

**Unconditional Love Animal Rescue and Placement
Cat/Kitten Foster Application**

Thank you for applying to foster a cat/kitten for Unconditional Love Animal Rescue and Placement. Unconditional Love Animal Rescue and Placement is a 501(c)3 organization that rescues animals from euthanizing shelters and places them in loving homes. We appreciate your support in this endeavor and consider you a team member in our mission to save the lives of as many animals as possible.

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail: _____

Occupation: _____

PERSONAL REFERENCE:

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Best time to call this person: _____

VETERINARY INFORMATION:

Regular Veterinarian: _____

Clinic's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

CURRENT PET INFORMATION:

How many pets are currently members of your family? _____

Pet #1: _____ Species: _____

Altered? _____ Behavior toward cats: _____

Pet #2: _____ Species: _____

Altered? _____ Behavior toward cats: _____

Pet #3: _____ Species: _____

Altered? _____ Behavior toward cats: _____

Pet #4: _____ Species: _____

Altered? _____ Behavior toward cats: _____

Are all cats kept inside only? _____

HOME INFORMATION:

How many adults are in your home? _____

How many children? Include names/ages: _____

Are you agreeable to a home visit? _____

FOSTERING SPECIFICS:

Have you ever fostered a cat before? _____

Do you have experience with kittens? _____

Please describe your experience caring for the following:

Bottle babies: _____

Weaning: _____

4-8 wk olds: _____

Older kittens: _____

Adult cats: _____
Ages of animals you would most like to foster: _____

Have you ever worked with a cat/kitten with behavioral issues, medical needs, or special needs before? Explain: _____

Are you willing to work with a cat/kitten with behavioral issues, medical needs or special needs? _____

Circle the issues you are willing to work with:

Inappropriate Elimination Spraying Scratching
Agression Fearful/Shy Medical (Upper Respiratory)

Please describe the space in which you would keep a foster cat, away from your other pets: _____

*We request that a foster home be willing to commit to keeping a cat/kitten for four weeks. After four weeks, we suggest that the foster parent take a break from the fostering process for a period of at least two weeks. This is to prevent burnout and to disinfect environments which might have been exposed to diseases such as upper respiratory infection, coccidia, etc. Do you agree to foster an animal for the entire four week period once you commit to that particular animal? _____

I/We have completed this foster application to the best of our ability and assure all information contained within is true.

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Unconditional Love Foster Home Guidelines

I/We, _____, agree to receive a cat or _____ kitten(s) from Unconditional Love Animal Rescue and Placement, for the purpose of fostering until a permanent adoptive home can be found. I/we agree willingly to all the following terms of fostering:

- 1. Rights:** ULARP cats/kittens belong to ULARP and decisions regarding their placement, medical care, behavioral modification and euthanasia are exclusively made by the Director and Board of ULARP. Under no circumstances does a Foster Home have the right to sell, give away, abandon, donate, or euthanize a ULARP cat/kitten in their care. Furthermore, all medical treatments given or extreme behavior modification techniques must be discussed with and approved by the Director or a member of the Board of Directors before implementation.
- 2. Upkeep Costs:** As a foster parent, you are responsible for providing an indoor only environment for a ULARP cat/kitten, including food, water, litter box, litter and ample attention and one-to-one care. ULARP will provide the foster home with a supply of food, litter, and a litter box at the time the animal enters foster care. ULARP does not reimburse Foster Homes for supplies that they purchase; instead, we ask that we be called to provide more supplies to the Foster Home. We require a two day window of time during which to purchase and have supplies available for pick-up by the Foster Home. Any Foster Home wanting to contribute supplies in support of ULARP's mission is greatly appreciated. It is the prerogative of the Foster Home to buy additional items such as toys, scratching posts, etc. at their own expense. It is understood that fostering is not a short term event, and that these purchases might be necessary for the benefit of the animal. Please note: we limit foster families to one cat (or two already introduced cats) or one litter of up to four kittens at a time!
- 3. Vet Bills:** Pre-approved vet expenses will be reimbursed by ULARP; however, the foster parent agrees to use the veterinary services of Adobe Animal Hospital, 396 First Street, Los Altos, California (650) 948-9661 in order to be eligible for reimbursement. ULARP must have a copy of the original receipt and a completed Foster Home Application on file before reimbursement will be issued. Some cats enter into foster care without needing veterinary services, and others need care immediately: ULARP does its very best to place the healthiest of animals with each foster family. Each cat enters into

foster care having been vaccinated once (if old enough), dewormed, Advantage, tested for fecal parasites and tested for FELV and FIV (if old enough). ULARP will provide for additional vet care necessary during the course of the foster agreement. ULARP's Director will establish appointments and pick up and/or drop off any ULARP animal needing medical services, if requested by the Foster Home. Vaccines paid for by ULARP include three FVRCP's (for kittens needing the series, or one for adults) and the initial rabies vaccine. ULARP does not reimburse for FIP or FeLV vaccines, as it is against our philosophy as an organization to vaccinate our animals for these diseases.

4. **Altering:** ULARP will establish altering appointments when kittens reach two pounds. A ULARP Board Member or Director will establish the appointment and notify the foster parent to make necessary arrangements. All adults, unless ill, will be altered before entering foster care.
5. **Emergencies:** In the case of a life and death emergency, the Foster Parents must act in the best interest of the animal. Every effort must be made to contact a ULARP Officer in the event of an emergency. It is understood, however, that at times this is not possible. In the event of an emergency during which an Officer cannot be reached, ULARP authorizes the minimal amount of vet care to be administered to ensure the animal is free of pain and out of danger, until the time at which an Officer can be contacted. In case of severe emergency where euthanasia is recommended by the veterinarian, ULARP will reimburse for the cost of the procedure. A written report of the event should be made by the veterinarian and sent to ULARP along with the receipt. **The decision to euthanize a cat for any reason other than that of an emergency is the sole decision of the Officers of ULARP.**
6. **Pre-existing Pets:** ULARP cats/kittens should be kept away from existing pets in the household. ULARP cannot take responsibility for any injury or illness sustained by a non-ULARP cat. If the fostering period extends the entire four weeks and the Foster Home wishes to introduce the foster cat(s) to existing pets, this should first be discussed and approved by the Director. Be certain that vaccines for your own animals are kept current. It is always necessary to quarantine the rescue cat for a week or two—if this is not possible, we need to know. The foster home is a vital part of rescue; it is important to remember, though, that this is an interim placement for the animal. While we want you to enjoy the cat and we definitely want the cat to feel secure,

permanent placement will be easier for the entire foster family and the animal if the animal does not settle in and bond strongly only to find that he/she is being sent away.

7. **Behavioral Issues:** Some examples of behavioral issues which you might encounter include inappropriate elimination, spraying, scratching furniture, aggression to humans or other animals, and severe shyness/fear of people. In many cases, the cat simply needs to be in a loving, quiet environment away from other pets and noise. The Foster Home will be informed of any behavioral issue that the Officers are aware of prior to foster placement. We ask that the Foster Home inform us immediately regarding a behavior not known by ULARP. Under no circumstances should severe disciplinary or modification correction techniques be applied without ULARP approval. If any of these actions occur and are not approved, it will result in the removal of the cat from the Foster Home immediately! We rely on communication between ULARP and the Foster Home to determine the best solutions and care for each individual animal. Any information you can give us about the animal will help us place him/her in the most appropriate environment.
8. **Previous/Future Guardians:** We ask that the Foster Home not contact previous guardians or future adopters once the animal has been surrendered or adopted. ULARP will provide updates regarding the animal to the Foster Home as they are received. We enjoy sharing successes with all of you who were involved in the life of a specific animal! We require that this communication originate solely from the Officers to avoid potential conflicts and liabilities. If an adoptive home contacts a Foster Family, ULARP must be notified immediately.
9. **Involvement in Adoption:** Foster Homes provide necessary feedback to appropriately place foster animals. Adoption and placement is at the sole discretion of the Officers of ULARP; however, we utilize any and all information regarding the animal to determine most suitable placement. If a potential adopter visits your foster animal in your home, that adopter will have already been pre-screened by Officers of ULARP; however, we do value your opinion and, if you feel that the potential adopter is not the best choice for your foster animal, we want to know. If your foster animal and the potential adopter are a good match, then a ULARP officer will pick up the animal from your home and transport him/her to his/her new home once the application is complete and the adoption fee is paid.

10. **Liability:** The Foster Home accepts responsibility for any and all events that occur in the fostering of a ULARP animal. The Foster Home agrees to release and indemnify ULARP from any and all claims, known and unknown, now and hereafter, arising in connection with the animal(s).
11. **Attorney Fees and Costs:** Should it be necessary for ULARP or its agents and volunteers to take legal action to recover a foster cat or otherwise enforce any provisions of this agreement, Foster Home agrees to pay all court costs and legal fees.
12. **Certification of Full Disclosure:** The Foster Home attests that all information provided in the accompanying "Cat Foster Application" is accurate and complete to the best of the Foster Home's knowledge.
13. **Forum, Integration, and Severability:** This written agreement constitutes the whole agreement between the undersigned and ULARP, and no prior oral or written agreements not explicitly included in this document are to be considered as part of this contract. Wherever possible, the terms and conditions of this agreement shall be interpreted in such a manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law, but if any provision shall be prohibited by or invalid under applicable law, such provision shall be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity without invalidating the remainder of this agreement.
14. **Multiple Fosterers:** Where more than one person appears as Foster Home in this agreement, each person agrees to be jointly and severably liable under the terms of this agreement, and responsible for compliance with each of its terms and conditions.
15. **Liquidated Damages:** In the event that the Foster Home abandons or otherwise transfers the cat without the prior written permission of an Officer, or if a cat is abused or mistreated in violation of this agreement, Foster Home agrees to pay ULARP \$500 in liquidation damages, covering costs including but not limited to: veterinary treatment, time, transportation expended in locating the cat, travel expenses in recovering the cat, expenses already invested to improve the cat's health, and for legal and other investigative expenses.

I agree with all provisions of this contract.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____