



Animal Rescue, Placement & Education
A non-profit corporation

Life 4 Paws Rescue Foster Home Application Form

Please fill out this form and send it to:

Life 4 Paws.
8335 Winnetka Ave, #102
Winnetka, CA 91306

In addition to filling out this form, you must sign and return to us a copy of the Foster Home Contract to show that you have read and agree to the conditions therein.
If you cannot complete a question in the space provided, please continue on the back of this document.

Please print as clearly as possible, and answer all the questions on the form. Failure to respond to some questions or not completing the form in its entirety may be grounds for your application to be rejected.

<i>Personal Information</i>	
Date Of App	Birthday:
Name:	Home Phone:
Email:	Cell:
Fax:	Work Phone
Address:	
City:	State, Zip

<i>Vet Information</i>	
Current or Prior Vet Practice:	
Vet Name:	Phone:
Address:	Fax:
City:	State, Zip:

<i>Tell us about the dogs, cats, or other pets you currently own:</i>					
Species:	Breed	Age:	Sex:	Altered?	Behavior toward other dogs?

Please add separate sheet if needed

Have you ever worked with a dog with behavioral problems before? If yes, please describe:	
Are you willing to work with a problem dog? (Please refer to Paragraph 9 in the Contract)	
If necessary, please describe the space in which you would keep a foster dog, away from your other pets:	
How many hours of the day would the dog be alone?	
When would the dog be outside	
When would the dog be inside	
Do you rent <input type="checkbox"/> Do you own <input type="checkbox"/> TYPE: House <input type="checkbox"/> Condo/Apartment <input type="checkbox"/> Townhome <input type="checkbox"/>	
Do you have a pet door <input type="checkbox"/> Is anyone allergic to dogs?	
Type of fence?	Highest Point Lowest Point
Type of gate?	# of Gates? Height of Gate?
Type of lock on Gates? Padlock <input type="checkbox"/> Key <input type="checkbox"/> Latch <input type="checkbox"/>	

How far are you willing to drive to pick up a foster dog?	
Time limit for fostering?*	
*Time Limit: We request that foster homes be willing to commit to keeping a dog at least 8 weeks (2 months), because it often takes at least that long to find a suitable home for the dog. Foster dogs should ideally be kept isolated from any current pets, if deemed necessary for any health or behavior issues	



Life 4 Paws Rescue Foster Home Contract

I/we _____ (Foster Home) agree to receive a dog(s) from Life 4 Paws Rescue (L4PR) for the purpose of fostering until a permanent adoptive home can be found, I/we agree willingly to all the following terms of fostering:

- Rights:** L4PR dogs are the sole property of L4PR and decisions regarding their placement, medical care, behavioral modification and euthanasia are exclusively made by the directors of L4PR (hereafter referred to as Directors). Under no circumstance does a Foster Home have the right to place, sell, give away, abandon, donate, or euthanize the L4PR dog(s) in their care. Furthermore, all medical treatments or extreme behavior modification techniques practiced must be discussed and approved by a Director before implementation. _____(Initial)
- Upkeep Costs:** As a Foster Home you are responsible for providing indoor and outdoor accommodations including food, water, ample amounts of attention and one-on-one care for the dog(s) placed in your custody. L4PR will not reimburse Foster Homes for any of these items (except food with a receipt provided) and the cost will be the responsibility of the Foster Home. L4PR will not reimburse for any 'special diet' food that the foster may want to feed. If there is a question regarding the food, please contact a L4PR director for guidance. It is the prerogative of the Foster Home to buy additional items such as toys, bones, cookies, etc. It is understood that fostering is not a short-term event and can take several weeks, possibly even months. _____(Initial)
- Veterinary Care:** It is understood that all veterinary care must be pre-authorized by L4PR Medical Liaison or L4PR Director. Medical care is provided by Pet Vet – Canoga Park, Noreda Animal Clinic - Northridge, Value Vet, Canoga Park and Devonshire Animal Hospital - Chatsworth as approved and will be paid for by L4PR. Services obtained without authorization or at another clinic are the sole responsibility of the Foster Home. The initial care required for each dog will be specified. Additional vet care may be required during the course of fostering; however; all such treatments must be discussed and approved by the L4PR Medical Liaison or L4PR Director first. ____ (Initial)
- Vaccines:** L4PR will not pay for unnecessary vaccines beyond those pre-approved. DHLPP and BORDETELLA vaccines are required if no written proof of current vaccination was provided by the previous owner/shelter/vet. L4PR will determine if such proof is adequate and advise the Foster Home of vaccines required. The Rabies vaccine is deemed necessary if there is no written proof of current Rabies vaccination provided by the previous owner/shelter/vet, AND if it is required by law in the area the dog(s) is being fostered, or if the dog is to be shipped out of state. _____(Initial)
- Medical Tests:** All testing requires pre-approval by a L4PR Director or the L4PR Medical Liaison. _____(Initial)
- Emergencies:** In the case of a life-and-death emergency, the Foster Home must act in the best interest of the foster dog(s). All effort must be made to contact the L4PR medical Liaison or L4PR Director in the event of an emergency, but it is understood that sometimes this is not possible. If an emergency occurs, minimal care should be given to ensure the dog(s) is free of pain and out of danger until the L4PR Medical Liaison or a L4PR Director is contacted and proper authorization is given. In the case of a severe emergency where euthanasia is recommended by the veterinarian in the best interest of the dog, L4PR will reimburse for the cost of this procedure. A written report of the event should be made by the veterinarian and sent to L4PR along with the receipt. ____ (Initial)
- Euthanasia:** In some cases L4PR rescue dogs have medical or behavioral problems that are too advanced to allow placement in a new home. On occasion these problems are not discovered, or the extent of them are not discovered, until after they are in foster care. The decision to euthanize a dog is solely that of the L4PR Medical Liaison along with the Directors; however; once the decision is made; it is the responsibility of the Foster Home to have the procedure performed by a licensed veterinarian. This is a difficult but crucial role of a Foster Home, and the Foster Home must be willing to undertake this assignment. L4PR will pay for this procedure if pre-approved. ____ (Initial)



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8. **Pets Currently Owned by Foster Home:** L4PR dog(s) should be kept away from existing pets in the household. L4PR cannot take responsibility for any injury or illness sustained by a non-L4PR dog. If the fostering period extends beyond expectation and the Foster Home wishes to introduce the foster dog(s) to existing pets, this should be discussed and approved by a Director first. ____ (Initial)
9. **Behavioral Problems:** Some L4PR dogs may have behavior problems that require the Foster Home to practice behavior modification techniques. Some examples of problems L4PR has encountered include: aggression, severe shyness, fear, and other social problems. In many cases the dog simply needs to be in a loving, quiet environment away from other pets or noise. In some cases more extreme measures must be taken by the Foster Home to correct the problem. The Foster Home will be informed of any behavioral problems that the Directors are aware of beforehand, and provide behavior modification techniques, or advise the Foster Home of alternate sources to consult on the problem. Under no circumstances should severe disciplinary or modification correction techniques be applied without the approval of a Director. The dog(s) is the property and responsibility of L4PR and if actions are taken that the Directors do not approve the dog will be removed from the care of the Foster Home as soon as possible. ____ (Initial)
10. **Previous/Future owners:** Although the Foster Home may by necessity come in contact with previous owners or with future adopters, that contact should be limited to the pre-approved realm explicitly indicated by a Director. Foster Homes are the agents of L4PR and should not solicit contact with previous owners after the animals are placed in foster care, nor should they solicit contact with new owners after the adoption. L4PR does not usually provide updates to previous owners after their charges have been placed; this is done expressly through the Directors to avoid potential conflicts and liabilities. After the necessary contact is completed (e.g.: to arrange the picking up or dropping off of a dog) no further contact should be made. If the previous owner attempts to contact the Foster Home, a Director should be notified immediately. L4PR also recommends exchanges be made in a neutral location. ____ (Initial)
11. **Involvement in adoption:** Some Foster Homes prefer to be actively involved in placing the dog(s), others prefer to simply foster the dog and leave the decision-making to the Directors. It is the Directors preference to have the Foster Home involved for the reasons outlined in Paragraph 6. However, some interaction is desirable, and the Directors are interested in feedback from the Foster Home relative to their opinion about the potential adopters. ____ (Initial)
12. **Liability:** The Foster Home accepts responsibility for any and all events that occur in connection with the fostering of a L4PR dog. The Foster Home agrees to release and indemnify L4PR from any and all claims, known and unknown, now or hereafter, arising in connection with the dog(s). ____ (Initial)
13. **Attorney Fees and Costs:** Should it be necessary for L4PR or its agents and volunteers to take legal action to recover a foster dog or otherwise enforce any provisions in this agreement, the Foster Home agrees to pay all court costs and legal fees. ____ (Initial)
14. **Certification of Full Disclosure:** The Foster Home attests that all information provided in the accompanying **“Dog Foster Information Form”** is accurate and complete to the best of the Foster Home’s knowledge. ____ (Initial)
15. **Forum, Integration, and Severability:** This agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California, and any suit regarding its subject matter shall be first brought in the courts of California, Los Angeles County. This written agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the undersigned and L4PR, and no prior oral or written agreements not explicitly included in this document are to be considered part of this contract. Wherever possible, the terms and conditions of this agreement shall be interpreted in such a manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law to the extent any provision of this contract is determined to be unenforceable as a matter of law, the balance of the agreement shall survive and shall be enforced as written. ____ (Initial)



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- 16. Multiple Fosters: Where more than one individual or a non-incorporated group entity appears as Foster Home in this agreement, each person agrees to joint liability under the terms of this agreement, and is responsible for compliance with each of its terms and conditions. _____(Initial)
17. Liquidated Damages: In the event that the Foster Home abandons or otherwise transfers the dog(s) without the prior written permission of a Director, or if the dog(s) is abused or mistreated in violation of this agreement, the Foster Home agrees to pay L4PR \$500 in liquidated damages, covering costs not inclusive of: veterinary treatment, time and transportation expended in locating the dog, travel expenses in recovering the dog, expenses already invested to improve the dog's health, locating permanent homes, and for legal and other investigative expenses. _____(Initial)
18. Injury/Bite Incident: If at any time the aforementioned dog is with the Foster parent(s) and is involved in an incident that involves biting or injury to another person or animal the Foster parent(s) IS NOT the Legal agent for Life4Paws. Any such event should be reported to a Life4Paws Director immediately and an incident report filled out, we will handle the situation. _____(Initial)
19. Adoption: If the Foster parent(s) decide they want to adopt the dog they are fostering, they must contact via email L4PR director. The contract documentation and adoption fee must be filled out and returned within a 30-day time frame. _____(Initial)
20. Rentals/Homeowners Associations: I/We acknowledge that we live in a rental property or one that is governed by a homeowner's association. I/We hereby agree that Life4Paws is not responsible for any fees or fines that may be levied as a result of fostering a Life4Paws animal. _____(Initial)

At the signing of this contract Authorizing Directors of L4PR are:

Lisa Janes : Director Life4Paws@life4Paws.org (818) 772-4335
Jeanne Develle: Medical Liaison Jdevelle@gmail.com

I certify the above to be true and complete to the best of my knowledge:

Signature of Foster Home Members: _____

Printed names of Foster Home Members: _____

Foster Home address: _____

Foster Home phone: _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Foster Home email: _____

Date: _____

Signature of L4PR volunteer or agent: _____

Printed name of L4PR volunteer or agent: _____

Date of receipt of this form: _____



Volunteer Hold Harmless

This document provides for the release of liability of Life 4 Paws organization due to actions of any animal which has been released into the ownership of Life 4 Paws:

Name: _____

Address : _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell:

Email: _____

Life 4 Paws has no way of predicting the actions or disposition of any animal released to them. I acknowledge that every effort has been made to assess the disposition of animals released to Life 4 Paws; however; they may act unpredictably. I agree to take necessary precautions to prevent accidents and monitor their actions to the best of my ability.

I will keep the animal under control at all times properly confined in a crate/cage or on leash at all times when traveling or in public. I will confine the animal as appropriate for that particular animal. **For dogs in a fenced yard or kennel run or inside my house or garage when it is not with me or a with a responsible adult from our family. At no time will this dog be placed outside on a tie-out unless under the direct supervision of a responsible adult. When off my property, the dog will be kept on a leash unless it is in a fenced area approved for free running dogs . For cats they will be kept inside at all times and if necessary in a cat pen. Guinea pigs, hamsters etc., will be kept in cages at all times.**

To indemnify and hold harmless Life 4 Paws and thereof from any loss, damage or expense incurred for or by this animal.

Signed: _____ Date: _____



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**Waiver and Release of Liability
For Volunteers under 18 years**

I, _____ am the parent or

Legal Guardian of _____, age _____.

I understand and agree that this child will be volunteering with Life4Paws and in the course of such volunteer work, said child will have direct contact with domestic animals.

I further understand and agree that the behavior of domestic animals is sometimes unpredictable and that these animals are capable of inflicting serious personal injury or death, as well as extensive property damage. Knowing the risks of handling said animals, on behalf of the minor and myself, I agree to assume those risks and to release, indemnify and hold harmless Life4Paws and/or any of its Officers, Directors, Employees Agents or Contractors, for any and all personal injury and/or property damages resulting from said child's volunteer work.

I also understand and agree that if said child is under the age of 16 years that a legal guardian shall accompany the child to all events held by Life4Paws, unless prior written authorization/arrangements have been given to Life4Paws prior to the event(s).

I hereby provide Life4Paws authority to seek emergency medical treatment if necessary.

I have no knowledge of any medical or other condition that would prohibit or prevent said child from volunteering for Life4Paws.

Name (Please Print)

Signature

Date

Life4Paws Inc.
A 501 (c)(3) Nonprofit Corporation
Tax ID 95-4827495

Volunteer Employee Confidentiality Agreement

The following confirms an agreement as to an essential term of volunteer employment, between _____, ("EMPLOYEE") and Life4Paws, Inc., a non profit corporation (Life4Paws, Inc., and its individual executives and officers are collectively referred to as "EMPLOYER"). EMPLOYEE's signature below is a material part of the consideration for continuation of his/her employment by EMPLOYER:

1. **Purpose of Agreement:** EMPLOYEE understands that EMPLOYER possesses or will possess EMPLOYER's "Sensitive and Proprietary Information" which is important to it, and that it is critical for EMPLOYER to preserve and protect this Sensitive and Proprietary Information (as defined in Section 2a. below).

2. **Sensitive and Proprietary Information:** EMPLOYEE understands that during the term of his/her employment, and in the course of discharging his/her duties, EMPLOYEE may also have access to and possess such Sensitive and Proprietary Information pertaining to EMPLOYER. EMPLOYEE understands that his/her employment creates a relationship of confidence and trust between EMPLOYEE and EMPLOYER with respect to this Sensitive and Proprietary Information. Such Sensitive and Proprietary Information including but not limited to information regarding grants, funding and/or funding in progress is not to be used, disseminated or discussed by EMPLOYEE outside of Life4Paws, Inc. business activities.

a. For purposes of this Agreement, "Sensitive and Proprietary Information" includes, but is not limited to: confidential information concerning EMPLOYER and EMPLOYER's clients; confidential information concerning EMPLOYER's business, family, and personal relationships; personal information concerning EMPLOYER and EMPLOYER's clients; personal information concerning EMPLOYER's and EMPLOYER's clients' family; financial information concerning EMPLOYER and EMPLOYER's clients; financial information concerning EMPLOYER and EMPLOYER's clients including but not limited to bank account information; social security numbers; private residence locations, email addresses, driver's licenses; unlisted telephone numbers; database; adopters' information; rescue group information; contact information; vendor information; grants; funding and the like.

3. **EMPLOYER Records/Materials:** EMPLOYEE understands that EMPLOYER possesses or will possess "EMPLOYER Records/Materials" (as defined in section 3a. below) which are important to EMPLOYER's business and other operations.

a. For purposes of this Agreement, "EMPLOYER Records/Materials" are documents or other media or tangible items that contain or embody Sensitive and Proprietary Information, personnel information, private personal information, confidential information, or any other information concerning: EMPLOYER's business; EMPLOYER's household;

EMPLOYER's family; and the schedules, itineraries, routines or plans of EMPLOYER, whether such documents have been prepared by EMPLOYEE or by others. "EMPLOYER Records/Materials" include, but are not limited to: photographs, video, charts, graphs, ledgers, contacts, receipts, files, memoranda, reports, notebooks, diaries, lists, computer disks, tapes or printouts, electronic mail, databases and other electronic, printed, typewritten or handwritten documents and the like.

b. In addition, if EMPLOYEE enters into an Agreement with a prospective client, contact information must be given to Life4Paws, Inc. within 24 hours of obtaining same and before further contact is made as EMPLOYEE is a representative of Life4Paws, Inc. and not at liberty to enter into Agreements on behalf of Life4Paws, Inc. without prior approval.

4. **Misuse/Nondisclosure:** In consideration of EMPLOYEE's employment by EMPLOYER and the compensation received by him/her from EMPLOYER from time to time, EMPLOYEE hereby agree as follows:

a. All Sensitive and Proprietary Information shall be the sole property of EMPLOYER. At all times, both during his/her employment by EMPLOYER and after its termination, EMPLOYEE will keep EMPLOYER's Sensitive and Proprietary Information in confidence and trust, and will not misuse or misappropriate it. EMPLOYEE will not disclose any Sensitive and Proprietary Information or anything relating to it, directly or indirectly, to any other person or entity without the prior written consent of EMPLOYER.

b. All EMPLOYER Records/Materials are and shall be the sole property of EMPLOYER. EMPLOYEE agrees that during his/her employment by EMPLOYER, EMPLOYEE will not remove any EMPLOYER Records/Materials from the premises of EMPLOYER or deliver or in any manner disclose any EMPLOYER Records/Materials to any person or entity other than EMPLOYER without the prior written consent of EMPLOYER. EMPLOYEE further agrees that, immediately upon the termination of his/her employment by EMPLOYEE or by EMPLOYER for any reason, or during EMPLOYEE's employment if so requested by EMPLOYER, EMPLOYEE will return all EMPLOYER Records/Materials, apparatus, equipment and other physical property, or any copy or reproduction of such property.

c. All Records/Materials that are to be discarded at the request of the EMPLOYER are to be shredded.

d. All items donated to Life4Paws, Inc. (including but not limited to food, crates, etc.) at an event or to an EMPLOYEE outside of an event and such donation is earmarked as a donation to Life4Paws, Inc. is the sole property of Life4Paws, Inc.

5. **No Breach of Prior Agreement:** EMPLOYEE has not entered into, and agrees he/she will not enter into, any agreement either written or oral in conflict herewith.

6. **Notification:** EMPLOYEE agrees that his/her obligations under paragraph 4a. of this Agreement shall continue in effect after termination of his/her employment, regardless of the reason or reasons for termination, and whether such termination is voluntary or involuntary on EMPLOYEE's part, and that EMPLOYER is entitled to notify any future employer or potential employer of EMPLOYEE's obligations under this Agreement.

7. **Injunctive Relief:** EMPLOYEE understands and agree that in the event of a breach or threatened breach of this Agreement by him/her EMPLOYER may suffer irreparable harm and will therefore be entitled to injunctive relief to enforce this Agreement.

8. **Successors and Assigns; Assignment:** This Agreement is binding upon EMPLOYEE, his/her heirs, executors, assigns, and administrators and inures to the benefit of EMPLOYER, its subsidiaries, successors, agents, and assigns.

9. **Amendment and Modification:** This Agreement can only be modified by a subsequent written agreement executed by EMPLOYER.

EMPLOYEE HAS READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY AND UNDERSTANDS, ACCEPTS, AND AGREES TO THE OBLIGATIONS TO PROTECT EMPLOYER CONFIDENCES WHICH IT IMPOSES UPON HIM/HER WITHOUT RESERVATION. NO PROMISES OR REPRESENTATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE TO EMPLOYEE TO INDUCE HIM/HER TO SIGN THIS AGREEMENT. EMPLOYEE SIGNS THIS AGREEMENT VOLUNTARILY AND FREELY, IN DUPLICATE, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT ONE COUNTERPART WILL BE RETAINED BY EMPLOYER AND THE OTHER COUNTERPART WILL BE RETAINED BY EMPLOYEE.

Dated: _____, 20 _____

Dated: _____, 20 **Life4Paws, Inc.**

By _____
Life 4 Paws Lead Volunteer

Print _____