

CELEBRATION OF CANINE LIVES SANCTUARY

ADOPTION APPLICATION



Thank you for expressing an interest in adopting a dog from Celebration of Canine Lives Sanctuary. Before you begin, please understand that completion of this paperwork does not guarantee that you will be able to adopt a dog from us nor does completion of this paperwork require you to follow through with an adoption. It is simply a step in the adoption process. Please answer these questions as honestly and thoroughly as possible. Incomplete applications will not be processed. Providing misleading information or failing to disclose pertinent information will result in immediate denial of the adoption application. Lastly, please understand that these dogs have come to CCLS because society has failed them. When we adopt them out, we are placing the rest of the dogs' lives in the adopter's hands. We take this process very seriously; every decision we make is in the dog's best interests. We will be in contact with you shortly after receiving your application.

BASIC INFORMATION:

Name(s) of All Adults Living in the Household: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Email: _____

1. What type of home do you live in? (a) city home () , (b) country home () , (c) apartment () , (d) trailer in trailer park () , (e) condominium () , (f) other (please specify) _____
2. Do you own your own home or do you rent? _____
3. If you rent, do you have your landlord's permission to have a pet? Yes () No()
Unsure ()

4. If you rent, please provide your Landlord's name and phone number. _____

5. Do you plan to move in the near future? _____
6. What will happen to your pet when/if you move at different times of your life? _____

HOME LIFE FOR THE DOG

About Your Family:

1. Has anyone in your family ever been convicted of animal cruelty? _____
2. How many people live in your home? Please list their ages. _____

3. Who will be this dog's primary caretaker(s)? _____

Your Current Pets:

Please tell us about ALL the pets you currently have. For each pet, please answer the following questions.

1. Pet's Name: _____
2. Pet's Species: _____
3. Are they Spayed/Neutered? () If not, why? _____
4. Where do they live? (indoor, outdoor, both) _____
5. Please use additional space on back if needed.

Your Pet History:

Please tell us about ALL the pets you had as an adult that you no longer have. Next to each pet, please indicate why you no longer have them. Please use additional space on back if needed.

1. Have you ever had to surrender a pet to a shelter or rescue group? () If yes, please explain. _____

2. Have you ever given away or sold a pet? () If yes, please explain. _____

3. Have you ever had a pet euthanized before? () If yes, please explain. _____

Home Life for the Dog:

1. Where will the dog be kept when you are home? (a) free-roam of the house (), (b) confined to a certain area(s) of the house (), (c) in the yard (), (d) in the garage (), (e) in the basement (), (f) in a crate ()
2. Where will the dog be kept when left home alone? (a) free-roam of the house (), (b) confined to a certain area(s) of the house (), (c) in the yard (), (d) in the garage (), (e) in the basement (), (f) in a crate ()
3. Do you have a fenced in yard? Yes () No ()
- a. If yes, is it fully fenced? _____
- b. How tall is the fence? _____
- c. What is the fencing material made of? _____

***Please note:** A fenced in yard is not a requirement for adoption. However, it may be a requirement for certain dogs. We do not adopt to homes that utilize electronic fencing containment systems.

4. Will this dog ever be allowed off-leashed in an uncontained area? Yes () No ()
- a. If yes, please describe the type of circumstances the dog would be allowed to be off-leash. _____

5. On average, how many hours will the dog be left alone each day? _____
6. Do you plan to hire/utilize a dog walker on days your schedule requires you to spend more time at work? _____
7. Do you plan to use doggy daycare on days your schedule requires you to spend more time at work? _____

Note: We seek to place every one of our dogs into homes in which his/her physical, mental and social needs can be met on a daily basis. Therefore, we prefer homes where dogs can have human companionship for most of the day. We recognize, however, that many people work full-time jobs. We encourage individuals/families to explore the different ways (hiring a dogwalker/dogsitter, doggy daycare, take your dog to work, etc.) that your dog can receive quality attention and enrichment each day. While we do not discriminate against those working full-time, we recognize that spending 7 or more hours alone most days of the week is not in the best interests of an active, sociable dog.

8. Do children visit your home on a regular basis? Yes (___) No (___)
- a. If yes, do you wish to have your dog get to know these children?
Yes (___) No (___)

You and Your Dog:

This section is intended to help each of our dogs find homes where they will be the happiest. Please note that there are no "right" or "wrong" answers here-each dog has different needs, different interests and different personalities, so this section is to help match the dogs up with the most compatible family and living environment.

Please rate your interest in sharing the following activities with a dog on a scale from 1-5:

1=not interested at all

2=a little interested, but not much

3=I'll do it if the dog enjoys it, but it isn't that interesting to me

4=that sounds like fun, I'll want to give that a try

5=I would absolutely love to partake in this activity with my dog

- a. *Taking agility classes (___)
- b. *Going for long walks (___)
- c. *Exploring new and enjoying familiar hiking trails (___)
- d. *Taking your dog swimming (___)
- e. *Play dates with other dogs (___)
- f. *Taking your dog to work (___)
- g. *Getting a Canine Good Citizen Certificate (___)
- h. *Therapy Dog Work (___)
- i. *Nose Work (___)
- j. *Visiting/interacting with lots of new people
- k. *Traveling with your dog
- l. *Frisbee (___)
- m. *Trips to public places like festivals, Tractor Supply Stores, etc. (___)
9. While each dog is an individual who needs and enjoys differing amounts of physical exercise, mental enrichment and social opportunities, engagement with these three components on a regular basis play an important role in canine emotional health. Lack of appropriate environmental stimulation often plays a role in boredom, obesity and other behavioral issues. While we certainly do not expect adopters to entertain their dogs all day, we do want adopters to understand the importance of enrichment and integrating the

dogs into the family activities whenever possible.
Do you agree with this? Yes (___) No (___)

10. Please check any behavior issues you would not be able to deal with and would make you want to return the dog to CCLS:
- a. *Lots of barking (___)
 - b. *Separation anxiety (___)
 - c. *Aggression/biting (___)
 - d. *Dog eliminating in the house (___)
 - e. *Reactivity toward other dogs (___)
 - f. *High prey drive (___)
 - g. *Fearful behavior (___)
 - h. *Digging (___)
 - i. *Destruction of items in home (___)
 - j. *Nothing-I will make a lifetime commitment to this pet and work through any issues. (___)

11. Please elaborate on any potential concerns. Remember, we are here to help you find your dream dog and work through any issues that may arise. _____

12. If your dog starts to exhibit behavior you do not like, how do you plan to correct the dog and the situation? Please explain. _____

13. Are you okay with CCLS coming to your home and doing a home visit before the adoption process is complete? Yes (___) No (___) Maybe (___)

Please note that with the above question, we do not care how big your house is, how many rooms it has, how luxurious it is or how clean it is. The purpose for the home visit is to see where the dogs we have saved and cared for will be living. We want to ensure the environment is safe and well-matched for the particular dog and we also want to establish a relationship with adopters as two parties that care about the dog's well-being forever.

14. Do you feel financially prepared to care for this dog both now and for the next 15 or so years? Yes (___) No (___) Unsure (___)

Please understand that yearly care for this dog may cost anywhere from \$1,000.00 to \$5,000.00, possibly more. In addition to yearly veterinary checkups, an adopter may come across unexpected expenses for an animal, such as emergency care or a chronic illness that develops as the dog ages. Please share your feelings about the level of care you can provide this dog and why you feel that way. _____

15. What drew you into wanting to adopt this particular dog and what makes you (and your family) a good match for him/her? _____

16. Please provide three personal references that aren't related to you and do not live with you that can attest to your love and care for animals.

a. Reference 1:

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

b. Reference 2:

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

c. Reference 3:

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please provide the name and telephone number of your veterinary clinic. Also, please call them and give them permission to discuss your veterinary history with us. We are looking to confirm that your current pets are up-to-date on shots, spayed/neutered and receive appropriate medical care. If you use more than one veterinary clinic, please include both names and numbers. If you have recently changed veterinary clinics or have moved, please include the name and phone number of the previous clinic you used.

Veterinary Clinic(s):

Phone Number(s)

I attest that all the information I have provided above is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Adopter(s)

Dated: _____

Signature of CCLS Representative

Dated: _____