

RSPCA Animal Fosterer

As an animal fosterer, you would be supporting the RSPCA North West London and South Hertfordshire Branch in providing either our cats, rabbits, guinea pigs, or other small furries with the safety of your home whilst tending to their welfare needs such as feeding and grooming. In addition to this, by providing a temporary loving environment, you will play a crucial role in their wellbeing and socialisation, which will significantly improve their chances of successful rehoming.

Once everything is in place, the animal centre will guide you through the fostering process and ensure that you have all the necessary equipment, food, and veterinary care for your foster. The RSPCA is also happy to reimburse any other pre-agreed expenses that you may incur through volunteering for us.

Whilst our animals are in your foster care, you will:

- Provide them with care, suitable housing, and a safe environment as per our policies and guidelines
- Feed, water, and groom them in line with our advice
- Transport them to any veterinary appointments if required
- Provide them with your time and patience
- Help us spread the word about the animals in your care so they might find their forever home quicker
- Playing and cuddles are also a must!

What we are looking for in a volunteer Fosterer

- Volunteers aged 18 or over who have had plenty of experience caring for animals
- Fostering experience is beneficial but not essential as training is provided
- For their wellbeing, the whole family should be on board with fostering an animal
- Any existing pets or animals need to have been spayed/neutered (some medical reasons may mean they cannot be so, please let us know if this is the case)
- You will need to live in our branches area
- You will need to be able to pick up supplies from our office in Eastcote and transport animals to the vets for routine and emergency appointments

What we can offer you as a volunteer Fosterer

- You will be making a massive difference to the welfare of the animals in your care
- Join a community which will enable you to meet new people and make new friends
- Learning new skills through our comprehensive induction and fostering training programme
- Enhance your CV by adding your volunteering experience and newly acquired skills

It is worth mentioning that our animals do have different needs as whilst some are ready for rehoming others may require rehabilitation or ongoing medication. Therefore, we also aim to understand your situation and circumstances to ensure that we match you with your perfect foster animal.

Requirements for the role / additional information

1. We're looking for people aged 18 years or over
2. We require an ongoing commitment of at least 6 months
3. You will receive an induction and specific training for the role
4. You will have the support of the Animal Welfare team at the RSPCA North West London and South Hertfordshire Branch
5. A reference can be requested after 4 months continuous volunteering
6. A DBS check is not required
7. Travel expenses can be claimed for this role
8. RSPCA voluntary roles are subject to an informal interview with the RSPCA and a trial period.
You may need to sign an agreement

How to apply

1. Visit [volunteering | Volunteer Hub | H4ALL](#) and download or print an application form OR Email volunteerhub@h4all.org.uk to request an application form to be sent to you by email or post.
2. Send your completed form by email to volunteerhub@h4all.org.uk OR post to H4ALL, Volunteer Development Team, Key House, Yiewsley, UB7 9BQ.
3. Call 01895-676-111 to speak to a member of the H4ALL volunteering team in person.