



## Foster Care Application

*Our rescue's mission is to save the lives of as many abandoned, injured, neglected and/or otherwise unwanted cats and kittens we possibly can. All cats and kittens are fully vetted, fed healthy diets and accommodated in a 100% foster care environment until they each find loving forever homes.*

Thank you for your interest in our Foster Care Program. Being a foster parent is a rewarding experience, enabling you to help our most helpless animals get a second chance as they regain health, learn to trust in humans, and acquire social development in preparation for permanent adoption. The ultimate purpose of this application is to find the best possible foster homes for our rescued kittens or cats. The cat will be completely dependent on you for their health, happiness and safety. This application will help determine if a foster/rescue arrangement between Catopia Cat Rescue, Inc. and you will be in the best interest of both the cat and your family.

Please be patient with our inquisitiveness and concern for the cat's well being. We wish only the very best for you and the rescued cat. All questions must be answered as completely and honestly as possible. We reserve the right to refuse you any cat whose placement is not in the best interest of the cat.

Catopia Cat Rescue, Inc. provides food, necessary supplies (such as bedding, litter box, food, toys, etc.) and medical care for all fostered animals. Foster parents provide the love, individual attention, and a stress-free environment, as well as a willingness to work with the Foster Care Program Coordinator to give our foster animals the best care possible. If you think this is a program you'd like to be involved in, please print out this application, fill it out, and return it to Catopia Cat Rescue, Inc. You will be contacted within one week upon receipt of your application.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been charged or convicted of felony or misdemeanor animal abuse?

Yes  No      If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Name, age and relationship of others living in your home, please include children also:

Name	Age	Relationship

Type of Home: \_\_ Apartment \_\_ Condo \_\_ Single Family House \_\_ Townhouse

Do you rent or own? \_\_\_\_\_

If renting, please provide your landlord's name and phone number:

Name	Phone

Are animals permitted? \_\_ Yes \_\_ No

I am willing to foster the following (please check all that apply)

- Cat
- Cat recuperating from a surgery
- Pregnant Cat
- Cat with special socialization needs
- Mother Cat with Kittens
- Baby Kittens needing to be bottle fed
- Weaned Kittens

Have you ever adopted a pet? \_\_ Yes \_\_ No

If so, from which organization or individual? \_\_\_\_\_

Where is the pet now? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever given or had to give up a pet for any reason to an organization or individual?

\_\_ Yes \_\_ No      If yes, When and Why? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list your **current** pets:

Name	Breed	Years Owned	Where is the pet kept?	Spayed/Neutered?

Please provide a veterinarian reference:

Name	Address (Street, City, State, Zip)	Phone

Will you be integrating your current pets with your foster pet?  Yes  No

How do your current pets get along with other dogs/cats?

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During the day, how long will the foster pet be left alone?

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Where will the foster pet be kept in your home?

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During the day/evening, where would the foster pet spend most of his/her time?

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Will anyone else be participating in the care of this foster pet?  Yes  No

Does anyone in the household have allergies?  Yes  No

Is anyone in the household fearful of animals?  Yes  No

Have you ever used a crate when caring for a cat?  Yes  No

Are you willing to take the cat to the vet for routine exam, spay/neuter or any other medical conditions while Catopia Cat Rescue covers all cost?  Yes  No

Are you aware that fostering a rescue cat requires work and patience?  Yes  No

Have you ever fostered animals before (this applies to any organization)?  Yes  No

Are you willing to allow a representative of Catopia Cat Rescue to visit the animal(s) at your home?  Yes  No

A rescue cat can take two months or more to become a social and adoptable cat.

Are you willing to allow the cat this much time to adjust?  Yes  No

Do you have a time limit for fostering a rescued cat?  Yes  No

If yes how long are you willing to foster? \_\_\_\_\_

**Sometimes we try to have animals adopted directly from a foster home:**

Can a prospective adopter call you regarding your foster animal?  Yes  No

Can they visit your home to see the animal?  Yes  No

Please provide 2 personal references:

Name	Address (Street, City, State, Zip)	Phone

In most cases it may be necessary to quarantine/isolate the rescue cat for two weeks or more when he first comes into foster care. It often takes at least a few weeks to several months to find a suitable home for the cat. Foster cats should ideally be kept isolated from any current pets. If the fostering period extends more than a few weeks, the foster may introduce the foster cat(s) to existing pets using recognized introduction protocols.

As a foster parent, you will be required to keep your foster cats/kittens indoors at all times. By signing below, you acknowledge that you will abide by these provisions.

If you know that you will be on vacation during the period of time you are being asked to foster, you are obliged to inform Catopia Cat Rescue, Inc. of such. This will allow us to find the most suitable temporary accommodations for your foster animal.

Additionally, while you are caring for foster animals, we may call you from time to time to check on the animals' progress and address any concerns you may have.

Should your foster animal become ill or missing while in your care, you are to immediately contact a member of our organization. An emergency contact phone list will be provided. We will make arrangements for your foster animal to be seen by one of the veterinarians who provides services to Catopia Cat Rescue at a greatly reduced rate. If foster parents take it upon him/her to seek medical care without first alerting a member of the organization, said foster parent may be liable for payment of the veterinary invoice.

Volunteers/foster families accept liability for personal injuries or damages caused by a rescue cat. Volunteers agree by signing below that working with animals is unpredictable and the utmost caution must be taken in caring for foster animals. While the animal is living with a foster family, it will remain the property of the rescue, Catopia Cat Rescue, Inc., and, therefore, all final decisions regarding the welfare of the animal will be the responsibility of this rescue.

By submitting this application for consideration, you agree to abide by the policies and procedures of Catopia Cat Rescue, Inc. Thank you for considering fostering a cat!

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_