



## What Does It Take to Become a Foster Family?

It takes a lot of things to become a foster family, but most of all it takes love! Foster Families must be willing to open their hearts and their homes to a dog that may seem “lost” or confused. Many are neglected, or worse yet, abandoned.

As a breed, Goldens just want to be part of the family, and it sometimes takes a lot of time and patience to tear down the walls of caution, fear and resistance and earn their trust. But once that happens, you'll be showered with unconditional love in the way of face-licks to wake you in the morning, or a warm body at your feet while you read the newspaper or watch TV at the end of the day. As a foster parent, brother or sister, you'll be called upon daily to have fun! Your foster dawg will be depending on you to provide a structured, safe-and-sound environment.

He'll also be looking to you for food and water, and to take him for long walks when you get home from school or work. Of course, you may also be called upon to take him to the vet (at our expense) if he gets sick or is injured. And he will need you to show him off to perspective adopters when they come to meet him. Costs are minimal, rewards are high! SCGRRescue provides all necessary veterinarian treatments for your beloved foster. Other expenses, such as food, toys, transportation costs, etc. would be your responsibility; however these expenses may be tax-deductible. (Check with your family accountant.)

How long do we get to foster? The length of time a dog remains in foster care varies. SCGRRescue makes every effort to find permanent, loving homes for our fosters as quickly as possible. Generally, younger, healthier dogs are adopted within a couple of weeks; older dogs or dogs with special needs may take longer.

Fostering is not a long term commitment and is much different than adoption. Our mission is to find the best possible match to each individual dog. Unfortunately you cannot adopt either of your first two foster dogs. But the experience will help you determine the wonderful attributes you are looking for in the newest love of your life.

Please contact us for more information, or check out our website at  
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