

Join Our Cause

To join our foster care team, visit hawaiianhumane.org to submit an online application and sign up to attend General Volunteer Orientation. Contact the Foster Care Coordinator at 356-2229 or hhs@hawaiianhumane.org for more information.

Program Requirements

- Be at least 18 years of age. Families with children are welcome to participate with the supervision of an adult.
- Have housing that accommodates for animals.
- Have reliable transportation to and from the shelter.
- Have the time to give in order to properly socialize and care for the animals.



About Us

Hawaiian Humane Society shelters, rescues, adopts and welcomes all animals. As an independent, local non-profit organization, we receive no funding from organizations such as ASPCA or HSUS.

Our work to promote the human-animal bond and the humane treatment of all animals is supported largely by donations. To make a gift, visit hawaiianhumane.org.



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Providing Foster Care



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Hawaiian Humane Society's foster care program helps care for thousands of orphaned and owned animals in need of temporary, tender, loving care.

Volunteers open their homes and hearts to help the Humane Society save more lives. For many, it's also a meaningful alternative to pet ownership and a great way to teach children about caring and compassion for animals.

Foster Care for Shelter Animals

Shelter animals who are too young, ill or injured, or who require more socialization before adoption, are nurtured through the Society's foster care program. All basic supplies and medical care are provided. Fostering is typically two to three weeks for young and healthy animals. Special needs foster care may be longer. If you have experience with positive-reinforcement training, you can be a part of our Behavior Foster Team.



Emergency Foster Care

Foster care is provided for owned pets too for up to 30 days. People in temporary crisis situations may be eligible for emergency foster care for their pets. The elderly, temporarily hospitalized, disabled, victims of domestic violence and others can benefit from this program.

Foster Care for Military

Deploying soldiers are also eligible for long-term fostering, as volunteers are available. Military personnel are responsible for all expenses to care for their animals while away. You can support those who serve our country.



Pet Care Assistance

Volunteers help with basic pet care and chore assistance for owners who are temporarily unable to. Volunteers provide basic pet grooming and bathing, dog walking, litter box maintenance, small animal cage cleanup, delivery of pet food and supplies and transportation to veterinarian appointments. Owners are responsible for any expenses.