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# CAT

We're thrilled you're interested in the program! To apply you must:  
 • Be at least 21 years of age • Have valid identification • Have consent of entire household and landlord • Understand that we may deny applications or suggest a different pet.

# 2009 HOLIDAY FOSTER APPLICATION



**Is there a specific pet you want to Foster:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Today's Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you first hear about the holiday foster care program?

- Shelter's website  
  Petfinder.com  
  Just stopped by the shelter  
  Friend/family  
  Shelter newsletter or flyer  
  KC Star  
 Oak Park Mall  
  Special event  
  FOX4 Morning News  
  KMBC9 Pet Segment  
  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## You and Your Household

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live in a:  
 Single-family home  
 Mobile home  
 Duplex  
 Townhouse or condo  
 Apartment

Do you:  
 Rent  
 Own  
 Rent-to-own  
 Live at relatives'/friends' home

If you do not own, list: Landlord/property owner's name \_\_\_\_\_ Landlord phone # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Please list names and ages of ALL adults & children in household: \_\_\_\_\_

Does anyone in household have allergies to animals?  
 Yes- Cats  
 Yes- Dogs  
 No  
 unsure

Who is your current veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever fostered before?  
 Yes  
 No

What type(s) of pets are you interested in fostering?  
 Kitten  
 Juvenile Cat  
 Adult Cat  
 Senior Cat

Please provide 3 references we can contact if needed. The references cannot be family members.

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

What pet experience do you have? \_\_\_\_\_

## Pet History: please list all pets you have owned in the last 5 years, those you currently & no longer own.

Does this pet currently live with you?	Breed	Sex	Age	Spayed/Neutered	Up to date w/ vaccines?	Kept in/out?
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PLEASE COMPLETE OTHER SIDE

## The Pet's Routine

Your foster cat:

- Will be exclusively indoors
- Will be outdoors
- Will enjoy being outside while I'm with him/her
- Will come & go independently
- Will enjoy living in our barn, workshop, or garage

If you go to work/dinner/etc where will the cat stay?

\_\_\_\_\_

When you ARE home, where will the cat usually be?

\_\_\_\_\_

Which method(s) will you use to ensure your cat will use the litter box? *Check all that apply*

- Show cat where box is     Watch cat & take to box if needed
- Rub cat's nose in accidents     Be consistent with type of litter
- Scold cat when he/she has an accident     Keep box clean
- Confine cat to a smaller area with box for the first few days
- Have 1 litter box per cat plus 1 extra & place in quiet locations
- If problems arise, contact Animal Haven as soon as possible
- No need—cat is already trained
- Not applicable—cat will be outdoors or in barn

## Cat Behavior

How will you avoid or correct unwanted (but normal) behaviors like scratching, play biting, or climbing?

- Distract with a noise     Remove cat from tempting situations
- Spray cat with squirt gun     Scold cat after bad behavior
- Reward good behaviors     Keep cat busy with interactive toys
- Use deterrents (like aluminum foil, scat mats, or sprays)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have children or are there children who visit your home?     Yes     No

How will you introduce the cat to children/strangers? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Cats are as individual as people. How much time do you expect this pet will need to adjust to your home?

None     A couple days     A week     2-3 weeks     A month

What is it about this cat that makes him/her a good match for your household? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please read the following statements about the "A Dog Named Christmas" Foster Care Program and initial next to them to indicate that you understand and agree to abide by them if accepted into the program.

\_\_\_\_\_ Your foster cat may not be litter-trained and kittens can be messy. Like many cats, your foster cat may scratch on furniture, clothing, or other objects. You are comfortable working with this behavior. Animal Haven is not responsible for any damage.

\_\_\_\_\_ You agree to keep your foster cat(s) inside your home at all times.

\_\_\_\_\_ You will not take your foster animal to a veterinarian unless directed to do so by Animal Haven. Animal Haven will not reimburse foster volunteers for any unapproved veterinary expenses.

\_\_\_\_\_ There is some risk to your own animals, especially if your foster animals are not kept separate. You understand that Animal Haven is not responsible for your own pet's medical treatment.

\_\_\_\_\_ Animal Haven is the legal guardian of your foster animal. You understand Animal Haven has the final authority in regards to the animal's adoption, treatment, or disposition. You will not leave your foster animal in the care of another person, including potential adopters, without approval.

As a foster parent in the "A Dog Named Christmas" Foster Care Program, you agree to care for your assigned pet for the agreed upon time period. Based on the answers to your application, Animal Haven will suggest pets that would do well in your home. If you decide you want to adopt your foster pet, you will have priority and qualify for a special, reduced price adoption.

Upon assignment of a foster pet, an Animal Haven representative will contact you to schedule a family visit to the shelter. We want to make sure your foster pet is the best match possible.

**By signing this form you agree to the above statements and certify that the answers given above are honest and the application has been completed to the best of your ability. Completion of this application does not guarantee acceptance into the "A Dog Named Christmas" Foster Care Program.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_