



TRUE HEART MINPIN RESCUE, INC. FOSTER-TO-ADOPT CONTRACT

True Heart's Foster-to-Adopt Program was created to place unaltered puppies into approved forever homes in a foster situation prior to adoption. The Foster-to-Adopt Program allows approved applicants to take an unaltered puppy into their home until the animal is old enough or healthy enough to be spay/neutered by a licensed veterinarian. If the Foster-to-Adopt family is accepted, they will foster the dog until it is altered then the adoption contract will be finalized. If the Foster-to-Adopt family decides not to adopt, they must still provide foster care until the best forever home has been found for their foster dog(s).

In order to be accepted into this program, Foster-to-Adopt applicants must have an approved pre adoption application and home visit with True Heart MinPin Rescue, Inc. In addition, applicants must sign the Foster to Adopt Agreement which requires compliance with all of the Foster-to-Adopt terms and conditions, including the adoption procedures. You must be over 21 years of age to foster to adopt or adopt from True Heart MinPin Rescue, Inc.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FOSTER TO ADOPT HOME FOR UNALTERED ANIMALS

1. The foster to adopt home (here in referred to as "foster home") must sign and return the Foster-To-Adopt Agreement.
2. The foster home is responsible for transporting the dog to all necessary vet appointments. The foster home must follow True Heart's veterinary care requirements. To receive reimbursement of any normal or bona-fide emergency vet costs, the foster home must submit a detailed Veterinarian Care Reimbursement Form (your State Coordinator has this form), and the detailed veterinarian receipt. True Heart will be notified and make appointments to have a puppy spayed/neutered, and the procedure will be performed by a licensed veterinarian.
3. The foster home will provide a safe and loving home environment and will socialize them to humans and other dogs. *Puppies are not to be excessively crated (not more than 6 hours in a 24 hour period).*
4. It is the foster home's responsibility to evaluate the foster dog's activity level, temperament and personality traits to ensure their home is the best home for the dog.
5. The foster home will provide basic training or reinforcement of proper house manners or obedience skills. This training and reinforcement will be done only by positive reinforcement. At no time will the foster to adopt home use punishment as a training tool. The foster home must understand that teaching/training puppies to go outside/potty is a slow consistent procedure and that accidents can happen every day for quite some time.
5. The foster-to-adopt home must provide a monthly heartworm preventative and flea/tick medicine through their selected veterinarian.

6. The foster home will ensure the dog wears the True Heart ID tag and microchip tag (if chipped) at all times.

TRUE HEART'S RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE FOSTER TO ADOPT HOME

1. True Heart will provide a complete copy of all medical records and evaluations to the foster home if available at the time they receive the dog or later after all medical bills are turned in and the adoption papers are signed.

2. True Heart will pay for routine medical care if it is needed (DHPP and rabies vaccinations, blood test for heartworm or spay/neuter). Any vet expense beyond routine care must be pre-approved by True Heart's Board of Directors. Any unapproved vet expenses, other than a bona fide emergency, will not be covered by True Heart and will be the responsibility of the foster home.

3. True Heart will maintain contact and provide counseling and advice to the Foster to Adopt family.

ADOPTING YOUR FOSTER DOG TO ANOTHER HOME

Should you choose not to finalize the adoption and place your Foster to Adopt Puppy in another home, you will be responsible for continuing to foster the dog and fulfilling all the requirements of a Foster Care Provider.

1. The foster home will provide a write-up and new photo of their foster dog and send it to dena@trueheartminpinrescue.org who will post it on the Available Dogs page.

2. You will be one of the contact people for any approved applicant interested in adopting your foster to adopt puppy. Since you have interacted directly with your foster puppy, True Heart will rely on your help to evaluate the prospective adoptive family and the home best suited for your foster dog. You will also help make the decision for placement with a new adoptive family, but it must be the best home, not just the first or any home for the dog.

3. As foster care provider, you must accurately complete and provide all of the necessary paperwork for the adoption process. True Heart will depend on you to ensure copies of all documents and records in your possession are given back to True Heart MinPin Rescue to provide to the adopter.

4. The foster care provider should follow-up with the new adopted family several times to ensure the dog and new family is adjusting well.

TRUE HEART FOSTER TO ADOPT AGREEMENT

Foster to Adopt dogs remain the property of True Heart. I/we understand foster dogs must be immediately surrendered upon request from an authorized True Heart Representative.

If it is necessary for True Heart to take legal action to recover a foster to adopt dog(s) or otherwise enforce provisions in this agreement, I/we will pay all court costs and legal fees incurred.

I/we will provide our foster to adopt dog(s) with adequate food, fresh water, exercise, a healthy living environment and positive reinforcement.

I/we understand foster to adopt dog(s) will not be chained outside or on an outside tie-out at any time, and will not be transported in the back of an open truck or similar vehicle. Nor will they wear shock collars or any comparable device.

At no time will a foster to adopt dog(s) be allowed to run free. A foster to adopt dog(s) will be allowed off lead only in a fenced yard or secured area and while under supervision.

A foster to adopt dog(s) will never be allowed to remain outside throughout the night, or kept outside when I/we are not at home.

It is understood that all foster to adopt dog(s) will live inside the Foster Home and not with a family member, friend, neighbor or any other person who is not an authorized True Heart foster care provider.

If a foster to adopt dog(s) is stolen or lost I/we will immediately notify a True Heart Board Member at: 859-625-4859 (Cheryl/KY), 606-308-5282 (Kim/KY) or 206-338-2100 (Dena/MI).

Foster to adopt dog(s) must never be given to any other party for any reason or be transferred to another home unless the True Heart Board first approves such a transfer or move.

UNALTERED PUPPIES ONLY

I/we will observe and evaluate the temperament, personality and activity level of each foster to adopt puppy(s) for two weeks from the date the dog(s) is received into the foster home to determine if the foster to adopt dog(s) is the right dog(s) for my home. After two weeks, I will contact a True Heart Board Member and tell them of my decision whether or not to adopt the dog. If I/we decide to adopt I/we will sign adoption papers after the foster has been altered.

Should I/we decide to place the dog up for adoption, I/we agree to continue to foster the dog and fulfill all the requirements of a regular Foster Home. I/we will provide a picture and write-up on the dog(s) to allow them to be placed on the True Heart's dogs available for adoption page.

Foster dogs will be adopted only into pre-approved homes under the supervision of True Heart. Regularly scheduled follow-up contacts will be made by the foster care providers as well as True Heart with the adoptive homes to ensure the success of the placement and well being of the dog. Adoptive homes must be accorded courtesy, respect and privacy at all times. Excessive, casual or aggressive contacts are not allowed.

1. If any provision of this agreement is or becomes unenforceable, or void by force or operation of law, the other provisions shall remain in effect, valid and enforceable.
2. Every effort will be made to provide as much information as possible to the Foster to Adopt Homes concerning foster dogs. True Heart does not warrant any dog(s) regarding medical status, behavior, disposition or temperament.
3. Each and every clause, in entirety, has been read and understood by me/us. By signing this document I/we agree to adhere to the terms and conditions. I/we affirm I/we have never been charged with animal cruelty.

4. I/we accept responsibility for any and all events that occur in connection with the fostering of a rescued dog. I/we agree to release and indemnify True Heart from any and all claims, known and unknown, now and hereafter, arising in connection with any dog provided by True Heart MinPin Rescue Inc.

PRINTED NAME(s): Gary Rowe

SIGNED NAME(S): _____

I/We agree to abide by the conditions and requirements of a True Heart Foster to Adopt Home.

DATE: Jan 25, 2009

ADDRESS: 123 Any Road

CITY, STATE, ZIP: Anytown, NY 45623

PHONE/S: 123-456-789

Home: 987-654-3210

Cell: 345-678-9012

Fax: 654-321-0987

THMPR REPRESENTATIVE PRINTED NAME: Suzy Trueheart

THMPR REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE: _____

ADOPTION DEPOSIT/DONATION - \$ _____ (reimbursable until adoption is finalized)
NAME OF FOSTER DOG - _____
TRUE HEART ID TAG - _____
BREED OF DOG - _____
AGE - _____ GENDER - _____
DESCRIPTION OF DOG - _____

Please give this form to your True Heart Representative with your payment (cash, money order, or cashiers check made out to True Heart MinPin Rescue, Inc.), or mail to:

Cheryl Higdon, President
THMPR, Inc.
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Richmond, KY 40476-1686

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