

Agape Animal Rescue is dedicated to finding forever families for abandoned and displaced dogs through our signature foster and adoption program while simultaneously cultivating better communities through dog training, owner education and outreach programs.

Agape has been a strong force in the community since 2004. With the help of hundreds of volunteers and a small dedicated staff, Agape has rescued, rehabilitated and found loving homes for more than 1,500 dogs. We are proud to be different: as a foster network, we do not have a shelter facility: our dedicated foster families provide safe, nurturing homes for dogs until their forever families find them.

Agape is committed to making a positive difference in the dogs' lives from the moment they enter our foster program, and in humans' lives from the moment they opt to foster or adopt. Our goal is to help these animals in every way we can --emotionally, socially, physically-- so that the transition into their forever homes will be as smooth as possible. We work hard to match our dogs with the best family possible, working through as many applications as necessary to find a home that offers a dog the most fulfilling, enriched life.

Through its work with animals, humans, and communities, Agape strives to make Middle Tennessee a better place, where people from all walks of life can experience the transformative benefits of the human-animal bond through responsible, humane pet ownership, and where dogs can thrive no matter what journey their life has taken them on so far.



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1. INTAKE

Dogs come to Agape in need: from overcrowded shelters or animal control facilities, abuse or hoarding cases, or heartbreaking situations where an owner can no longer care for their pet.



4. ADOPTION

Our award-winning adoption program has a 99% success rate (less than 1% of dogs are returned to the program or rehomed). We attribute this success to two things: the steadfast work and care with each pup during foster care to prepare them for their forever homes, and our thorough adoption process, which entails a detailed application, a meet-and-greet, home visit, and finally... the adoption!



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2. FOSTER CARE

Our dedicated, trained foster families provide the love and care, we provide everything they need to do it! Dogs in foster care receive: basic medical support including an initial checkup, annual vaccinations, flea and tick prevention, heartworm prevention, and are spayed/neutered.

3. TRAINING

Our experienced team creates training plans for each dog based on their individual needs, using positive reinforcement, force-free methods to address any behaviors during foster care that might hinder their long term success in a forever home, as well as basic obedience training.



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