

Volunteer Opportunities

Foster a Shiba Inu

Our greatest need is foster homes. Fostering is typically a 4-8 week commitment. In that time the foster family cares for the foster dog in their home. They also evaluate the dog in how it does with adults, children, other dogs, cats and other small pets if possible. The foster family takes pictures and writes a bio to be posted on the SIRA website, which gives applicants the chance to see the dog and contact the foster family with questions or to express interest in the dog. The foster family is then able to decide on the *best* match for their foster dog. Fostering is without a doubt one of the most rewarding volunteer opportunities available! Consider opening your home to a homeless Shiba Inu.

Evaluations and Pictures of Owner Surrender and Shelter Shibas

SIRA evaluates each dog that we consider taking in from owner surrenders and shelters. For an evaluation, volunteers are provided with a form that is very easy to follow. Volunteers will go to the owner's home or the shelter and evaluate a dog for its temperament and ability to deal with situations it would encounter during foster care and after adoption; petting, loud noises, high activity, other dogs, etc. If we have not received pictures from the owner or shelter, volunteers may also be asked to take pictures for the Intake Coordinator to verify that the dog is in fact a Shiba.



Home Visits

Home visit volunteers are essential in the adoption process. We are growing and getting applicants in new areas all the time and therefore need new volunteers in those areas! Like intake evaluations, volunteers are given a simple form to fill out with questions pertaining to the applicant and their household. You will be evaluating the applicant to make sure that they are prepared to bring a rescue Shiba into their home and care for its needs in a loving and nurturing environment.

Events

SIRA participates in many different events throughout the year. We go to expos, hold picnics and social events, along with participating in other community outreach events. We need volunteers to staff booths and do various other jobs ranging from baking dog cookies to speaking with the public. By participating you will be helping SIRA get the word out about saving needy Shibas.

If you are interested in volunteering for Shiba Inu Rescue Association, please send an email to volunteer@savingshibas.com.

If you are unable to donate your time to help the Shibas, you could also help out by making a monetary donation.

Donate

Sponsor a Foster Shiba

There are many costs associated with rescue. First and foremost is the money put into vet care for each foster dog. SIRA covers all routine and unexpected medical care for all our dogs including but not limited to; spaying/neutering, microchipping, annual shots, heartworm test and deworming. Generally adoption fees cover these costs. You can help us defray these costs by sponsoring a foster Shiba's medical needs.



Sponsor a Special Needs Shiba

Occasionally we do take in dogs with medical problems that, when taken care of, greatly exceed their adoption fee. This can include luxating patellas (loose knees), glaucoma, heart worm positive dogs and other medical problems. In these cases we do special fundraising to cover these extra medical costs in addition to all routine care. Look for the **Help Dog!** above the pictures of the dogs on our website for the fosters that we are doing special fundraising for. Info on their specific medical needs is available in their bios.

Donate Blankets, Crates, etc.

Do you have any new or gently used dog items around your house unused? Our foster homes are always in need of blankets/sheets, dog beds, crates (travel and wire), exercise pens, dog toys, food and water bowls and many other dog items.

If you are interested in donating to Shiba Inu Rescue Association, please send an email to admin@savingshibas.com.

*****Please note, we are in the process of obtaining our 501(c)3 non-profit status. As such all donations made at this time are NOT tax-deductible.*****

Contact Us

Shiba Inu Rescue
Association's Website:
www.SavingShibas.com

To find out more about
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*Shiba Inu Rescue Association
and our foster Shibas thank
you!!!*

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How you can help



**Shiba Inu Rescue
Association**

Save homeless Shibas

Shiba Inu Rescue Association
is an all volunteer group dedicated
to rescuing abandoned, abused
and neglected Shibas and placing
them in thoroughly screened
loving and lifelong forever homes.

We can't save these dogs
without the generosity of people
just like you. There are many
ways in which you can help us
continue saving needy Shibas.