

# CCAS FOSTER ORIENTATION

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# A LITTLE BIT ABOUT US...

Clay County Animal Services is a municipal shelter

We are open admission

We take in approximately 4000 animals per year

We have a live release rate around 90%

We took in 1266 kittens in 2019 which is our most common animal in need of foster

CCAS is open Tuesday-Saturday 11:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M..



# WHAT FOSTER PROGRAMS DO WE OFFER?

### Cat Fostering

- Underage Kittens
- Medical
- Fospice

### Dog Fostering

- Free Agent
- Bow Wow
- Medical
- Fospice



## CAT FOSTER PROGRAMS

#### Underage Kitten Foster

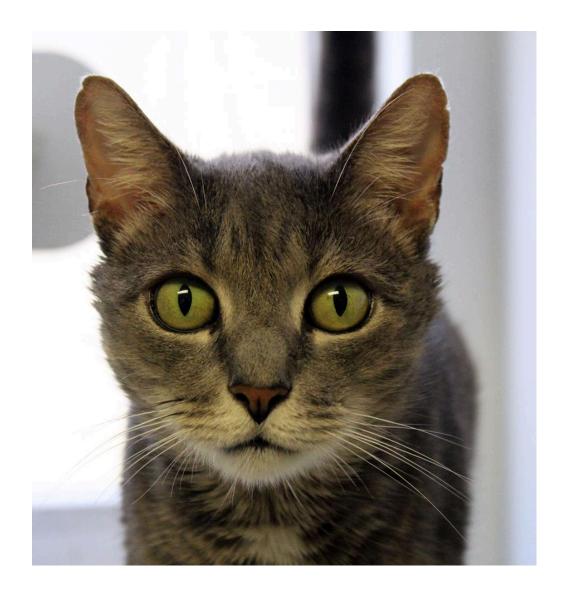
- Kittens under 7 weeks of age
- Bottle babies, Moms with kittens, Mush eaters, and Tweens

#### Medical

- Ringworm
- Injury

#### Fospice

 Senior cats who cannot live in the shelter because of medical concerns



### KITTEN FOSTERING

Underage kittens account for 1/3 of our shelters annual intake

Underage kittens cannot thrive in a shelter setting

Kittens can be in foster for as little as one week or as long as 10 weeks

Kitten fosters must be able to bring them to the shelter every 2 weeks for scheduled wellness appointments

Kitten fosters are given first choice of adoption of their foster animals

Fosters are encouraged to seek adopters for their kittens while they are in foster care



## DOG FOSTER PROGRAMS

#### Free Agent

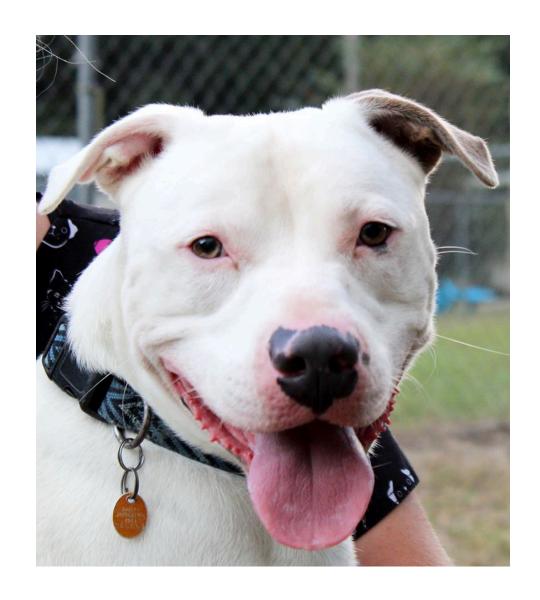
- Must agree to bring foster animal to scheduled adoption events
- Foster period cannot exceed 3 months
- Encouraged to seek adopter

#### Bow Wow

Temporary foster for day outing or sleepover

### Medical/Fospice

- Heartworm positive dogs
- Senior dogs with other medical concerns
- Dogs recovering from a major surgery/injury



## BECOMING A CLAY FOSTER PARENT

Fill out an initial application and let us know what types of animals you will foster.
Online application available.

Once your application is received, the foster coordinator will contact you and you will be added to the foster list.

Once you are on our foster list, we will email you when the need arises!

## FOSTER PARENT REQUIREMENTS

Fosters must sign a foster application and agreement

Fosters must provide a safe and loving environment for their animals

Foster animals must be housed inside

Foster animals must come to all scheduled appointments

The foster period cannot exceed 3 months for an individual animal



# WHAT CAN WE PROVIDE?

CCAS will provide all medical care for our foster animals including spay/neuter surgery

- All kittens will be scheduled an appointment every 2 weeks. The next appointment will be scheduled at your visit.
- Limited foster appointments are available on Saturdays
- Emergency options are available with shelter staff approval

#### Dogs:

- Donations of dry food and beds can be provided when available
- Wire kennels
- Harness with leash (when available)

#### Cats/Kittens:

- Donations of dry food, canned pate, and KMR (when available)
- Nursing kits
- Litter
- Blankets and towels

\*We are unable to provide food bowls and litter pans

# COMMUNICATION IS KEY (TO ANY RELATIONSHIP)

- All foster animals will need to come in every 2 weeks and will leave with their next scheduled appointment.
- Please make sure you arrive at your scheduled time for your appointment.
- The majority of our communication is via email, so it is important for our foster parents to regularly check email.
- You can email us at clayfosters@claycountygov.com
- If you have a medical concern, then you can call our main line at 904-529-4107



### DONATIONS NEEDED

- Kitten Milk Replacer (KMR)
- Snuggle Safe Disks
- Kitten Nursing Kits
- New/ Gently used stuffed animals
- Blankets
- Dog treats and toys
- Squeeze cheese
- Harnesses, collars, and leashes













# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### Clay County Animal Services

- 3984 State Road 16 West, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
- 904-269-6342
- animalcontrol@claycountygov.com
- www.claycountygov.com
- www.facebook.com/ClayCtyAnimals

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