



# In Home Surrender/Foster Program

For Southern Aroostook County, Maine

The Ark Animal Sanctuary has implemented this program to work in partnership with pet owners who have the need to re-home their pets due to unexpected circumstances, whether brought on by health concerns, financial issues, etc.

Under this program, the animal will remain at home with his/her owner/guardian while photos of the pet are networked through the Ark's online system.

Keeping a pet in his/her own home environment while networking for a new adoptive home is beneficial for the animal in reducing the stress and confusion of suddenly being in a strange place, cared for by strangers. A calm pet is a healthier pet and more appealing to potential adopters. This also alleviates the financial burden and space requirements on the sanctuary/rescue/shelter where the pet would have been placed.

## How It Works

- You email photos and info of your pet to [keeper@arksanctuary.com](mailto:keeper@arksanctuary.com) along with your name and phone number. Your contact info will not be made public. However, you will be the contact for potential adopters, so your first name and number/or email will be given to them upon inquiry. We will simply forward an inquiry email, if possible.
- Your pet's photo will be displayed on Ark Animal Sanctuary's website, Petfinder and Facebook pages.
- All inquiries about your pet will be referred to you. Setting up meet & greets will be your responsibility. If you're not comfortable using your home or meeting someone alone at theirs, take along a friend or meet at a public place. The Hollywood Pet Salon at 70 Main St. in Houlton will allow meet & greets during normal business hours with the courtesy of a call-ahead (532-7387).

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- If you are not normally a ‘computer person’, you may bring your pet’s photo to Hollywood Pet Salon along with your phone contact and it will be put into the Ark’s system.
- You agree to contact the Ark Animal Sanctuary as soon as your pet is adopted so his/her photo may be removed from the online pages.
- By utilizing this program, you understand and agree the Ark Animal Sanctuary bears no responsibility and/or obligation in the re-homing of your pet or any consequences which may arise during or after the process. You agree this is strictly a good faith gesture on the part of AAS to help you find a new loving home for your pet.

### **ARK ANIMAL SANCTUARY**

(Temporary Address)

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