

Virtual Foster Program Tip Sheet

1. How can I learn more about my Virtual Foster Pet?

The packet we have provided to you includes information about your pet's history, medical status, and behavioral assessment. Your pet is more than facts on a piece of paper – the best way to learn about their personality is to spend time with them!

2. What can I do with my Virtual Foster Pet?

Dogs: Walk the PHS property. Socialize in an interaction room. Groom. Practice clicker training. Go for a field trip wearing an "adopt me" bandanna to the beach, local pet friendly restaurants, etc.

Cats: Socialize in an interaction room. Groom. Practice clicker training.

3. What can't I do with my Virtual Foster Pet?

Please follow PHS safety rules for all animals with your virtual foster pet. Do not allow the pet to run outdoors off leash unless supervised in an 8 ft fence or to interact with other animals without staff supervision.

4. How can I tell others about my Virtual Foster Pet?

Post photos and stories about your virtual foster pet to social media! Be sure to tag Portsmouth Humane Society and use the hashtag #PHSVirtualFoster.

5. I learned something new about my Virtual Foster Pet! Who should I tell?

For behavioral observations (ex: likes squeaky toys), e-mail volunteer@portsmouthhumanesociety.org. For medical observations or urgent behavioral observations (ex: snapping at a child), tell a PHS staff member.

6. How can I support my foster pet with donations?

The animals in our care benefit from durable toys that make them think, like stuffable rubber kongs or other puzzles. Donations to our general fund help us continue providing the best care possible to your virtual foster and their furry friends.

7. What if someone I know wants to adopt my Virtual Foster Pet?

Wonderful! Ask them to visit PHS to fill out an application and talk with a staff member.

8. How will I know if my Virtual Foster Pet gets adopted?

If your virtual foster pet gets adopted, a staff member will call you to share the news!