

# Project Graduate Adoption Application

## Shelter Dog Rescue Project

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One of the major goals of The Shelter Dog Rescue Project is to place our rescued dogs in loving, *permanent* adoptive homes. All of the participants involved with the project, including our volunteers and our foster families, invest an enormous amount of time in selecting, training, and caring for the dogs in our program. This adoption application has been developed for 2 purposes. First, it enables us to gather some basic information about prospective adoptive families so that we can better match them with the individual personalities of our graduates. Second, we hope that the questions we ask will help you (and all of the members of your household) contemplate and discuss some of the many responsibilities of dog ownership before making this substantial commitment. We realize that some of these questions are "open-ended". Please be assured that there are no right or wrong answers. We simply want to gather some information which will help us (and you, we hope) figure out if one of our dogs is right for you. Also note that adoptive families are required to pay a \$100 adoption fee (check payable to "Canine Medicine Club") before taking their dog home. If you have any questions about the application, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Dog(s) in which you are interested: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Adopter's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Names of all other Adults in Household: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Names and ages of all children in the Household: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Name/Breed/Sex/Age of all other Pets in Household: \_\_\_\_\_

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Why do you want to adopt a dog? \_\_\_\_\_

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What are you looking for in a dog (age, sex, personality, characteristics)? \_\_\_\_\_

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What kinds of issues would require you to give up a dog (e.g., behavior, health, housing problems)? \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you had dogs before? Yes No

If so, what kinds of things did you enjoy doing with your dog (e.g., swimming, watching TV, obedience, etc.)?

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What kinds of activities do you hope to do with your new dog? \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you ever had to give up a dog? If so, why? \_\_\_\_\_

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Who will feed, exercise and train the dog? \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you plan to take the dog to obedience classes? Yes No

Where will the dog sleep at night? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours will the dog be alone during a typical day? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will it spend this time? \_\_\_\_\_

Who will care for the dog in your absence (emergencies, vacations)? \_\_\_\_\_

Who is your veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you live in a(n): Apartment Condo Duplex Detached House Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you own or rent your home (circle one)? Own Rent How long have you lived there? \_\_\_\_\_

If you rent, do you have written permission to have a dog? Yes No

Landlord's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a yard? Yes No If yes, please describe it and the fence: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Does anyone in your home have allergies? Yes No

Is your entire household supportive of this adoption? Yes No

Signature of Adopter: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signatures of all other Adults in the Household Named Above:

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

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

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

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

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