

## **ADOPTION PROCESS FOR FOSTERS**

Thank you for fostering a dog for Copper's Dream Rescue! Your incredible support makes it possible for us to save these dogs! Here is what you need to know about the adoption process.

- We will copy you on the approval email to potential adopters
- Please review their application and let us know if you have any questions
- The potential adopter should contact you asap to set up an initial meeting. Please check your email and/or phone frequently and respond in a timely manner. It is also OK for you to reach out to them if you prefer
- Please have the first meeting at your earliest convenience (preference is within 48 hours if possible)
- If you do not hear from them or if they are unable to meet within 3-4 days, please let our adoption counselor know
- The initial meeting with the potential adopters should be a phone call, Facetime, or Zoom. The great thing about fostering your pet is that you help them find the perfect family member for them. These virtual options are great during this time.
- Tell them about your foster pet, their personality as you've seen it so far, how they're doing in your home, and any basic information you'd like to share with them that we may have provided when you received your foster
- Ask them any questions you have about their home situation and give them the information that you know for sure. Many will ask if they're good with other dogs, kids, cats, etc. and if you do not know how they would do, you can say that.
- If, after the virtual meeting, they want to meet the dog in person, please make arrangements to do so asap and be sure to maintain social distancing and COVID 19 protocols.
- If you are fostering multiple pups, the applicant can only adopt 1. We do not adopt multiple pups of the same litter to the same home due to Sibling Syndrome.
- If the dog is already altered, they can go home with an adopter at the end of the in person meeting. If not altered the dog will remain with the foster until altered
- Potential adopters are told to bring collar/leash/crate with them to bring their new dog home
- They may purchase the dog's collar and/or leash from the rescue for \$10 each (\$20 for both) if they wish
- Feel free to send your foster dog with their favorite toy, blanket, etc. but please do not give away crates borrowed from Copper's Dream Rescue
- Please contact our adoption counselor as soon as the meeting is over and let her know if the dog was adopted, and, if so whether they took the collar and/or leash
- She will send the adopter a link to pay the adoption fee and finalize the adoption. Once the
  adoption fee is paid, the adopter will receive the dog's contract and medical records and the
  microchip transfer will be initiated