

ARF Adoption Procedures



Our goal is to match the personality and needs of our animals to an appropriate home environment and family. A “good fit” ensures that both you and your pet will be happy together.

Several volunteers will participate in screening your application. This process involves reviewing your answers on the completed application and contacting your references. We want to make sure you will make a life time commitment to the pet and that you will be a responsible pet owner providing proper medical care. If multiple applications are received on the same animal and two or more of those are appropriate homes, the animal will be adopted to the qualified home which submitted an application first.

You may be contacted by one of our volunteers to discuss any questions we may have regarding the answers you have given on your application. If you have not heard anything from the Animal Rescue Foundation by the Wednesday following your application date, please leave your name, number and the name of the animal you applied for on our monitored line:

622-5962

Please indicate in your message that you filled out an application and have not gotten any word on the application status. If your application is approved, you will be notified by one of our volunteers. They will put you in touch with the person fostering that animal, and together you and the foster home will make arrangements to pick-up the animal at one of the following clinics:

15th Street Veterinary Group

6231 E. 15th St.
Tulsa, OK 74112

South Memorial Animal Hospital

7924 East 55th Street
Tulsa, OK 74145

Cedarwood Veterinary Clinic

1412 South Harvard.
Tulsa, OK 74112

Veterinary Associates

6925 South 69th East Avenue
Tulsa, OK 74133

At the vet’s office, you will pay the adoption fee (\$125 for dogs unless otherwise noted, \$90 for cats) in either cash or money order made payable to the Animal Rescue Foundation. This fee helps us cover some of the costs of spaying/neutering and tattooing the animal, getting it current on its shots and check it for heartworms (dogs) or feline leukemia (cats). Cats will not be tattooed. If you are adopting a dog, the vet will ask you that you purchase a six (6) month’s supply of monthly heartworm preventative. Because we don’t know the history of our pets the “Proheart 6” six-month shot is not allowed. This usually costs around \$20, depending on the size of the animal. Medical records on your pet and information from a national tattoo-a-pet service will arrive later by mail.

If your adopted pet becomes ill within the first ten days of your ownership, please notify us at 622-5962 and we will make arrangements for the animal to be seen by one of our veterinarians at no cost to you. If you choose to take the pet to your own vet you will be responsible for all charges at your vet.

Occasionally, the fit is not right and you may feel you must return your new pet. If this happens, please contact us at 622-5962 and we will make arrangements for you to return that animal as soon as we can work it into the system (returns may take up to two weeks, but will be finalized as soon as possible.) We cannot refund your money, but will allow you to select another animal as long as your home is suitable for that particular pet.

Needed at the time of adoption:

1. One hundred and twenty-five dollars in cash, check or money order made out to Animal Rescue Foundation.
2. If you are adopting a dog or puppy, you will need to purchase of six month’s heartworm preventative for your new pet. This normally costs \$25, depending on the size of your pet and may be paid by cash, check or credit card. **The Proheart 6 shot may not be given as the 6-month’s protection.**

After the Adoption:

1. Go to our website www.arftulsa.petfinder.com use the ShelterCare banner at the bottom of the page to go to sheltercare.com. Click the box on the upper right side to Activate 2 months of FREE pet care insurance. This is completely FREE and covers almost all illnesses and accidents for the first two months. If you decide to purchase a policy, Please use the banner link on our Webpage, www.arftulsa.petfinder.com; you get great pet health insurance and ARF gets a donation of \$25!
2. Follow up with ARF or the former foster home of any problems or success stories. We love to know that our former charges have found incredible new homes.