

Volunteer Role Description - Kitty Fosterer

A hugely rewarding role, as a CDPA Kitty Fosterer you will provide a temporary, loving & safe home for our rescued cats & kittens with the support of other CDPA volunteers.

The Cats & Dog Protection Association of Ireland (CDPA) is a registered charity dedicated to caring and improving the lives of cats and dogs in Ireland. Our volunteers collaborate with local communities to reduce animal suffering through our Trap-Neuter-Return, foster-rehoming and welfare programmes.

Commitment required: We ask fosterers to commit to fostering cats or kittens for a minimum 6-8 weeks

Location: Own Home

Role Description

- As a CDPA fosterer you have the opportunity to care for
 - friendly cats or kittens
 - shy / spicy kittens (under 12 weeks)
 - sick, elderly or special needs kitties
 - pregnant mommas & kittens once born until they are ready for adoption
 - orphaned kittens (previous experience bottle-feeding required)
- Share weekly updates on kitty progress and photos via CDPA's facebook group
- Provide regular input for kitty personality profiles & information to help CDPA find the purrfect forever home for the kitty
- Bring cats/kittens to vet appointments as required
- Book vet appointments once approved by CDPA
- Administer treatment as required (training is provided)
- Keep record of vaccinations and microchips

Desired Qualities

- Kind, caring, patient, reliable & dedicated
- Empathetic towards cats and other volunteers

Desired Experience

- CDPA welcomes volunteers with all levels of experience!
- Previous experience with cats, kittens is very welcome

Other Requirements

- Access to own transport to bring kitties to/from vet appointments (if outside of North Dublin)
- Access to a device to provide updates & respond to CDPA questions via our Facebook group

As a CDPA volunteer you will benefit from

- A hugely rewarding experience as you watch your foster kitty transform into a comfortable, confident and healthy cat under your care
- Access to a strong, supportive community of animal rescuers throughout your volunteer journey with the CDPA
- A full induction, comprehensive training & ongoing support
- Ongoing training from an expert team of volunteers
- Opportunities to become involved in other aspects of the charity
- Experience of working in the Animal & Charity Sector

CDPA is firmly committed to diversity in all areas of our work. We are committed to developing and maintaining an organisation in which differing ideas, abilities, backgrounds and needs are fostered and valued, and where those with diverse backgrounds and experiences are able to participate and contribute.