

## OUR MISSION:

Our mission is to rescue, re-home, or otherwise save as many dogs & puppies as possible from the Baton Rouge Metropolitan Statistical Area (11 parishes).

Since starting in 2010, FOTA has found fur-ever homes for more than 7,700 animals from the EBR Parish shelter, other area shelters, and the FASS program.

## WHY DO WE NEED FOSTERS?

No dogs stay overnight at the FOTA house. The house is essentially a daycare for dogs in need of adoption. At the FOTA house, they can be seen & visited with by potential adopters. At the end of the day, everyone has to have a place to go – foster home, shelter, or boarding paid by FOTA.

## HOW DOES FOSTERING HELP?

Fostering helps the dogs and helps FOTA continue saving animals. Fostering:

- Gets dogs out of kennels & into homes; Photos of the dogs in homes & out playing provide a fuller, richer, picture of who the dogs are outside of kennels.
- Provides FOTA with invaluable information that makes adoptions easier & more successful, things like:
  - Gets along with other dogs
  - Good with cats
  - Great with children
  - Loves outdoors
  - Understands commands
  - Is a cuddler
- Saves FOTA money that may otherwise be spent on boarding

## OUR LOCATION:

8476 Highland Rd.

Baton Rouge, LA 70808

## HOURS:

Mon.: Closed

Tues. - Fri.: 11:30 am - 5:00 pm

Sat. & Sun.: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

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**PLEASE FILL OUT A FOSTER  
APPLICATION TODAY!**

They are available at the FOTA house,  
or online at:

[www.fotabr.org/foster-1](http://www.fotabr.org/foster-1)

# FOSTERING



## WHO CAN FOSTER?

Anyone who is at least 19 years old, completes a foster application, and passes a landlord & vet check.

## 3 TYPES OF FOSTERING:

### 1. WEEKEND FOSTERING

(Friday pm - Monday am)

#### HOW IT WORKS:

**Friday:** Pickup by 5:00 pm

We'll have the dog & a bag of everything you need ready to go! Bag includes: food, treats, bowls, blanket or bed, toys, leash, & collar. A kennel is also available if you need one.

**Saturday:**

Drop-off 10:30- 11:00 am (back door)

Pickup 3:00 pm

**Sunday:**

Drop-off 10:30- 11:00 am (back door)

Pickup 3:00 pm

If you cannot foster Sunday night, please let us know on your application.

**Monday:**

Drop-off 7:30-9:00 am

Return bag & kennel  
Weekend fostering done

If you can keep your foster dog until Tuesday morning, they can stay home Monday as we are not open to the public. However, we are open during the stated return window for those returning Monday.

## 2. FULL-TIME FOSTERING

(7 days per week)

#### HOW IT WORKS:

**Monday:**

Since we are closed to the public on Mondays, dogs stay home on Mondays. They can still come to FOTA for the day if necessary. Please just let us know in advance.

Drop-off 7:30-9:00 am

Pick up 4:00 - 5:00 pm

**Tuesday – Friday:**

Drop-off 7:30 – 9:00 am or at 11:30 am  
(NOT OPEN 9:00 am - 11:30 am)

Pickup by 5:00 pm

**Saturday & Sunday:**

Drop-off 10:30- 11:00 am (back door)

Pickup 3:00 pm

We recognize how much time & love goes into full-time fostering. Therefore it is the full-time foster who selects the adopter of their foster dog from the approved adoption applications!

## 3. CUSTOM FOSTERING

#### HOW IT WORKS:

We can work with you to create a plan that works for you. We may have fosters who can only foster on Tuesday nights, who will be available for a few random days, or someone who needs some other creative plan to make fostering work for them!

## OTHER IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW:

- **WE APPRECIATE YOU!** As a foster, you are giving a dog a “leg-up” in getting adopted. Having feedback from you really makes a difference to potential adopters.  
**THANK YOU!**
- You don't get to choose the dog you foster, but we will give you one who closely matches the size & age preferences you list on your application.
- **NEVER FEEL BAD ABOUT SAYING “NO”.** Sometimes you just can't. We understand. You love animals and do what you can when you can. We appreciate whatever you can do whenever you can do it!
- Weekend drop-off is at the back door of the FOTA House
- We do have a few things that we need from you in order for things to go smoothly:
  - \*Dogs need to be at the FOTA house daily if possible. This is especially true on weekends. They need to be seen to get adopted; so the more hours at the house, the better.
  - \*If you have an emergency & cannot bring the dog on a given day, please call the FOTA house to let us know asap.
  - \*The FOTA house closes at 5:00 pm on weekdays and at 3:00 pm on weekends. It is imperative that you pick up your foster before closing time.
- **We've got your back!** Ask for our help with any problems you encounter. Contact us in case of a medical emergency with your foster dog. We find respite fosters when our full-time fosters need a break. We are here to help make fostering as easy and as enjoyable as possible for you!