



CEREDIGION ANIMAL RESCUE & EDUCATION
Charity Reg. No: 1116262

VOLUNTEER FOSTERERS

Would you consider becoming a fosterer?

Dogs that come to us need a lot of tender loving care and understanding. They are often quite upset and traumatised; many are just sad because they have lost someone they love or been abandoned. You will need to be patient and it may not always be easy to gain their trust. There may be another set of dirty footprints in your home or maybe the odd accident on the floor. We may not have a history if the dog is a stray so we rely on our fosterers to find out about the dogs in their care and ensure that dogs are introduced to other animals and new experiences in a controlled and compassionate way. If fosterers have their own animals they need to be able to oversee introductions in a calm and controlled manner. We would ask you to think hard about the size and type of dog which you are able to handle and which will fit in with your own animals so that dogs do not suffer the added stress of being moved from one foster home to another.

We are looking for people who are able to: -

- Offer the animal a safe environment.
- Transport the animal to the vets if required.
- Be prepared to house train a dog if necessary.
- If needed to assess a dog's level of training and, if appropriate and time allows, to undertake some work on the basics such as recall, sit, stay and lead-work using non-force methods.
- Assess the dog within the household – how does it react to visitors, children etc. Is it possessive in any way?
- Assess the dog when out exercising - how does it react to other dogs, traffic etc.
- Use a training crate which we will provide, in certain circumstances.
- Take advice regarding the dog in their care and provide feedback on the progress of the dog.
- Talk to prospective owners to give them information about the dog in their care.

It takes a special person with a big heart to do all of this for a dog which is not their own, but it is our fosterers who give these dogs the best chance of finding the right permanent home and we have a lot of wonderful feedback from the new owners which makes it all worth while.

If, having read the above you are still interested in becoming a fosterer then please contact us on 0845 4630623 or e mail georgina@ceredigionanimalrescue.org.uk

All your expenses will be covered by us.