

The Farley Foundation-Adoption Process

1. View our available dogs for adoption at: www.Farleyfoundationnc.com
Download the adoption application: <http://www.farleyfoundationnc.com/adopt/> or for further inquiries please contact Betsy Ficarro at adopt4leggeds@aol.com or call 910-315-9569. Calls are typically returned after 5:00 PM EST (when there's less barking). ☺
2. Please complete and print the adoption application and send it to adopt4leggeds@aol.com. **Incomplete applications will be returned.** If you would like to receive the application in another format (Word.doc or PDF), please email adopt4leggeds@aol.com.
3. Once your application has been submitted, you will be notified. Processing may require a few days for veterinarian and other reference checks. If your application has been approved, you will be contacted to schedule a Meet & Greet. The Farley Foundation ("TFF") is a private facility and Meet & Greets are by **APPOINTMENT ONLY**. Meet & Greets are scheduled during normal operating hours Sunday through Saturday from 10:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Directions and contacts numbers will be given once the Meet & Greet is scheduled. The Farley Foundation encourages all family members to be present at the Meet & Greet, including dogs residing in the home. Please wear comfortable clothing and good (closed toe) walking shoes. Adopters bringing their own dog (s) must keep their pet(s) on a short (no more than 4 feet) lead. **NO EXTENDER LEADS, PLEASE.** Underage children must be likewise kept under control.
4. **Upon arrival, please call 910-315-9569** and someone will greet you in the parking lot. If you are bringing your pets, please keep them in your vehicle until you have had the opportunity to meet your possible new companion. Once initial introductions are made, we will take a short walk with the adopter's dog(s) keeping dogs a safe distance of 6 feet apart. This time will allow the dogs the chance to relax prior going "nose to nose." After a TFF Staff person feels it's appropriate, a short nose to nose introduction will be initiated and the walk will resume. An off leash introduction will be initiated once inside the secured, fenced area of the facility and monitored by the adopter and two TFF Staff Members.
5. Should the Meet & Greet go well; the adopter and TFF Staff Member will discuss proceeding with finalizing the adoption.

*All TFF dogs are vetted, spayed/neutered, up to date on vaccines (Rabies, Bordetella, Distemper/Parvo and Booster if applicable), Heartworm tested/negative, SNAP 4DX tested (tick borne diseases - Lyme, Ehrlichia, Anaplasma)/negative or treated(if applicable), parasite free, tick and flea free, given heartworm and flea/tick preventatives while in residence, bathed, nails trimmed. Pending any additional medical treatments, the standard adoption fee is \$260.00 but could be more under certain circumstances. TFF is able to provide most of the above services and testing at reduced rates and able to pass the savings on to the adopter. On the day of finalizing the adoption, the adopter will be given a folder with all of the dog's vaccination records, medications given, medical treatment(s) under FF care and due dates for preventatives. All dogs go home with a care package of food (for transitioning) with instructions, treats & toy.

*On adoption day pick-up, the adopter must arrive with a collar, (harness, if applicable) and 4-5 foot lead (NO EXTENDERS) and an **ID TAG (no exceptions)**. We will be happy to provide you your new companion's collar and girth size in advance. All large retail pet stores have on site pet tag machines available, average cost \$7.00 - \$12.00 pending preference.

*Personal checks or Money Orders should be made payable to The Farley Foundation. Sorry, we cannot accept charge cards at this time. You must also provide a current driver's license for identification purposes and a copy will be retained in TFF's confidential records. TFF is a 501(c)(3) tax exempt charity but your adoption fee is tax deductible only to the extent permitted by law. A copy of your check will be given to you for your records on the day of adoption. *The adoption fee is typically less than TFF's costs of caring for the dogs, so additional donations are welcome. These additional donations are generally tax-deductible but you should consult with your accountant.*

*Pursuant to the terms of the Adoption Application and Ownership Transfer documents, should an adopter choose to return the dog, TFF will reimburse a portion of the adoption fee in exchange for the dog. **Please read the refund terms carefully.** For safety purposes, all dogs are microchipped under the Farley Foundation. Once your companion has time to adjust to his/her new environment (3-4 weeks), your contact information will be submitted to Smart Tag/PetLink and you will be notified.

Thank you for adopting an animal in need and for saving a life,
John and Betsy Ficarro
The Farley Foundation, Inc.

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