**DOLLY’S LEGACY ANIMAL RESCUE FOSTER GUIDELINES**

Thank you for your interest in fostering a rescue dog or cat for Dolly’s Legacy Animal Rescue! The number of lives we can save depends upon volunteer foster homes as we are a foster-based rescue group. You will truly be saving a life by becoming a foster parent!

Please read below for our guidelines regarding fostering for DLAR:

\*Must be minimum age of 21with adequate housing, fenced yard preferable if fostering a dog but not required. If renting, must have written approval from landlord to have pet in your residence.

\*\*DLAR will provide all veterinary care (must be pre-approved for non-emergency care) at a designated veterinary hospital. Foster agrees to bring the pet to the vet for scheduled appointments or if there is an emergency. Primary vet hospital for DLAR is Vintage Heights Animal Hospital at 8400 Old Cheney Road in Lincoln, NE. Foster must be able to transport foster pet for appointments to this location.

\*Foster will provide a loving &secure home environment as well as quality food. If the rescue has received donated food, it will be offered to fosters, otherwise food is to be provided by the foster family for the foster pet.

\*The dog or cat needs to be kept inside, and treated as a member of the family. Please be patient with your foster pet(s). Many have come from situations where they have never known to depend on humans for love and comfort. While they crave this love and comfort, they may not know how to go about getting it. They must learn how to behave in the way we want them to. All

of our pets are extremely grateful to have been given a second chance at life, and we feel they deserve to live a life filled with love and happiness.

\*Our rescue pets come from many different types of situations and most with unknown history. Many of them have been abandoned or orphaned through no fault of their own and are victims of human irresponsibility. It is our mission to give them the chance they so desperately need. We will provide you as much information as we have from sending shelter, animal control, previous owner, etc. We cannot guarantee temperament or health.

\*DLAR is responsible for finding a home for the pet. The foster family must not place him/her in a home that has not been through the DLAR adoption process. We do, however, appreciate all the help you can give us to find an appropriate home. If you have someone interested in your foster pet, have them apply through our website at www.DollysLegacyAnimalRescue.org

\*While DLAR will make every effort to help match you with a safe and nondestructive pet, they are living creatures and thus unpredictable and we cannot be held responsible for any damage to either person or property caused by the foster pet.

\*DLAR will ensure that the pet is current on vaccinations and has been treated for parasites if any are found, but as with any pet, we cannot guarantee that it will not have any ailments or undetected parasites or illness. It is important that the foster family observe all pets in the household for any abnormal stools, weight loss or behavior that may indicate an illness and report back to DLAR if anything is noticed.

\*It is strongly recommended that new foster pets be kept separated from personal pets for 7 days to ensure a smooth transition as well as preventative measure in case of illness. As stated above, DLAR provides veterinary care for foster pets, but not for personal pets should any illness be transmitted.

\*All foster questions should be directed to the Foster Coordinator with DLAR. Contact information will be provided once you are an approved foster home with a foster pet.