



Foster Application

Loudon, TN

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Date: _____ Name: _____ Birth date: _____

Address: _____ County: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

How long at this address? _____ Email: _____

Cell phone number: _____ Home phone number: _____

Occupation: _____

Household

List all people that currently live at residence (include yourself).

Name: _____ Age: _____ Relationship: _____

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Equine Experience/Knowledge

Have you owned an equine before? Yes No Do you still have the equine(s)? Yes No

Have you owned a miniature horse/donkey before? Yes No

What type of equine(s) are you interested in fostering? *Check all that apply.*

Mare Gelding Special Needs

Previously unhandled Needs retraining Senior (>25 yrs old)

Pregnant mare / Mare & foal Bonded pair

Describe your ideal foster:

List any special experience or information you feel we should know:



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Property

There must be safe fencing with access to a limited pasture, shelter and fresh water. Large horses/donkeys/mules must be separated from miniature equines by fencing.

Do you have fence around entire pasture? Yes No Does the fence have a lockable gate? Yes No

Amount of land/acreage fenced _____ What type of fencing? _____

Please describe pasture/stable set-up: _____

References

Please provide contact information for your veterinarian and farrier. If you do not currently have an equine vet or farrier, please list which veterinarian you currently use for your other pets/livestock as well as the vet and farrier you plan to use for your adopted equine.

Current veterinarian's name: _____

Phone number: _____

Records are under what name? _____

Type of pet(s): _____

Equine veterinarian's name: _____

Farrier's name: _____

Phone number: _____

Please provide name and contact information for two **non-family** references (i.e., co-worker, horse trainer, etc.).

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Relationship: _____

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General

Minatures and donkeys are to be kept in appropriately sized pasture/paddocks with predator proof fencing.

We do not allow minatures to be housed with full sized horses.

Special Circumstances

- Foster care providers must express an interest in adopting the equine in their care within the first 30 days of fostering. If a valid application is approved on a fostered equine after 30 days, the equine may be adopted out.
- Foster to adopt trials may be considered for specific reasons (i.e, cart work, therapy training, etc). We may allow up to 60 days as a foster to ensure that the equine is suitable for the specific need. During this time, the equine status will be listed as "Pending".



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FAQ about Fostering

(1) **Veterinary Care:** ETMHD will provide routine medical care for the fostered equine (yearly 5 way booster and coggins testing), but any injury or illness occurring as a result of being in foster care will be the responsibility of the foster home.

An ETMHD foster horse is treated just like a regular ETMHD horse. For example, if a fostered horse needs a blanket, it will be sent to the foster home with the horse but must be returned to ETMHD when the horse is adopted or when the foster arrangement ends. Funds to cover feed & farrier costs will be sent to the foster home upon submission of receipts or the foster home may choose to fully sponsor the horse and all monies used for their care can be a tax-deductible donation.

(2) **Fostering Duration:** If you offer to foster a horse, be aware that we cannot guarantee how long the horse will be with you unless specific arrangements are made at the time of foster. A fostered horse will remain in foster care until the horse is adopted or a spot opens up at the main ETMHD location. A horse may remain in foster for a few weeks or several months.

There are things you can do to help place your foster horse faster. Taking regular pictures and sending in update stories (at least monthly), reporting on handling and training, and actively seeking out local potential adopters can help your foster horse find a home faster.

From time to time, we may have need for short-term emergency fosters. In these situations, we will communicate prior to acceptance of the horse our expected timeline.

(3) **Foster Adoption:** "Failed fosters" are our favorite kind. Though we hate to lose a good foster home we are always overjoyed when an ETMHD horse finds their forever home. As a foster home, you are already an approved adopter. If you choose to adopt your foster horse, must let ETMHD know within the first 30 days of foster so we can make potential adopters aware they are no longer available. You simply need to inform us that you wish to adopt your fostered horse, fill out an adoption contract for that horse and pay the adoption fee.

In accordance with the foster contract, the foster home must give ETMHD at least thirty (30) days notice if they want a fostered equine to be removed from their property to allow for arrangements to be made for a new foster for the horse. Please give us as much notice as possible if you suspect your circumstances will change and you can no longer care for the fostered horse. All attempts will be made by ETMHD to move the horse to a new location as quickly as possible.

We make every effort to ensure that the equines in our care are adopted into their forever homes. We reserve the right to decline any adoption application.

I confirm that all information herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and agree to conform to the aforementioned requirements of care.

Signature: _____

Date: _____