospective adoptive families to visit the pet at the Foster Home.
  - The Foster Home will contact a Tara's House representative at regular intervals to report on the status of the pet. At minimum, fosters must report to representative of Tara's House at weekly intervals. More frequent reports are encouraged.
  - The Foster Home is welcome to adopt the pet at the regular adoption fee.
  - This pet will not be used for research purposes or as a working animal.

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- The Foster Home agrees to obey all applicable laws regarding custody of animals and to provide pet with a safe collar.
- No SHOCK COLLARS are to be used at any time.
- To allow Tara's House to visit Foster Home to ensure compliance with this Contract.
- To attend adoption events with this pet, with Tara's House.
- The pet will remain the property of Tara's House and will be surrendered immediately upon request to any representative of Tara's House.
- Non-compliance with any of the above provisions is considered a breach of contract, and I give my permission for an agent or representative of Tara's House to remove the pet from my premises, and entry shall not constitute a trespass upon the premises occupied.
- To return this pet to Tara's House in the event that I am no longer able to care for it. The pet will, under NO circumstances, be abandoned, given away, or turned in to any other "animal shelter" or rescue.
- The Foster Home may end this Contract at any time, but **must** give Tara's House at least seven (7) days to make other foster arrangements. Any non-emergency boarding costs incurred during this period are the responsibility of the Foster Home.
- All donations connected with the adoption of the pet(s) will be sent directly to a representative of Tara's House.
- To pay the costs, including attorney's fees, of Tara's House if action must be taken against the Foster Home or his/her representative to enforce any of the terms of this Contract.
- Tara's House is not responsible for any actions of the pet after the date of this Contract.
- The Foster Home accepts responsibility for any and all events that occur in connection with the fostering of a Tara's House pet(s). The Foster Home agrees to release and indemnify Tara's House from any and all claims, known and unknown, now or hereafter, arising in connection with the pet(s). The Foster Home agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Tara's House and its

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members or representatives against any and all claims for any injury or property damage to the adopter or anyone else.

- I have read Tara's House's policies and agree to act in accordance with these policies while I am fostering a Tara's House pet(s).
- I am 25 years of age or older, and fully understand the obligations of this Contract.
- I certify that I own my own home, or have explicit, written permission from my landlord or management company permitting me to foster the pet.
- I certify that the information provided on this form is true and correct.

Foster Information:

Print Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Numbers:

Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Tara's House Foster Manager Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact the following Tara's House representatives should you have any questions or concerns:

Len Singel: len@tarashouse.net

Christina McGlosson-Wilson: christina@tarashouse.net