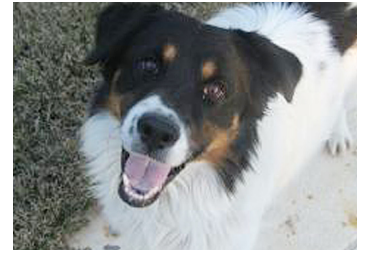


# BE A FOSTER SAVE A LIFE



*Foster dog Pogo*

**The Austin Humane Society's Volunteer Foster Care Program provides temporary housing and care for dogs, cats, puppies and kittens who aren't quite ready for adoption. In 2008, our network of foster volunteers helped to save the lives of over 1,000 animals! We need loving homes like yours to continue helping these animals in need of a little extra time and care.**

## **Foster Volunteer FAQs**

### **What kind of animals need foster care?**

- Puppies and kittens under two months old
- Mothers with nursing litters
- Dogs and cats with medical conditions or injuries
- Special needs fosters

### **Can I become a foster volunteer if I have pets of my own?**

Yes, we welcome pet owners as foster volunteers. Please keep in mind that there is always a health risk when exposing your pets to other animals, in any setting. However, the risk is minimal if your pets are vaccinated and in good health.

### **How long do animals need to stay in foster care?**

The typical foster stay is two weeks to two months, depending on the needs of the individual animal(s) in your care. The timeframe of each foster situation will be discussed with you ahead of time.

### **What expenses are involved with foster care?**

Foster families provide housing, food, bedding and toys for the animals in their care. They also provide exercise, socialization and lots of love! The Austin Humane Society provides all medical care for animals in foster homes, including vaccination, medications and spay/neuter surgery.



*Foster puppy Brisket*

*Foster kitten  
Amos*



**If you are interested in joining the Foster Volunteer Team at AHS, contact the program coordinator at [fostercare@austinhumanesociety.org](mailto:fostercare@austinhumanesociety.org) or at 512-685-0112**