

ADOPTABLE DOG APPLICATION

Date of Application: _____

Name _____

Street Address _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Daytime telephone _____ Evening Telephone _____

Email Address _____

Would you like to receive our quarterly newsletter and special news updates via email? Yes

INTRODUCTION

Adding a dog to your life will impact you in a number of ways. You will be responsible for your new dog's upkeep, including medical care, food, exercise, licensing, grooming, continued training, and any damage your dog may cause. In return, your dog will give you unconditional love, friendship, and devotion plus lots of fun and motivation.

Dogs have varying types of personalities, just as we do. It will take time and patience to become a bonded team, and the work will be well worth it.

Submitting an application does not guarantee that you will receive a dog. After your application is reviewed, we will contact you to set up a time for an interview to ask additional questions.

DOGS FOR THE DEAF'S GUARANTEE TO YOU

1. If, for any reason, you can no longer keep the dog, we want the dog returned to Dogs for the Deaf so that we can find it another loving home.
2. We will fully disclose any medical or behavioral problems that we have dealt with, or are aware of, during the time we have been working with the dog we place with you.
3. We will keep all applicant information strictly confidential.

In addition, Dogs for the Deaf, Inc. reserves the right to remove any dog that we place from the home if it is being neglected or abused, or if the environment is not appropriate for the dog.

Have you ever had a dog before? YES_____NO_____ If so, what kind/s?

All dogs at some time or another have some behavior problems, please describe what kind of problems you have had with any previous dogs and how you handled them? _____

I live in a: House_____ Apartment_____ Duplex_____ Mobile Home_____ Other_____

Why did you decide to apply for a dog at this time? _____

Are you fully aware of all the work involved in having a dog in the family? Please explain:

Please list all members of your household (including yourself)

Please list all pets currently in your household:

Species or Breed	Age	Sex	Indoor/Outdoor
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

The more particular you are regarding size, coat type, sex, and breed mix, the more difficult it will be to find the right match for you. Please describe the type of dog you **WOULD LIKE** to receive from us: _____

Would you consider taking a dog with pre-existing medical issues? YES_____ NO_____ MAYBE_____

Would you consider a retired Hearing Dog? YES_____ NO_____ MAYBE_____

FINANCIAL

Our dogs are provided to you free of charge, but you are solely responsible for all costs of keeping your dog fed and healthy. Normal on-going costs for food, toys, treats, veterinary care, and grooming can easily amount to \$750 - \$1,500 per year.

YES___ NO___ I understand I am fully responsible for the care of the dog.

YES___ NO___ I expect and am able to pay for veterinary expenses.

YES___ NO___ I understand that I need to feed my dog quality food.

YES___ NO___ I understand I need to keep my dog at a healthy weight.

PUBLIC ACCESS RIGHTS

Adoptable Dogs are only allowed in places where pets are normally allowed. They do NOT have any special rights.

I understand that I do not have legal access rights to take the dog that Dogs for the Deaf, Inc. may place with me into public places. In order to qualify for legal access rights under the Americans with Disabilities Act, the person must have a disability that is mitigated by one or more specific physical tasks performed by the dog. **I agree to neither attempt to exercise legal access rights nor represent to others that I have such access rights.**

Thank you for applying for a dog from Dogs for the Deaf, Inc.

Please sign below and mail or fax your application to: **Dogs for the Deaf, Inc.**
10175 Wheeler Road
Central Point, OR 97502
Fax 541-826-6696

I have read and understand the above information and verify that my answers are true and accurate. I am at least 18 years of age.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

If a Conservator or Guardian has been assigned, please sign here:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

DOGS FOR THE DEAF, INC. CONSIDERS ALL APPLICANTS AND DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE FOR ANY LEGALLY PROTECTED STATUS.

DOGS FOR THE DEAF, INC. GUARANTEES CONFIDENTIALITY OF ALL APPLICANT AND CLIENT INFORMATION.

Here is what your contribution will provide...

\$100	Initial vaccinations
\$300	Rescuing a dog from a shelter
\$500	Evaluation and tests plus spaying/neutering
\$1,000	Initial testing of the dog for alertness and aptitude for training
\$1,500	Taking a dog through the quarantine/evaluation period in preparation for training
\$2,000	Follow-up visits of five teams
\$3,000	Costs for placement week, going to applicants home with the dog, training the applicant, and transferring the dog to the person
\$5,000	You or your group being named as the sponsor of a dog at the time of placement

Dogs are placed FREE of charge with applicants nationwide and in Canada. The total cost of operating DFD comes from contributions from individuals, service clubs, businesses, foundations, memorials, and bequests. DFD is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization approved by the IRS. Donations are tax deductible according to current laws.

NO TAX DOLLARS support this program.