



Who Needs a Foster?

Foster care is a vital program in any animal welfare organization. At the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA, we are lucky to have hundreds of amazing volunteers who open up their homes to many animals in need. Every day, shelter animals from all walks of life go into foster care for a variety of reasons. If the animal requires extra care or medication, or is suffering from stress or behavior issues, they may be a candidate for foster care. Foster care homes allow an animal to grow up healthy, recover from illness, or learn better behaviors before they are adopted into a loving home.

Read the shelter animal descriptions below. Decide if the animal would benefit from being in foster care. Happy reading!

- 1.** A litter of eight puppies have been dropped off at the shelter. They are two weeks old and require almost constant care. They need to be fed every two hours, kept warm, and helped to pee and poop. Should they go to a foster home? Why or why not?

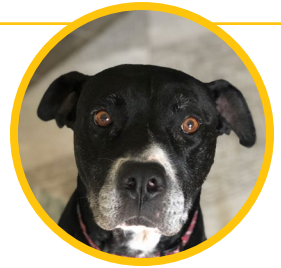


- 2.** A senior cat is showing signs of having a cold and he is not eating. He was turned in to the shelter after his owner passed away and he is having a hard time adjusting to living in a kennel. Should he go to a foster home? Why or why not?





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- 3.** A dog has been at the shelter for over two months. When she first arrived, she was very playful and eager to please. As the days went by, she became more and more frustrated in her kennel and started showing unwanted behaviors. She would try to pull on her leash, run out of her kennel during meal times, and bark all the time. Should she go to a foster home? Why or why not?
