

## Duties of 2nd line Foster

All Happy Tails Dachshund Rescue dogs live with our foster families. This allows the dogs a chance to socialize with people and often other dogs.

Our foster families can help us assess a dog's personality and help in minor training like, potty, leash, doggie door and any other training as necessary.

When a dog enters the HTDR family, it is evaluated by a "first line" intake foster to determine the dog's health and general demeanor. Once complete, the dog is welcomed into the home of a "second line" foster where it normally stays until it is adopted.

HTDR pays for all the dog's medical expenses including vaccinations, spaying or neutering, micro-chipping, dental care and other procedures as needed.

Foster families supply nourishment, lots of love and a safe and secure environment for our dogs.

We encourage our foster's to walk the dogs and to kennel the dogs when they are not home.

Fosters will know our dogs best, so it is important that the foster family provide us with information about the dog's personality and training to help us in finding the dog a forever home.

Finally, fosters need to bring their dogs to adoptions, on Saturday's, to help them find their forever home. The foster can stay or pick up at the end of the day. If the foster leaves, we ask that the foster calls the person in charge in time to pick up.

All of our dogs are seen by a vet and treated for any illnesses or injuries before they go to a second line foster.

In the rare case that a dog does get sick, or injured, please call the Foster Coordinator and get authorization for treatment, except in the case of life

and death emergencies, please do not wait. You will be provided with locations that we do business with, and you can take your dog without authorization.

Your main contact as a second-line foster will be the Foster Coordinator. The name and phone number will be provided to you when you start fostering.

Please let the Foster Coordinator know, when they call, how the dog is doing and any needs or conditions to report.

As a courtesy to our Foster Coordinator, please let them know, in advance, when there are times you cannot take dogs, or you are going on vacation, so they can arrange alternate placement of your foster dog.

In the event you fall in love with your foster, and become what we call a foster failure, please let the Foster Coordinator know that you want to adopt because as a foster, you do have the first choice of adopting. That's why we ask that you let us know before adoptions.

As the foster, the U.S. government has allowed you to deduct up to 90% of your expenses from fostering as a write off on your taxes.

Thank you for considering becoming a foster for Happy Tails Dachshund Rescue. I think you will find it very rewarding and a fun experience that you will never forget.

Once again, thank you very much from the Happy Tails family, and we welcome you to our group.