

PAWS 4 THE CAUSE

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Owner Surrender Assistance

“We can help!”

We are sorry to hear that you are giving up your family pet. We find that most problems can be worked through with assistance and patience, but sometimes owners have decided that pet ownership is too difficult at this time.

As a rescue, we take in the most difficult cases, animals that have been abused, abandoned and have never been given a chance at a home. The statistics are brutal: hundreds of dogs are put to death each and every day throughout Kentucky.

We would love to take in all “Owner Surrenders”, but we cannot. Once a dog has been raised in a home with a family, that is typically their only and best opportunity, especially if it is a larger dog or a pit breed. Our resources are very thin, and we can barely afford the vet and housing costs for the homeless and injured that we take in. Before listing your pet with us, we would encourage you to exhaust any and all resources of your own such as family and friends. Craig’s List should never be used, and strangers should be treated very cautiously. Passive dogs are frequently used as bait for dog fighting operations.

That being said, we can help, and sometimes with very good results. The key to us being to help you is for you to provide us with as much information as possible and to be patient while we go through the search process. The first thing to do is to provide us with pictures and a detailed description of your pet. If your pet is smaller and/or resembles a sought-after breed, that will make the process much easier. We have been able to successfully place many owner surrenders utilizing our contacts and social media! Please let us know if you would like us to help, and we will kick into high gear, spreading the word far and wide with information about your dog. If we find a suitable home for your pet, then you will have to surrender the pet to us and we will, in turn, place the pet in their new home.

Please fill out the following and forward to info@paws4thecause.com along with as many pictures as you can.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Home Phone: _____ Work: _____

DOB: _____ Age: _____ Occupation: _____

Email: _____

1. Name of Pet:
2. Male or Female?
3. Color:
4. Breed:
5. Size when grown:
6. Is pet a mix breed? If so, Secondary breed:
7. Age:
8. Birth Date:
9. Why are you surrendering your pet? List any bad habits or problems:

10. How long have you owned this pet?
11. Is pet house trained?
12. Is pet Spayed/Neutered?
13. Is pet current on vaccinations?
14. Does pet have a micro-chip?

15. Check all that apply:

Pet prefers home without:

____ Dogs (specify male, female of both) ____ Cats ____ Kids

16. Are you the only owner of this pet?

17. Has your pet bit anyone within the last 14 days?

18. Are you able to provide any funds to assist with the placement and temporary care of your pet?

19. How long can you keep the pet while we search for a home?

20. Do you give us permission to share pet information with others during this process (we will not share your personal info)?

If approved for surrender or re-homing, we will need a copy of your driver's license, and we will require as much up-to-date medical information as possible concerning your pet. You should also bring any items associated with your pet, such as food, toys, collars etc. Once surrendered, a pet cannot be retrieved by the original owner for any reason.

Thank you for completing this questionnaire. Please note it is not our intent to invade your privacy. Our purpose is to find a caring, responsible, and humane permanent home for our animals, and at the same time assist you in finding the best possible option.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

WE ENCOURAGE PEOPLE WHO SURRENDER TO BE CAREFUL IN THE FUTURE ABOUT MAKING A COMMITMENT TO AN ANIMAL. IF YOU HAVE FOUND YOURSELF IN A POSITION OF SURRENDERING A PET, THAT IS A STRONG INDICATOR THAT YOU MIGHT NOT BE A SUITABLE PET OWNER IN THE FUTURE. IF YOU LOVE ANIMALS, PLEASE DONATE TO YOUR AREA RESCUE, SO THEY CAN CARE FOR THEM ON YOUR BEHALF.