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Foster Care Application

Thanks for your interest in the LMAS Foster Care Program! Please answer the questions below. All fields are required.

Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Address: _____ Apt # _____ Alternate Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Driver's License #: _____ Issuing State: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Email: _____

Do You: Own Rent Live With Family

House Apartment Condo Duplex Mobile Home

Landlord/Management Company: _____ Phone: _____

Family Member Who Owns The Home: _____ Phone: _____

Have you talked to your landlord about having a pet? _____

Are there children under 10 years old that live in the home or visit frequently? _____ If so, what ages? _____

Is anyone in the household allergic to pets? _____

Please list any animals currently living at your residence. Please check here if you have more than these grids can accommodate

Name and breed of pet	Age	Spayed or Neutered?	Where is this pet kept?	Current on vaccinations?	When were they last seen by your veterinarian?

Please list any animals who have lived at your residence in the past five years

Name and breed of pet	Age	Spayed/ Neutered?	Where was this pet kept?	Current on vaccinations?	Why is this pet no longer owned?

Foster Care Opportunities and Preferences

What are you interested in fostering?

Dog Foster Care (please select <u>at least</u> one option)	✓
Short-term (awaiting rescue transport, recovering from surgery, etc. Usually 2 weeks-1 month)	
Behavioral issues (dogs not suitable for “average” adopters who may need some help with obedience training or other behavioral issues. Can be indefinite, but at least until they are rehabilitated)	
Medical issues (may be short-term or long-term, but fosters need to be okay with administering treatments, trips to our vet, etc.)	
Pregnant or nursing mothers with puppies (usually a 1-3 month commitment)	
Weaned puppies not big enough for adoption (usually a 2 week-2 month commitment)	
Unweaned (bottle-fed) puppies without a mother (usually a 1-3 month commitment)	
Long-term Foster (for dogs who do not do well in a shelter or for other reasons. Often indefinite, until the dog can be adopted out from your home)	

Cat Foster Care (please select <u>at least</u> one option)	✓
Short-term (awaiting rescue transport, recovering from surgery, etc. Usually 2 weeks-1 month)	
Behavioral issues (cats not suitable for “average” adopters who may need some help with socialization or other behavioral issues, can be indefinite, but at least until they are rehabilitated)	
Medical issues (may be short-term or long-term, but fosters need to be okay with daily treatments, trips to our vet, etc.)	
Pregnant or nursing mothers with kittens (usually a 1-3 month commitment)	
Weaned kittens not big enough for adoption (usually a 2 week-2 month commitment)	
Unweaned (bottle-fed) kittens without a mother (usually a 1-3 month commitment)	
Long-term Foster (for cats who do not do well in a shelter or for other reasons. Often indefinite, until the cat can be adopted out from your home)	

Would you be interested in fostering other species (rabbits, livestock, birds, reptiles, etc.)? If so, what other species can you accommodate?

Please list any requirements, special requests or anything else that might need to be considered (cat who loves to play with/take care of kittens, dog who is great at socializing shy animals, dog/cat who doesn't like other animals, medical conditions that may affect caring for animals, etc.)

General Questions

Why do you want to become a foster for LMAS?

Have you fostered for any other organization in the past? Do you currently foster for them? Do you plan to foster for any other organizations while you have LMAS foster animals? Please provide a contact for the organization(s) as a reference.

Is everyone in the household comfortable having foster animals in the home?

What is your daily schedule like? (full- or part-time job, in school, flexible commitments, work from home, very busy/tight schedule, etc.)

Where will your foster animal be kept? (indoors, crated while away, confined to one room, etc.)
Please describe the environment the animals will be kept in the majority of the time.

How many hours per day will the foster animal need to be alone? Are you able to bring animals to work or come home during the day, if needed?

What resources are you able to provide? (please circle)	Fenced-in yard (dog only)
Food	Transportation to and from shelter for vet appointments
Vet care (LMAS provides routine vet care)	Other _____
General supplies (bowls, bedding, toys, etc)	
Crate	
Litter (cat only)	(LMAS can provide some resources, based on donations)

General Questions

How would you describe your level of experience and comfort caring for sick, injured or infant animals? If your experience is limited, are you interested in learning more about different methods for treatment and care?

Have you ever provided care or treatment for sick, injured or infant animals? If yes, please briefly describe your experience.

Are you able to completely isolate the animal in your home? If not, what level of isolation can you provide?

Have you had any major diseases in your household in the last 2 years? i.e. Parvo, Distemper, Ringworm, Feline Leukemia, FIV, etc. If so, what type and when?

Have you ever bottle-raised an animal before? If yes, please describe the general process. If no, would you be interested in learning?

Are you comfortable providing basic and minor health care (oral and topical medications, bathing, flea/tick treatment, etc.)? If you do not know how, we are happy to train you.

In order to qualify to be an Louisville Metro Animal Services (LMAS) Foster, you must:

- be at least 18 years of age
 - be a Jefferson County resident
 - have your own, reliable transportation
 - have a reliable way to stay in contact with LMAS for the duration of the foster's stay
 - keep all current animals (owned or otherwise) up-to-date on vaccinations and Jefferson County Licensing and follow all Jefferson County and LMAS animal ordinances
 - comply with all LMAS Foster Policy and Adoption Policy and Procedures
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By submitting this application, I understand that, if approved, I agree to the following terms and conditions:

- I agree to provide proper food, water, shelter, socialization and attention to the foster animal.
- I understand that LMAS provides routine vet care and that sometimes emergency or specialty vet care may not be covered.
- I agree to obtain consent from LMAS Veterinary Staff before seeing a private vet outside of the organization and that all expenses incurred will be at my own expense. I will also be responsible for delivering any medical records to LMAS for documentation of the foster animal.
- I agree, in the event of a foster animal passing, to notify LMAS immediately and bring the body for disposal.
- I agree to allow LMAS into my house to assess the condition of any owned or foster animals at any time.
- I agree to keep the animal in my care and under my supervision at all times. At no time will the animal be left with any other individual besides me or an LMAS staff member without LMAS permission first.
- If I wish to adopt my foster animal, I understand I must sign an adoption contract and comply with all terms and conditions required by LMAS to finalize the adoption.
- I understand sharing of any photography or videos of my foster animals must be approved by LMAS staff before distribution.
- I agree to transport the animal to an LMAS facility for vaccinations, surgery, etc. as scheduled by LMAS staff.
- I agree to return the foster pet to LMAS if I cannot keep the pet, for any reason, or at the request of LMAS at any time.
- I agree to follow all other LMAS policies and procedures regarding foster care, volunteering or adoption.
- I understand that animals in the foster program can be unpredictable and that LMAS cannot guarantee the condition of any animal, including age, health, temperament, breed, nor behavior or other factors that an animal with an unknown history may present. I acknowledge that LMAS does not make any warranty in this regard. I hereby agree to accept the animal to foster as is, and assume all risks and responsibilities associated with fostering of the animal, including bites and other behaviors. I hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless Metro Animal Services and the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government, its directors, officers, volunteers, agents, servants, and employees from any claim, cause of action or liability of any sort or nature, whether known or unknown, arising out of or in connection with this animal while in my possession in the fostering program.

I have read the above stated application carefully and certify that the information I have given is accurate and true. I understand that any misrepresentation of the above information authorizes LMAS to deny application and/or reclaim the foster pet that is in my home.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

Staff Only:

Name of Applicant & PID	
Applicant reviewed by	
Application Status (circle)	Approved Pending Denied
Foster Coordinator Signature	
Management Signature	

Comments: