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What's Inside

Even experienced dog handlers can benefit from outside training help. Our cover story dog, Kelly, can tell you! And her mom can attest to the importance of choosing the right trainer. Read our tips on page 8.

Foster is a gift for the dogs that helps them get home. "My Time with Corey" on page 6 is a perfect case in point!

Even great dog lovers sometimes find that life has changed in ways they didn't expect, and they need to find their beloved pup a new home. Much as we would like – we can't take them all! But you can read and share our advice on "How to Safely Rehome Your Dog" on page 7. The tips can be lifesaving.

May marks the halfway point in our Double the Gold Challenge. Your gifts – no matter the size – are matched by a waiting Fund of Love. We need your help to capture every matching dollar! All gifts support the medical needs of the hundreds of dogs that will come into our program this year and 85 more that we support in permanent foster. Read about the Challenge on page 4 and please help if you can. Thank you!

PLEASE PASS ALONG!

You can help us to expand our reach by sharing our newsletter with friends, family and co-workers! Thank you!



Take Your Training: It's Good for You

BY: Audrey Farrington

You might have seen Maryann Farmar on our Facebook feed. She regularly broadcasts live from Homeward Bound. A skilled dog handler, Maryann supports our adoption team with dog evaluations and running playgroups. Both test a dog's behaviors, play style, and help to determine the ideal home for a dog. So, when Maryann brought one-year-old Kelly home two years ago, she felt confident that she would be a good match for her older boy, Tucker, and her quiet girl, Katie. While Kelly's energy is very different than either of the two dogs', all was well until a quarrel with a neighbor dog triggered resource guarding in Kelly. The multi-week foster of a puppy litter may have also contributed to Kelly's new insecurity and behavior as she tried to find her position in the pack again. This was expressed in resource battles with Maryann's other two dogs - behavior that even our experienced dog handler felt ill-equipped to address on her own.

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Our Mission

Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue & Sanctuary, Inc. is an all-volunteer organization which rescues and heals displaced, abandoned, and homeless Golden Retrievers and Golden mixes, regardless of their age or health. Homeward Bound secures safe, loving homes through a comprehensive adoption program, and also provides lifetime sanctuary for Golden Retrievers that cannot be adopted.

Homeward Bound also provides education on proper animal care and on the benefits of, and need for, rescue and sanctuary. In the event of a disaster, Homeward Bound will provide assistance to other rescue groups and the families of dogs impacted by the disaster.

Homeward Bound will continue to serve as a model rescue organization, addressing animal welfare needs throughout California and neighboring states, and strives to be a national leader in rescue, sanctuary and education.

DOGS RESCUED TO DATE 2021
125

VET EXPENSES TO DATE 2020
\$94,152



A Message from Our President

As I write this, Jody's longed-for chapel has just arrived at Homeward Bound. We will install it in the place of her choosing – by the pond that she loved so much. It will house the ashes of dogs who found sanctuary at Homeward Bound and hopefully, your remembrances, too.

This fall, we will welcome you in groups to visit the chapel, leave your cards and letters, and spend some time with us for a Kibble & Bids event that is not quite normal – but on the road to it. We have missed you all. Each week, more of us have our vaccination turn. We're not out of the woods yet, but it brings fresh hope after a very long and difficult year.

Jody's memory and teachings always guide us, but we are finding a necessary way forward – moving out of her shadow and into our own light. Tears of sadness turn to sweet, shared memories. Many changes are afoot – putting programs and processes into place to strengthen our operation and resources – human and capital.

We will need that strength this year. We are currently on track to serve a projected 400 dogs this year – a 23% increase. This includes a significant number of Golden Retrievers from China as we have finally found safe passage for them and trusted partners to guide their journey.

We can be there for dogs in need – Golden or golden-hearted - thanks to your support. In February and March, a few big-hearted donors stepped forward to create a Fund of Love. It stands ready to match the donations of many during our Double the Gold Challenge going on now through the end of May. All the funds support the medical needs of the hundreds of dogs that will come through our doors this year. No gift is too small. This is when we show the might of the many working together.

You, and your gifts of financial and volunteer support, are what make our mission possible. As we all begin this new chapter together, I offer my heartfelt thanks and gratitude.

Judy Kent
President





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Kelly's vet ruled out any underlying medical issue and gave Maryann a solid piece of advice: Get Kelly into training. No matter how skilled we are, we can all benefit from the help of a professional who views not only our relationship with the dog, but the dog's relationship with us more objectively.

"At Homeward Bound, we tell every adopter to get their new companion into training. I know the importance. But it can be like diet and exercise: we know it's good for us, but some-

times, we just don't do it," says Maryann. "I want her to be successful."



Taking the vet's advice, Maryann enrolled Kelly in a well-known training facility near her home. One visit told her it was a terrible mistake. She quickly discovered their previously undisclosed use of shock collars and got Kelly out of that situation before it did permanent harm (see our article within on "How to Find the Right Dog Trainer.") Now, she travels a greater distance to attend Certified Professional

Dog Trainer, Kathryn Baines' (CPDT-KA) Golden Rule Training class at Homeward Bound. It's less convenient, but it has made a world of difference for Maryann, Kelly, and the dogs at home. Kathryn is a Behavior Consultant and an AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy and Canine Good Citizen Evaluator. She helped Maryann take Kelly back through the basics and put them on the path to Kelly's Canine Good Citizen certification.

In class, Kelly has had no issues with guarding over treats, people, or toys when introduced. "At home, we have had no problems since we started regular training," Maryann reports.

"Find a reputable trainer. Be consistent. Like playing an instrument, you can't show up at the lesson and improve if you don't practice in between," advises Maryann. "It really works. You will take your training to a much higher level and strengthen your bond with your dog. You will also gain confidence in your dog in new situations. Calmer for you; calmer for your dog!"

You can learn about Kathryn Baines' approach and classes at <https://www.grdogtraining.com/>. If you live outside the area, be sure to read our article on "How to Find the Right Dog Trainer" within.

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Here's Your Opportunity to Double The Gold!

Each year, in early spring, a small group of donors step up to build a **Fund of Love** that stands ready to support the medical care of the dogs. The big dogs have done their thing. Now, we turn to you – because every dollar raised through the **Double the Gold Challenge** will be matched by their **Fund of Love** – **doubling the impact of each gift.**

While shelters have reduced their services during the pandemic – our doors remain open. The economic impact of this situation is taking hold and we are on track to serve 400 dogs this year – a 23% increase.

No gift is too small. This is when we show our might by working together!

The dogs featured here are just of few of the hundreds who will receive our support this year. Golden - or Golden-hearted - we are here for them thanks to you!!



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DOUBLE THE GOLD



TALLIE

At the precious age of four months, this little Golden/Pyrenees mix was literally dumped and left to fend for herself with a badly broken or deformed leg. Thankfully, a good Samaritan scooped her up and brought her to a local vet. Homeward Bound was alerted to her plight and happily welcomed her. Twice lucky, Tallie's vet tech fell instantly in love with her. A home visit and adoption were quickly arranged, and while Tallie had to lose her unusable leg, she gained a loving home. One person's trash is another's treasure.



RUSTY

Rusty came to us at the age of 12 when his human Dad could no longer care for him. He arrived hugely overweight at 122 lbs. and with laryngeal paralysis which made all that weight hard to carry – and hard to breathe. He was also covered with lumps and bumps, one of which turned out to be a mast cell tumor. While removed, mast cell tumors are aggressive and typically quickly reappear. Rusty's days are not measured in years, but in months – and Homeward Bound and his loving permanent foster mom will be by his side every step of the way for whatever care he needs.



ANNIE AND HER PUPS

At one year of age, Annie is only a puppy herself. She was picked up as a stray very much expecting a litter of her own little ones. Pregnant dogs don't last long in shelters. A temporary transfer to and from a German Shepherd rescue quickly turned permanent when Annie gave birth to her six tiny but beautiful pups the night she arrived at Homeward Bound. Whelping and raising a litter of puppies is hard and expensive work. Annie needed to be restored to health so she could feed and

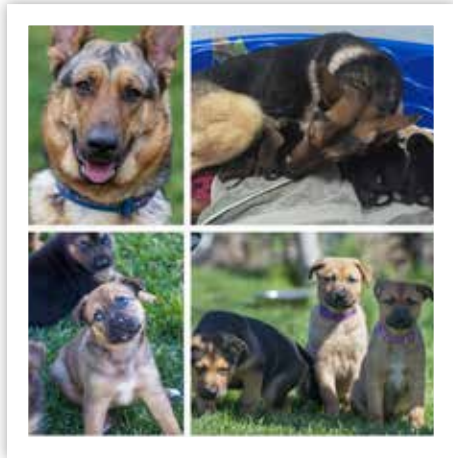
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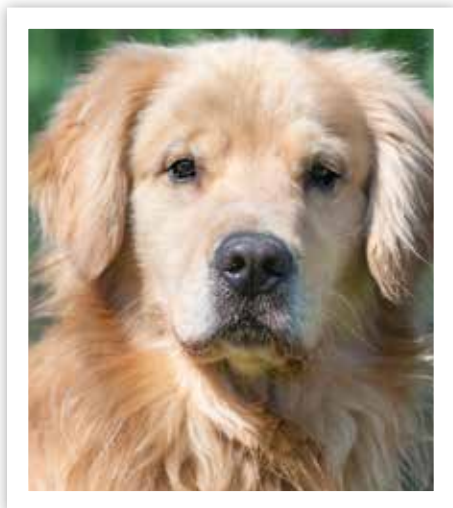
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care for her little babies. After stabilizing her and them, a generous foster took them all home and in no time at all, they were growing like weeds. Puppies require four rounds of vaccinations, deworming, spay or neuter, and a mountain of food! Thanks to your support, Homeward Bound could be there – Golden pedigree or not.



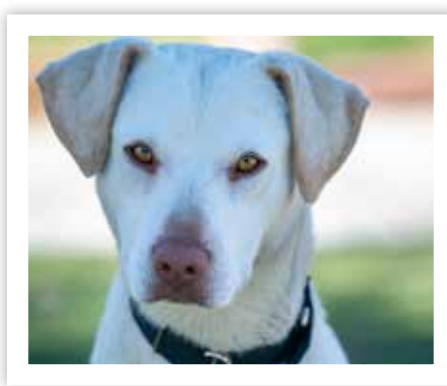
SEKANI

Sekani and his Golden brother had been left alone for too long and had begun eating things a dog shouldn't. With a clear obstruction and the owner looking at the possibility of an expensive surgery, they were both surrendered. Thankfully, we were able to help the object pass, and set about healing both brothers' bi-lateral ear infections. Sekani and his brother quickly found waiting homes. They will be alone no more.



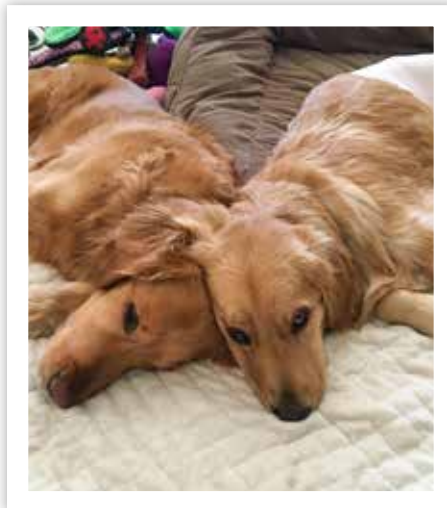
ZIGGY

This beautiful two-year-old Lab mix came from the shelter as a stray. He arrived with haunting eyes and a pronounced limp that did not appear to be from a break of any kind. X-rays revealed the culprit but only surgery exposed the magnitude of the issue. Ziggy had been shot. His foot was full of shrapnel. Though the surgery to remove it was expensive and complex, Ziggy will keep his leg and live a full and happy life.



SKYE KING

After eight weeks of rehab, our young boy from China has now undergone his second FHO surgery to ensure that he will have a full and pain-free life, thanks to you! It's hard to see such a young boy laid up, not once, but twice - especially since he was just enjoying his first recovery. But he has a good friend to see him through. And in the end, it will all be worth it!



The dogs featured here are just of few of the hundreds who will receive our support this year. In 2020, our veterinary costs exceeded \$267,000. We took in 326 dogs. Another 85 were supported in permanent foster with their medical needs met by Homeward Bound – so they could be home.

Most of the dogs that came to us required basic or minor veterinary care. Some needed much, much more.

We know that these are extraordinary times and that many of you are under pressure as well. Anything you can contribute during the **Double the Gold Challenge** will not only help – it will go twice as far as your gift is doubled by the waiting **Fund of Love** match created by a few big-hearted donors.

We cannot do it without you.

HOW TO HELP

Making a donation to Homeward Bound during our **Double the Gold Challenge** will help us ensure the best care we can give the dogs on their journey to a wonderful forever home and a new life filled with good health and love.

Our **Fund of Love** donors have committed \$80,000 to double our donations! Let's not leave even a single dollar in match behind! **Every dollar donated during the months of April and May stands ready to be matched and will be 100% dedicated to veterinary expenses for wonderful dogs who desperately need us.**

Donate securely online on our website at hbgr.org - or by check mailed to:
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On behalf of all
the dogs - **THANK
YOU!!**



Foster: My Time with Corey

Unlike rescues that rely on foster, Homeward Bound is blessed with a facility where at-risk dogs can find immediate safety. Most adjust quickly to our “dog dorm,” and are adopted as soon as they have been medically and behaviorally vetted. Others are with us longer due to their emotional or behavioral needs – or they have simply been overlooked by adopters. For them, day outings or short-term foster provide a break from the kennel while supplying us with valuable information about how the dogs behave out in public or in a home. Corey’s story is a great example. After working with our certified trainer, our wild youngster was ready to test his skills in the outside world. In stepped Jennifer.

After Corey worked so hard with Jamie, one of our trainers, it was time for him to try out his skills in the world outside of Homeward Bound. We hopped into the car and off we went. Corey spent the first few miles checking out everything we were driving past and then calmly laid down in the backseat for our journey to Davis.

We went to the greenbelt where we saw other dogs, lots of people and bikes which he became quickly comfortable with. Squirrels, now that was a different story! Along the way, we met up with some of my friends. He greeted them politely and hung out while we talked. He was so much calmer in these surroundings than at Homeward Bound where there is constant activity and dogs trash talking.

Next, we headed to the local coffee shop. They love dogs there, so we were able to go inside, get a cookie, and enjoy some quiet time before heading back to the rescue. I was so impressed with his behavior; no one would think he was anything but my well-behaved puppy. To show the world, I recruited a friend of mine to be our videographer. Video camera in



hand, we headed back to Davis to find some new and more challenging situations for Corey and see how he would do. We started at the Arboretum and walked by some ducks. We were able to easily distract him, and no one ended up in the duck pond! Walking downtown, we walked by people eating outside, other dogs on the sidewalk, and returned for cookies and coffee. He was perfectly behaved and this time, the proof was on video!

While the outing was a fun break for Corey, most importantly it showed that he was ready to do all the things he might do in his forever home. It was good for Jamie to see how all her hard work had paid off and for future adopters to see that even

though he might be high energy at Homeward Bound, he is easy to handle out in public doing everyday activities. The best news of all? His video was shared on his profile and Corey found his forever home soon after!

Foster – whether for a day, an overnight, or a few weeks, is a gift for the dogs on their journeys home. It’s also incredibly fulfilling. If you are interested in joining our foster team, complete an application on our website at hbgr.org. We look forward to welcoming you to the Homeward Bound family!



How to Safely Rehome Your Pet

Rehoming a pet is one the hardest decisions a person might ever make. The decision to say goodbye to your companion is heartbreaking. You are not only losing a friend, but you're worried about their well-being when they are gone. It's shocking, but true: there are unscrupulous people out there looking to sell dogs to dog fighting rings, particularly on Craigslist and other anonymous online postings. "Free to a good home" is an invitation to disastrous consequences.

If you have exhausted all possibilities to safely care for your pet (or you know someone in this position), here are some tips to help ensure that your dog goes to a good home. Please read and share to help guide others if the need arises.

Find a Rescue

A rescue is the best resource when it comes to finding your dog a new home. Even if you don't want to surrender your pet, a rescue can still provide resources or place a courtesy posting to help you find a worthy home. A good rescue will perform a rigorous evaluation of the dog and adopter(s) before making a match. Good rescues also have adopters sign a contract that requires the dog be returned to their care if, for any reason, it can no longer stay with them.



Prepare Your Pet

Make your pet more attractive to potential adopters. Be sure your dog is current on vaccinations and has had a recent exam. Making sure your pet is spayed or neutered increases their odds of getting along with other pets in a new home and ensures that they won't fall into the hands of a puppy mill breeder.

Ask for Help

Reach out to friends, neighbors, and local veterinarians. Your personal network is the best pool of adopters for your pet. Ask your veterinarian if you can place a poster advertising your pet's need for a new home. Create a flyer with a good-quality photo and appealing – but honest – description of your dog and the home it needs to be successful. Share your flyer at work, school, or church. Leverage your social network but be

careful. Post your pet's photo and story and ask your friends to share it on their social streams. Don't share your address or email. Ask the person for their phone number to connect and be prepared with these questions:

Dog Rehoming – Adoptive Family Questions

- Why are you looking for a pet?
- Do you rent, or do you own? If rent, do you have your landlord's permission?
- Is your yard and/or pool fenced?
- Do you have other pets?
- Are they spayed or neutered? If not, why not?
- What is a typical day like in your home?
- Are their children in your family? If so, what ages?

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Turn KIBBLE INTO CASH for the pups at Homeward Bound!

For every large bag of Nature's Select Premium Pet Food purchased, Nature's Select will donate \$3.00 back to Homeward Bound. Nature's Select provides FREE HOME DELIVERY in the greater Northern California area. It's all-natural, holistic pet food from a local, family-owned and operated company.

"We love the convenience of having this quality food delivered to us, as well as the generous donations the 'Kibble Into Cash' program provides."
- Judy Kent, President, Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue & Sanctuary



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How to Find the Right Dog Trainer

With all our adopters, we try to reinforce the message that ongoing training is the foundation of a strong human/dog bond and a well-behaved and reliable companion. So how do find the right dog trainer for you and your dog? Because dog training is unlicensed, anyone can call themselves a dog trainer. Some actually use tactics that can be harmful to your dog's physical and mental health.

Choosing a Trainer Who Uses Humane and Positive Training Methods

When choosing a dog trainer, find a trainer who uses reward-based dog training methods – sometimes called positive reinforcement, force-free, or humane training methods. Reward-based dog training is based on either giving a food reward as a motivator (to make a behavior more likely to happen again) or withholding a reward (to make the behavior less likely to occur).

Dog training is a skilled activity that not only requires education and knowledge but the ability to read a dog's body language, good timing, an understanding of learning theory, and importantly – good people skills. Because these skills need to be transferred and employed consistently – a good trainer is teaching you how to train your dog.

In an unregulated field, people can say they use any training method. To identify a trainer who has truly put in the time to become educated and certified, look for qualifications including CCPDT, PPG, IAABC, CTC, KPA CTP, VSA-CDT, VSPDT, and PMCT after your dog trainer's name.

Trainers to Avoid

People who use aversive techniques such as electric shock, prong collars, choke



chains, leash 'corrections,' 'alpha rolls,' or the like may actually make the dog aggressive or fearful with long term consequences. Listen for clues that a trainer does not actually use or value positive reinforcement including the use of terms like:

- "Dominance/Submissive" or "Alpha/Pack Leader" – these are outdated, aversive tactics that can have prolonged negative consequences
- "Cookie pushers" – used in a derogatory way to refer to trainers who use food for positive reinforcement. Or those who say that they train without food
- The use of or sale of shock, prong collars, or choke chains on their website

If you see signs of any of these terms or methods – find another trainer.

Questions to Ask

Just because you see the right words on someone's website does not mean they use positive and humane training methods.

Here are five questions to ask dog trainers about how they will train your dog.

1. What do you use to motivate my dog to learn new skills?

2. What training equipment do you use?
3. What exactly will happen to my dog when he/she gets it right?
4. What exactly will happen to my dog when he/she gets it wrong?
5. Are there any less invasive alternatives to what you propose?

If you don't like the answers, keep looking.

Dog Training Versus Behavior Issues

While dog trainers can deal with many issues, there are some behavior problems that need more expertise. Reactive dogs, dogs with fears and aggression, or those with severe separation anxiety may require a behavior consultant or animal behaviorist. These are skilled professionals who can help manage, modify, and



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prevent problem behavior in pets. They're specially trained experts in the principles of animal behavior and animal learning with a set of science-backed tools, such as behavior modification. They will help identify the cause of your dog's problem behavior, create a customized treatment plan, teach you how to carry it out successfully, and follow-up to help with any issues along the way.

Like dog training, the field of animal behavior is unregulated, and unfortunately, anyone can call themselves a behaviorist. There are levels of expertise in the field, from trainers who work with dogs with behavior issues, to behavior consultants, to certified applied animal behaviorists and board-certified veterinary behaviorists. Look for people who are certified with a respected organization.

The Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers (CCPDT) and the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants (IAABC) are two professional organizations that certify behavioral consultants who specialize in dogs and require recertification every three years to ensure they are up to date on the latest research and methods.

The only people officially titled "animal behaviorists" are those certified by the Animal Behavior Society (ABS). The ABS offers two levels of certification at the master's or doctorate degree level with two or five years of professional experience.

Veterinarians can also specialize in behavior by completing a two-year residency



under a board-certified veterinary behaviorist and passing a board exam. Veterinarians and behaviorists can also work closely together. It's important to consult your veterinarian whenever your dog shows changes in behavior. Underlying health conditions that cause pain, loss of hearing or sight can also lead to behavior and personality changes.

Whether you work with a behavior consultant, applied animal behaviorist, or veterinary behaviorist, you should be able to rely on his or her vast knowledge and education to help determine what's causing your dog's problem behavior. With the right treatment, training, environmental management, or counterconditioning, the result is a happier, calmer, better-behaved dog — and a relieved owner.

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A full-service veterinary medical facility, providing excellent medical, surgical and dental care to our patients while promoting responsible pet ownership, preventative health care and health-related educational opportunities for our clients.



Youth Program Leaders Needed

Our Youth Program was dormant for a couple of years for lack of adult leadership. In Fall of 2020, volunteer Paula Ramirez, a 28-year veteran teacher, took charge. The initial “class” of ten students was directly tied to a Senior Project at Inderkum High School. The pilot called for students to volunteer for 30 hours which were briefly interrupted when COVID spiked around the holidays. They completed their requirements in February.

New applicants will be welcomed in August and September. The number of students we can serve will be predicated on the number of adult volunteers who might be willing to take a small group during the fall and winter. Summer is the perfect time to come on board and learn our programs so you are ready to teach in the fall!

Working with students and dogs while promoting safety requires some managing but Paula says that it has been a positive and growing experience for all – herself included. “The most rewarding for me is seeing the compassion from the students.” This program plays a vital role in teaching the next generation about rescue.

If you are interested in becoming a youth program leader, please submit a volunteer application on our website at www.hbgr.org. Thank you!



Planned Giving: A Golden Legacy

You know that sharing your life with any dog is a blessing. Sharing your life with a rescued dog is doubly so. Our mission of rescue, adoption and sanctuary changes Golden *and* human lives.

By including Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue and Sanctuary in your estate or planned giving, you create a legacy ensuring that more Golden lives are saved. And don't forget your own pets. Providing for them in your estate plan is an important consideration for all of us.

Examples of estate and planned giving instruments include wills and living trusts, life insurance or retirement beneficiary designations, or gifts of appreciated stock. There are many options from which to choose. Naming us in your will or trust, for example, is one of the easiest ways to ensure that future generations of Golden Retrievers in need will find a second chance at life.

You can download our **Guide to Giving** to help you determine the right approach for you—providing current or future benefits to yourself, your heirs, and to the Golden Retrievers in our care. You can also download our **Pet Guardianship** form, entrusting your dogs' care to Homeward Bound in the event that you or your family members can no longer be there for them. You will find both on our website under “How to Help.”



- Where will the dog stay during the day and at night?
- How many hours a day will the dog be left alone?
- How do you plan to provide walks or daily stimulation?

Just as you are interviewing the potential adopter, be prepared to be transparent with them. Share details about your dog's personality and how they get along with other pets and people. Discuss its energy, unique behaviors, and personal tendencies so there are no surprises. Disclose any medical, special diet, or behavior issues your pet is experiencing so that potential new owners will have the information they need to determine if your pet would be a good fit for their family.

Discuss expectations of post-adoption communication and what will happen if the arrangement doesn't work out. If you are moving and are unable to take the dog back if things don't go as planned, you are better off leaving the dog with a trusted rescue to ensure it does not get bounced around or ends up in disreputable hands after all your work to find it a trusted home.

Charge a Rehoming Fee

If you feel you must post an ad online, be sure to charge a rehoming fee. You're not looking to recoup your investment in the dog but to request a small charge to help ensure that your pet isn't going to be sold, while also serving as proof that the new family can afford to care for your dog.

Require References

Ideally, these would be from a veterinarian who can confirm that this person provided excellent care for another animal, but if they're first-time owners, then references from community or church leaders can show integrity and commitment.

Inspect the Home

Always visit a potential adopter's house before handing over your friend. Refusal to visit their home by the potential adopter



is a red flag. No one knows your dog's behavior better than you. A home inspection will allow you to verify that they can keep your dog safe while also spotting potential trouble spots beforehand. It's also the perfect opportunity to meet the potential new family, any other pets, and see that your dog is going to feel at home. If you don't get a good feeling, say you don't believe it is the right match and move on.

Saying Goodbye

Most dogs are resilient and adapt to their new surroundings, but it will take some time and patience. Share our philosophy of "three's." It takes three days for the dog to relax; three weeks for their true behavior in their new home to emerge; and – after three months – they finally know they are safe and home.

And remember – while dogs are capable of moving on – they don't forget. They will remember your love and efforts to ensure that they have the best life possible in their second chapter.

How to Reach Us

Your help and ideas are always welcome!

Reach out to team leaders through the information below if you are interested in helping in any of these areas:

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The Double the Gold Challenge runs through May!

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Help Wanted

Volunteer Positions Currently in High Demand:

- **Feeders:** A dog's best friend and so rewarding!
- **Walkers:** Build bonds of trust through walking, playing, training, and grooming. Help prepare the dogs for their forever homes.
- **Event Support:** Having fun while helping the dogs!
- **Youth Leaders:** Train the next generation of rescue!

Our Golden Wish List

You can also shop our **Amazon Wish List**. You'll find the link on our website!

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