

MCAS Fostering Introduction

Three things you need to know

(and by the way, thank you for fostering!)

1 Support

Remember, as a foster parent at MCAS you are not alone. MCAS volunteers have set up a network for foster parents to exchange ideas, ask questions or just share success stories.

By joining the MCAS Foster Yahoo Group, you will become a part of an online community dedicated to helping you every step of the way. Email the group for quick advice or share tips with others - or check out the online content for tips. Sign up at <http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/MCAS-PETS>. Once there, access our file library which includes general adoption information and more.

Additionally, you may have a quick question that might be covered in our online FAQ. Visit www.mcaspets.org, click on "Lend a Paw" and scroll down for a link to the foster FAQ.

Quick Foster Resources

MCAS Foster Yahoo Group

<http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/MCAS-PETS>

Off-Site Adoption Calendar

<http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/MCAS-PETS/cal>

Foster FAQ

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MCAS Foster Coordinator - Jane Holman

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MCAS Vet-Tech Hours

Monday - Friday: 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Saturday and Sunday: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

MCAS facebook pages (might as well join!)

www.facebook.com/MCASTX
www.facebook.com/MCASCATS

2 Care

Young puppies and kittens or animals recovering from surgery may need additional medical attention. Other animals may develop signs of an illness while in your care. MCAS will provide vet care for you fosters and have convenient, daily hours just for you.

Bring sick animals to the shelter for vet tech care any day of the week, (even Saturday and Sunday!):

Monday - Friday: 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Saturday and Sunday: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

When fostering dogs and cats, especially babies, it's crucial to bring them in during the first available vet tech hour if the pet acts lethargic, has diarrhea, is vomiting, etc. Don't wait a few days to see if it clears up: some illnesses can cause death in little ones even in just 24 hours.

3 Adoptions

MCAS has many off-site adoption events that you can attend with your foster, should you want to personally help with finding a home. What better way for a potential adopter to learn about your foster than by hearing what you have to say after getting to know the pet!

Off-site adoption events will be listed under the **Calendar section in the MCAS-PETS Yahoo group**. Contact the assigned coordinator to reserve your place in advance. Due to spacing and the number of pets allowed at each off-site, arrangements to bring you foster must be made before the event.

Other foster parents choose to hand over animals to the shelter when it's time for adoption. This option will depend on your foster's age, health and temperament, so be sure to discuss this with your foster coordinator before selecting an animal to foster.



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