

## Volunteer



### Help Dogs XL Help Dogs!

As an all volunteer organization, we need people of all talents to keep the organization running smoothly. There are many ways to help depending the time and skills you have to offer:

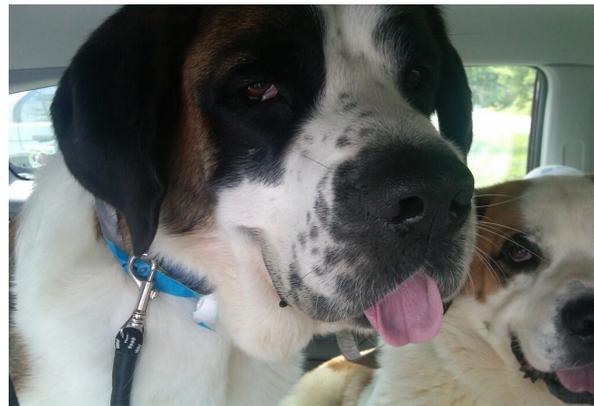
- **Foster** – Provide a temporary home for a pup in need
- **Conduct Home Visits** – Visit potential adopters' homes in your area to help prepare the space and the family for their new dog.
- **Donate Supplies** – Collars, leashes, toys, crates, towels, food, etc.
- **Handle a Dog at Adoption Events** – Accompany a Dog at an adoption event and talk to potential adopters.
- **Transport** – Give a dog a ride to the vet, adoption event, or his new home.
- **Help Fundraising & Administration** – organize events, hand out brochures or flyers, offer computer and other professional skills.



**Bogey, 3 year old, male Golden Doodle**

### Dogs XL Rescue

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**Victoria & Aimee: 4 year old, female Saint Bernards**

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## About Dogs XL



**Hershey, Little Debbie, and Twinkie were the first three pups adopted out by Dogs XL**

Founded in 2010, Dogs XL is an all volunteer, 501c3 animal rescue group. Dogs XL is a new “breed” of dog rescue committed to the philosophy that there is no such thing as a perfect dog or a perfect home. The right dog is out there for everyone who is willing to open a heart and a home to a canine companion.

Designed to match people and pets based on the principles of compatibility & compassion, Dogs XL operates like a social networking service for dogs.

As the name implies, Dogs XL specializes in finding homes for large dogs (typically 50lbs+). Large dogs are often first to be put to sleep in shelters because medical treatment and food is more expensive for large dogs than for small ones. Large dogs also take up more space at the shelter and on transports to adoptive families. Although owning a large dog is not for everyone, large dogs have many unique and endearing qualities. Here at Dogs XL, we believe the larger the dog, the more there is to love.

## Adoption Process

In order to encourage people to rescue homeless dogs, we try to make the rescue experience be as non-invasive and pleasant as possible..

To get started,

- Fill out the adoption questionnaire online. An adoption coordinator will contact you within 7 days of submitting your questionnaire
- We will have a brief conversation to talk about your previous pet experience and to determine your preferences in a new pet
- For pet-owners, we’ll call your vet to confirm that current pets have been spayed/neutered and vaccinated
- For renters, we’ll confirm with your landlord that dogs are allowed and ask about size/ breed restrictions
- Finally, a volunteer in your area will schedule a home visit to help advise you on how to "puppy proof" your home



**Pong, Golden/Collie puppy**

The process usually takes less than two weeks from beginning to end.

## Matchmaking

If you don't see an available dog that suits your needs, Dogs XL will gladly help you find the kind of dog your are looking for. We work with numerous animal shelters in Maryland and throughout the Southeastern US so it won't take us long to locate any kind of dog.

We also offer a foster to adopt option. If you are thinking about getting a large dog, but you are not 100% sure if the time is right or if a large dog is for you, we offer a two week trial (for dogs over 6 months of age.) At the end of the trial, you will have the option of finalizing the adoption or fostering the dog until the right match is found.

### Adoption Fees:

**Puppies 6 months and under: \$350**

**Adult dogs 7 months to 7 years: \$300**

**Senior Dogs 7+ years: \$250**

\*Adoption fees help cover the cost of transportation, boarding, and vetting,

In order for adopter and dog to have a positive experience we encourage adopters to keep an open mind when considering Dogs XL recommendations. Dogs XL offers ongoing support and educational resources to adopters for the lifetime of the dog.