

**FOSTER PARENT  
INFORMATION AND  
APPLICATION FORM**



**Thank you very much for your interest in becoming a foster parent for the Coaldale & Regional Pet and Animal Wellness Society! Many dogs are abandoned or, for varying reasons, unable to stay in their current home situations. Offering dogs a foster home can give them a second chance at life.**

The Coaldale & Regional Pet and Animal Wellness Society was formed to be a multi-faceted resource for pet owners of southern Alberta. The goal of the society is to eventually be a hub for the pet owners of southern Alberta to come to for various purposes such as a food bank, foster/adoption facility, stray animal facility, and be a main center for pet resource avenues such as licensing, responsible pet ownership information, and proper animal welfare education.

As our organization is still in it's early stages and lacks a physical facility to house multiple stray or abandoned dogs long-term, we rely on foster parents like you to provide temporary care.

By welcoming a stray or abandoned dog into your home, you offer them love and security they may not otherwise experience if left on their own.

Dogs who are found within the Town of Coaldale and surrounding neighboring counties/municipalities will be placed with a foster family for 72 hours while the Coaldale Municipal Bylaw searches for the owner. After this period, if the dog remains unclaimed, it is considered abandoned and becomes the property of the Town of Coaldale and will continue to stay with the foster family until permanent adoption can be arranged.

The length of time a dog stays in foster care before finding a permanent home can vary and there is no guaranteed timeline. During the dog's stay with you, you'll be responsible for their health and safety, treating it as if it were your own pet. While the Town of Coaldale covers necessary expenses, you'll handle safe transportation and maintain regular communication with PAWS representatives or Bylaw officials regarding the dog's status.

Fostering a dog can be difficult, especially when dealing with a very sick animal or one that has a history of abuse and/or neglect. There may be circumstances in which medical procedures or specialized handling may be required for the proper care and protection of the animal as well as the foster family. Rest assured that our society and Bylaw officials work closely with veterinary professionals as well as reputable trainers and other specialists to ensure the best course of action and decision-making is made for the health, welfare and safety of the animal.

Please ensure to read this application form carefully and answer all questions to the best of your knowledge and ability. Once submitted, your application will be reviewed by the society and the information will be kept for reference, but only accessible to the Board of Directors and Bylaw officials. You will be contacted if your application has been approved or denied by the society and further information will be provided as needed.

All applications and attached documents/additional information must be submitted in full to [coaldaleregionalpaws@gmail.com](mailto:coaldaleregionalpaws@gmail.com).

Do not hesitate to reach out at any time for any questions or clarifications.

Thank you for your interest!

# Coaldale & Regional Pet and Animal Wellness Society



## Foster Parent Application Form

Thank you for your interest in becoming a foster parent with the Coaldale & Regional Pet and Animal Wellness (PAW) Society!

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternative Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email will be the primary method of communication from the society. If you do not check email regularly, please tell us the best way to get in touch with you:

PHONE CALL      TEXT      EMAIL      Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (include postal code):  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you at least 18 years of age or older? Please circle one:**

YES      NO

**Have you (the primary foster parent) completed a Criminal Record Check? Please circle one:**

YES (Please attach a copy)      NO (Please request a CRC Form)

**Tell us why you are interested in fostering:**

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## HOUSEHOLD DETAILS

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### Household Details:

#### Adult (A)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Adult (B)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Adult (C)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

If there are more adults, please attach their information on a separate sheet.

**Are all adults in the home aware of and agree to your intent to foster?**

YES            NO

**How many children (under the age of 18) are in the home? Please specify their ages.**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Have you or anyone in your household ever been a person of interest in or charged in a crime against animals in North America?**

YES            NO

If yes, please provide detailed information about the situation and results on a separate sheet.

**Have you or anyone in your household ever been a person of interest in or charged in a crime within North America?**

YES            NO

If yes, please provide detailed information about the situation and results on a separate sheet.

**What is the activity level in your home?**

- Busy/Noisy
- Moderate Comings/Goings
- Quiet with Occasional Guests

**Do you rent or own your home?**

RENT          OWN

**What is your household setting?**

RURAL          CITY/TOWN

**What type of building do you reside in?**

- Apartment
- Condominium
- Townhouse
- Detached House
- Other:

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**If you live in a location that has a homeowner's association or condominium board (or something similar), are there any restrictions on animals you can bring in? Please list all that apply.**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Does your residence have a fenced yard?**

YES          NO

**Are you currently working with any other rescue society or animal care program in which you have agreed to foster pets?**

YES          NO

If yes, please list the organization: \_\_\_\_\_

**Are there any other animals currently in the home?**

YES          NO

**If yes, please list all animals currently in your home (fostered or owned). Include species, age, gender, neuter/spayed, vaccination status and if they have been exposed to, treated for or recovered from any infectious diseases. Please use a separate sheet if required.**

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Please note that all pets within the home are required to be updated on vaccines and proof of medical status may be requested.

**What is your primary method of transportation?**

- Personal Vehicle
- Public Transportation
- Taxi/Uber
- Car Pool
- Friend/Family Vehicle

**Are you willing to transport your foster to various appointments as needed? (Such as the vet, grooming, training etc.)**

YES                      NO

**Have you ever surrendered or given away any animals?**

YES                      NO

**Do you have experience fostering?**

YES                      NO

**If yes, please provide details on which types of animals and what organization you fostered through. Please use a separate sheet if required.**

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## **FOSTERING DETAILS**

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The Town of Coaldale does not currently have any bylaws for cats, pocket pets or exotics. Therefore, only dogs will be fostered within the society at this time.

**Do you have certain breeds you will not consider for foster care?**

YES            NO

If yes, please let us know which breeds you will not consider for foster care in your home:

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I am comfortable with fostering the following dogs (please check all that apply):

- All breeds of dogs
- Adults under 50lbs (small dogs)
- Adults between 50-100lbs (medium dogs)
- Adults over 100lbs (large dogs)
- Male Dogs
- Female Dogs
- Intact dogs
- Bottle fed puppies
- Non-bottle fed puppies
- Pregnant females
- Mom with puppies
- Dogs under 7 years of age
- Dogs over 7 years of age
- Dogs with separation anxiety
- Dogs with human reactivity
- Dogs with dog reactivity
- High energy dogs (lots of walks/interaction/attention required)
- Dogs with medical concerns (i.e. diabetes, allergies etc.)
- Other:

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**We cannot guarantee a dog to be housebroken upon foster placement. Are you willing to and equipped to train with love and patience?**

YES            NO

**Have you had any experience with an emotionally or physically abused/neglected animal?**

YES            NO

**How many hours per day will your foster be left alone?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you have space to house your foster separately from resident pets?**

YES            NO

**Please explain where you plan to house your foster when you or someone is not home (the animal is alone):**

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**What are your plans to meet the exercise needs of your foster? Please list any parks you frequent, hiking trails you go on, how many walks a day you can provide with approximate duration, or any activities you can perform such as agility.**

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**How quickly are you able to make arrangements to house a foster dog?**

IMMEDIATELY                      I NEED TIME

If you need time, please specify how much time you need:

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**Do you have a maximum amount of time you would be willing to foster a dog?**

YES                      NO

If yes, please explain:

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**While it is possible to rehabilitate most animals that are fostered, there may be occasions when a decision to euthanize is made. Please describe your concerns, philosophes and beliefs to humane euthanasia. Please explain your ability to cope if such a decision is made for your foster animal:**

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**Do you authorize an inspection of your home prior to accepting a foster pet?**

YES                      NO



## **APPLICANT WAIVER, INDEMNITY AND CONSENT**

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As a potential foster parent with Coaldale & Regional PAW Society, I, the undersigned, agree to and acknowledge the following:

- To conduct myself in a courteous and professional manner as a foster parent and representative of Coaldale & Regional PAWS.
- Treat all animals with the highest respect and care.
- To follow all PAWS policies, procedures and any instructions given to me relating to my foster care duties.
- To maintain standards of confidentiality and privacy of any and all participant information, as well as society information. This includes the identity and information of all those who surrender pets.
- That I am volunteering myself and my home to Coaldale & Regional PAWS on a volunteer basis, without pay or compensation and without medical or workers' compensation insurance. I will conduct myself in a safe and responsible manner so as to ensure my safety, the safety of others and the animals.
- That the Coaldale & Regional PAWS can contact my emergency contact on this application and seek medical care in case of accident, injury or illness.
- That there are inherent risks and dangers in handling animals, and I freely assume and fully accept these risks.
- That Coaldale & Regional PAWS strongly recommends that I keep current with my tetanus and rabies immunizations and understand all inoculations, medical care and medications are my own responsibility.
- That I have disclosed any relevant medical conditions and/or other restrictions and will update Coaldale & Regional PAWS if there are any changes or developments.
- That the Coaldale & Regional PAWS may use, publish or reproduce any photos, drawings or writings produced by me as a foster parent.
- That the Coaldale & Regional PAWS will keep my application and relevant follow up information within their records. I understand that I will need to inform the society as soon as possible if I wish to rescind my application or stop volunteering/fostering and may do so at any time either verbally to a member of the society or in writing.
- To provide Coaldale & Regional PAWS with a completed criminal record check prior to starting any foster work. I understand that I may not foster or volunteer without providing one.
- The Coaldale & Regional PAWS Board of Directors and/or their designates may choose to refuse my application and or terminate my participation in it's foster program at any time and without notice.
- That I waive any rights to a cause of action or future cause of action against Coaldale & Regional PAWS, its directors, agents, employees and representatives. I release Coaldale & Regional PAWS and it's representatives from any claims, actions, costs, expenses and demands in respect to loss or damage to personal property out of or in connection with my volunteering.

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Printed Name of Volunteer

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Signature

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Date

