



"Healing Golden Hearts"

**GULF COAST
GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE, INC.**
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ADOPTION/FOSTER APPLICATION

NOTE: Gulf Coast Golden Retriever Rescue, Incorporated is able to accept applications only from persons living in the State of Florida.

Date:				
Name <small>(Last, First, M.I.):</small>			Age:	
Address:				
City:			State & Zip:	
Daytime Phone:			Evening Phone:	
Email Address:			Occupation:	
Best Time to Call:		Anyone Home During the Day?		Who:
This is an Application for:		<input type="checkbox"/> Adoption <input type="checkbox"/> Foster		
When will you be ready to adopt?				
Rescued Goldens vary in age. What age will you consider?				
	0-3 years	3-6 years	Any age	
Would you consider a senior (8 or older) Golden?				
	Yes	No		
Would you prefer:				
	Male	Female	No Preference	
Would you consider a special needs Golden, such as one that may require medication for a permanent but controlled condition?				
	Yes	No	Maybe	
Would you consider a Golden mix?				
	Yes	No	Maybe	
What activity level are you looking for in this adoption?				
Very Energetic	Somewhat Energetic	Average	Quiet	Very Quiet
Are there children in your home?		Yes	No	
Are there grandchildren who visit?		Yes	No	
Are there other pets in your home?		Yes	No	
If yes, please state the breed, name, age and sex:				
Name	Gender	Age	Breed	
Are those pets spayed/neutered?		Yes	No	
If not, please explain why:				

Please state the names and ages of other people who will be living with the dog:						
Name				Age		
Is the dog for an	Adult	Child	Elderly Person	Physically challenged individual		
Please state the names, ages and sex of children in the home:						
Gender	Name			Age		
Have the children been raised with a dog previously?			Yes	No		
If yes, how long ago did they have a dog?						
Have the children been taught to respect an animal as a living thing and not as a toy?				Yes	No	
Rate your children's behavior with pets:		Excellent	Good	Fair	Unknown	
Do you live in a:		Single Family House	Condo	Apartment	Duplex	
Do you own this property?		Yes	No	Rent	Lease/Option	
<i>If you rent, you may be asked to provide a letter from the landlord stating that this dog is allowed to live in your home.</i>						
How will the dog be managed when outside?						
Do you have a completely fenced-in yard?			Yes	No		
If yard is partially fenced, please explain fencing:						
If the dog will have access to a fenced-in yard, what is the fence type and height?						
Do you have a dog door?			Yes	No		
If yes, will dog have use of door when you are not home or otherwise unable to supervise?			Yes	No		
What area does the dog door open onto?						
Can dog door be locked?			Yes	No		
Approximate yard size:						
Will this dog be allowed to remain outside while you are not home?			Yes	No		
If yes, please explain:						
Do you have a swimming pool?			Yes	No		
Is your home adjacent to a pond, lake, canal or other body of water?			Yes	No		
If yes, will the dog be allowed to swim in the body of water?			Yes	No		
Where will the dog be kept during the day?						
Where will the dog sleep at night?						
Will your dog be allowed on the furniture?			Yes	No		
Will your dog be allowed on the bed?			Yes	No		
Will your dog have access to the entire home?			Yes	No		
Are you an active individual?			Yes	No		
What will you do with your dog while you are on vacation?						
Have you had other pets before?		Yes	No	A dog?	Yes	No
If yes, what kind and when?						
Is this your first Golden Retriever?			Yes	No		
Why did you choose a Golden?						
Have you ever sold, given away, or put a pet into a shelter?			Yes	No		

If yes, please explain:		
Does anyone in your home have allergies to pets?	Yes	No
Will you use a crate?	Yes	No
How will you provide the exercise this dog requires?		
Do you plan to train your dog yourself, take him/her to obedience school or use a professional trainer?	Yes	No
If you plan to take your dog to an obedience school, which one?		
Please list the names, addresses and phone numbers (required) of any previous vets you have used:		
Name	Address	Phone Number
Please list the name, address and phone number (required) of your current vet, the vet you will use for this dog. <u>Upon submitting this application, please contact your current, and any previous, vets and ask that they release any and all information regarding current and past pets to Gulf Coast Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc.</u>		
Name	Address	Phone Number
May the vets (individuals) you have listed on this application be contacted regarding any dog you may obtain through Gulf Coast Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc.? Yes No		
If no, please explain:		
<i>(We will be in touch with you periodically to answer any questions that you might have and to ensure that both you and the pet are getting along well.)</i>		
How did you find out about Gulf Coast Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc.?		
If you were referred, by whom please?		
When are you actually ready to adopt/foster a Golden?		
You are welcome, and encouraged, to include information in the space below that will assist in the processing of your application. Please tell us about your family. Please use additional pages if needed.		

The Golden Retriever is a wonderful dog; however, they are predisposed to several conditions: ear infections, hot spots, excessive shedding, and generally a need for lots of exercise in order to be good house pets. They are not outside dogs to be tied or enclosed away from "their people" and can become quite loud, destructive, and even self-mutilating if made to live in these conditions. Many require a good amount of attention, and when not given the attention they wish, will resort to tearing up your favorite slippers, gardens, etc. in order to get your attention. Golden Retrievers are known to be in-your-face and velcro dogs! These dogs are excellent obedience candidates and can be easily trained to be wonderful companions – if you will work with them. Obedience is obtained by being fair and consistent, and offering praise when the deed is obtained.

Quality care for your Golden is essential. You should assume that a Golden Retriever will cost approximately \$300 to feed and \$400 a year in vet bills, heartworm prevention and flea and tick prevention. These amounts do not include expenses associated with emergencies, illness, and injuries. Additional expenses include treats, grooming, collars, leads, bowls and toys. Please be sure you can afford your companion animal before deciding to adopt! We want you to be thrilled with each other and would be glad to help in any way to ensure this. Please email us with questions at GoldensInNeed@gcgr.org

Questions pertaining to the animal's being allowed on the furniture, whether you have fencing or not, etc. are to ensure that you will get a dog you can live with. Most dogs will need a fenced yard, and some dogs that have previously been allowed on furniture might be a constant struggle for you, if you do not wish to allow this to continue. Your answers will not, however, jeopardize your application.

Remember, adoption fees only partially cover the cost of our dogs. They have been examined by one of our network veterinarians and their individual medical needs are addressed. Additionally, each dog has had vaccinations, a heartworm and fecal test, a spay or neuter and microchip registration.

I have read and completed the above to the best of my knowledge and agree to the conditions herein.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Name Printed: _____

Co-Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Name Printed: _____

- The cost of Gulf Coast Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc. dogs varies due to age and medical history/conditions.
- Special needs dogs will be placed with consideration of charge into caring and loving homes.
- Adoption fees are payable by, Cashiers Check, Money Order or Cash and accepted in US funds only. Cashiers Checks and Money Orders should be made payable to: ***Gulf Coast Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc.***

Thank you for your application. We will process it as quickly as possible; please allow approximately one to two weeks.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

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