Benefits of Being a Foster Care Provider

Providing foster care for an animal in need is a wonderful experience for you and your family because you are directly contributing to the welfare of animals. Foster care providers offer valuable insight into the animals' temperament and needs and help us make a better adoption for these animals. Wags and purrs are a wonderful reward for your efforts!

In addition, fostering provides the opportunity for individuals that cannot take on a permanent relationship with an animal due to their travel schedule, time limitations, or personal responsibilities to enjoy giving care, attention, and love to an animal that desperately needs help!

Fill out an online application today on our website at:

http://www.forgottenfelines.org/getinvolved/volunteer/foster-cats/

...or call and leave a message at: 610-760-9009 ext. 3.

Health Standards

Before entering a foster home, all adult cats will be FELV/FIV tested and vaccinated against distemper and rabies. If health reasons preclude vaccinations, you will be notified. Kittens may not have received any vaccinations depending on their condition when they were placed into foster care. They must be kept separate from other animals in your home for their protection as well as the protection of your own pets. For their safety, kittens should be confined to one room that has been "kitten-proofed" for the safety of the kittens when unsupervised.

Foster care providers should maintain sanitary conditions for their own health and the health of the animals in their care. We recommend cleaning blankets, linens, and miscellaneous foster supplies with a bleach/water solution and separate from household laundry. Good personal hygiene is important in the prevention of disease transmission!







FOSTER CARE



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About Our Shelter

Forgotten Felines and Fidos, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, all volunteer, no kill animal shelter located in Germansville, PA. We have been serving the Lehigh Valley and surrounding areas since 1994. We specialize in adoptions, low-cost spay/neuter clinics, community outreach and TNR support.

Our Mission

The mission of Forgotten Felines and Fidos is to reduce the number of homeless, unwanted cats by offering a low-cost spay/neuter program and by working together with the community to help control the feline population. We provide a supportive environment for all the cats at our shelter until they can be matched with their forever home, or shelter them for the rest of their lives, if necessary. In addition, we provide medical care for the sick and injured in a nurturing environment. We are committed to educating feral colony caretakers and the general public on the humane treatment of feral cats. We offer a trap neuter release (TNR) program to encourage spaying/neutering and return to their natural habitat.

FOSTER CARE, SAVES LIVES!

What is Foster Care?

Our foster care program is an essential part of Forgotten Felines and Fidos. Foster homes enable us to take in animals that are not currently able to be adopted due to the need for more socialization or lack of available space at the shelter. Fostering commitments can be as little as a few days or several months.

What's Involved?

FFF provides new foster homes with a foster manual which offers guidance in caring for cats and kittens. Basic supplies (food, litter, litter pans, general supplies, medications, supplements)are available through the shelter, but foster homes may choose to provide such supplies as a donation to the shelter. Of course, there will be times when you are unavailable; however, we ask that you make a commitment to foster whenever reasonably possible.



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<u>As a foster care provider, you</u> <u>are expected to provide:</u>

- Shelter within your home.
- Sufficient food (age appropriate & nutritionally sound) as recommended by FFF.
- Clean, fresh water at all times.
- Kind and careful treatment, includes supervision of children interacting with animals.
- Socialization with you and other people
- Indoor living only.
- Transportation of kittens/cats to shelter for doctor appointments on Friday mornings, as needed.

Transportation of kittens/cats to shelter for adoption appointments, usually on Saturday afternoons, as needed.

Becoming a Foster Care Provider

Individuals interested in becoming a foster care provider are requested to complete the Foster Care Application on our website and send it to us. Once received, individuals are contacted, and a home visit & interview is scheduled. Should an individual be approved as a foster care provider, you'll be contacted when an animal(s) needs foster care.