



## Finders Request (Interested Party) Info Sheet

Dear Resident,

**Thank you so much for caring and taking steps to keep this lost pet safe.** At Riverdale Animal Shelter we will provide safe shelter and care for this pet while we work hard to reunite him/her with their owner (human family).

If you are potentially interested in adopting this pet if her/his owner is not found, we are happy to list you as an “interested party.” However, please note this does not mean we are holding the pet for you or that we can guarantee you will be able to adopt this pet. Here is why:

- Our priority is to re-unite pet with their family.
- Stray animals not claimed by their owners after 5 full business days are evaluated for our adoption program.
- We do not offer visits with pets on stray hold or while they are going through their evaluation process, which can take a few days.
- We cannot accept interested party holds on pets under 8 weeks of age.
- Not all pets will qualify for adoption out of our shelter. We may determine placement with a reputable rescue is the best option for the pet, if further medical or behavioral support is needed.
- We also have a full-time veterinary team that can successfully treat most injuries and illnesses. This treatment can at times go on for an extended period.

### **If the pet is determined to be an adoption candidate:**

- We will contact you using the information given to the responding officer or shelter staff person when the pet was found. (You are welcome to contact us to verify or update your contact information at any time.)
- You will have 24 hours to respond. If we do not hear back from you in that time, we will move the pet forward for adoption to the public.
- If we are able to reach you and you are still interested in pursuing adoption, we will set an appointment for you to learn more about the pet and determine together if it is a good match for you and/or your family.
- You will be required to go through our standard adoption process and pay all adoption fees.

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