**FOSTER Q&A**

**Who can foster rabbits:**

**Adults 18 and over**

**Families with children**

**Seniors**

**Teen volunteers with parents approval**

**What does fostering entail:**

**We provide the housing unless you have it already**

**We cover the medical expenses**

**You love them like any pet**

**You provide the feed needs( veggies hay water pellets)**

**You give them daily meds if needed( such as after being altered)**

**You bring them to outreach and adoption events**

**Where do they live:**

**We prefer they live indoors to cut down on exposure to parasites, and predators. We prefer them inside so they are socialized, get used to dogs barking cats walking around the sound of the tv and vacuum to make them easier to qualify to be adopted.**

**In some cases if the rabbit is already an outside rabbit we can continue this lifestyle for their comfort in a garage, farm,or protected outdoor environment. A home visit helps us determine this.**

**Where do the bunnies come from:**

**Some are relinquished directly to us by the owner and sometimes we get calls directly from another shelter or rescue**

**When can you foster:**

**It is best to put your foster application in when we don’t have a need. So as soon as you decide to foster join the foster list. Once we get the call we can match the incoming bunny to the right foster family.**

**When do we get our foster bunny:**

**Within a week in initial contact we try to set up retrieving the bunnies. As the foster family you will be given the address to pick your bunny up and the supplies they come with such as food playyards ect.sometimes a cage.**

**With 24 hours of pick up we will come to your home and do a health assessment on the rabbits. We will then adjust care needs based on the health needs.**

**Why are foster families important:**

**Until our facility is built foster families are important so we can follow our mission to help abandoned relinquished aged and ill rabbits in the community. Without foster families these animals are let loose and will not survive on their own. Once the facility opens we will be able to directly accept them making fostering for special needs cases.**

**Can I have other pets- yes as long as they are not predators ie hunting dogs or snakes or the odd chance you are a falconer.**

**Do I groom the rabbit- Rabbits don’t get baths. Wool breeds need weekly brushing, nail clipping varies per rabbit from once a month to every other month depending on their needs. We can help clip their nails if you don’t know how.**

**What if the rabbit gets sick – contact us and we’ll either address the health issue ourselves if simple or make a vet appointment which you take them to. The vet bills us so no charge to you just transport your bunny to the vet.**

**I want to keep this bunny- if you bond we can transfer ownership to you. We do have adoption fees to cover spay /neuter costs minimally but as a foster family adopting costs if any will be on a case by case basis.**

**Do I introduce them with my rabbits- ideally no.**

**First and foremost if you already have rabbits this foster bunny needs to be in quarantine to make sure he doesn’t bring germs to your bunny.**

**Second this bunny upon arrival might not be altered and we don’t need more bunnies. Lastly if your bunny and the foster bonds are you willing to adopt?**

**How do I become a foster family-**

**Step one fill out the application, step two submit room photos, step three wait for the bunny that needs your help.**

**Why do I pay to feed them-**

**Since our volunteers are in all different locations and the dietary needs of each rabbit is different it works best for the family who has direct contact with feeding buy the food. You’ll know if the bunny likes spinach or cilantro blueberry or strawberry. We will gladly give you a donation form for the deduction on your taxes.**