INTRODUCTION

The following resources were created and curated by Dakin staff specifically for Dakin foster volunteers. You will want to spend time reading these documents and viewing the instructional videos so that you can be well informed about your duties as a foster parent and to find answers to many common questions. With the information provided here we think you’ll be off to an amazing start!

We are excited that you are opening your home to shelter animals. Fostering is such a rewarding experience and we are happy to help support you in any way we can. Please contact us with any questions or concerns about your fosters. We also love to hear exciting news about your foster experience!

BASIC CARE INFORMATION

RABBITS:
- Rabbit Setup/Care Video
- Rabbit Care Guide

GUINEA PIGS:
- Guinea Pig Setup/Care Video
- Guinea Pig Care Guide

MEDICAL INFO AND CHARTS

Tracking Sheets
General Foster Information and Emergency Instructions

CONTINUING EDUCATION

House Rabbit Connection's Rabbit Care Guide
Rabbit Care Guide

Baby Rat Growth: Birth to Weaning

ADOPTION INFORMATION

Incoming Profile

Before returning your fosters to the shelter, fill out a profile to help potential adopters learn what is special or unique about your fosters.

Cage Size Requirements

Learn what size cages we require for the different species of small animals

Make an Adoption Video for your Foster!

An adoption video is one of the best things you can do for your foster to help them get adopted quickly. Take advantage of a unique opportunity to show off shelter animals in the relaxed and comfortable environment of your foster home.

This video Making Better Adoption Videos (13mins) will show you how to make longer, edited adoption videos. It also has great tips for making the animals look their best on film.

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