



***Give a dog a chance. Be a foster parent.***

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It's truly our foster home community that rescues these deserving dogs from the usual fate of bull breed dogs in shelters. In foster care, our dogs benefit from being integrated into daily family life, good manners training, and the reassurance a forever home is coming soon. Foster homes give us the benefit of learning more about the dogs we've partnered with Pacific Northwest shelters to rescue.

Our dogs spend at least 2-weeks in foster care. The duration of care varies because sometimes the best home comes along right away and sometimes the right home takes a little longer.

### **Foster Home Responsibilities**

➤ **Daily care**

Just like caring of your own pet, daily care includes feeding, exercise, grooming, and being on the lookout for emerging medical or behavioral issues.

➤ **Safe environment**

From only supervised interactions with other pets and children to never being left unattended in your backyard, you are responsible for ensuring the foster dog is cared for in an environment that is consistently mindful of the dog's well being.

➤ **Love and obedience**

Most dogs land in shelters because they didn't get the love and obedience training they needed to be well-adjusted, happy dogs. As a foster parent, you have the chance to teach this dog that love must be balanced with obedience.

➤ **No off-leash parks**

The dog must always be on leash at all times in public places.

Although many bull breed dogs do fine at dog parks, we do not permit our foster dogs to go to off-leash parks. No exceptions. If the foster dog is involved in a fight off-leash, it gives purpose to breed-specific legislation and affects the rights of others to own these amazing dogs.

➤ **Breed Advocate**

If you've owned a bull breed before, you'll be familiar with this responsibility: One of the unexpected demands of caring for a bull breed dog is the questions you'll be asked when you're in public. From "What kind of dog is that?" to "Isn't that dog dangerous?" seize the opportunity when you can to be a breed advocate. We encourage our foster and forever homes to educate themselves about the breed so they're prepared for the toughest inquiries.

➤ **Meet-and-greet**

When we identify a strong potential adopter, we will notify you to make arrangements for a meet-and-greet. We'll coordinate a best meeting place and will do everything possible to ensure these meetings are scheduled when it's convenient for you. Please note a BullsEye representative will attend all meet-and-greets.

➤ **Contact us first**

Even if it's an emergency, if your foster dog needs to go to the vet, contact us first. This gives us the opportunity to assist in decision-making and helps us leverage the relationships we've developed with local veterinarians for breed knowledgeable care and discounted services.

➤ **Tell us what you think**

You will learn a lot about the dog's behavior, preferences, and personality traits. We will seek your input to help us create an online doggie profile to attract adopters, and the information you provide will help us identify the best candidates for the dog.

You are critical to the success of our rescue efforts. Let us know what we can do to ensure your foster experience is rewarding and let us know if you're experiencing difficulties. We are here to support you.

What YOU Provide	What BULLSEYE Provides	What BULLSEYE does not cover
Crate for training, sleeping.	Leash, collar, identification tag.	Damage caused by the dog to your property, pets, family members, or neighbor's property, pets, or family members.
Easy access to secure play area.	Medical expenses for pre-existing conditions (spay/neuter, shots, skin treatments, and any pre-existing injuries).	Vet visits or any medical expenses that you determine necessary without getting prior approval from BullsEye Dog Rescue.
Food, toys, bones, bedding, etc.	Ready advice via phone and e-mail.	Reimbursement for extraneous items such as toenail clipping, baths, dog sprays, treats, toys, and other optional items not directly related to the dog's intrinsic healthcare needs.

**Apply to be a Foster Home**

If you're interested in becoming a BullsEye foster home, please send us an email ([info@bullseyerescue.org](mailto:info@bullseyerescue.org)) and:

- Tell us about yourself and your dwelling
- Tell us about your family (including pets)
- Tell us why you're interested in fostering for BullsEye