



# Dogventures ... because adventure is fun, but adventure with a dog is better!

Whether it's a trip to Starbucks for a puppicino or a hike at Great Falls, our dogs love to go on adventures with humans! Getting out of a kennel setting for a few hours, all day, or even for a sleepover helps our dogs stay happy, healthy and ready for adoption. And its fun for the humans too!



**Getting started is easy. Just email [dogventures@lostdogrescue.org](mailto:dogventures@lostdogrescue.org) to set up your first dogventure.**

## FAQs:

**Do I have to be a current volunteer or foster with LDCRF to participate?**

No! We love newcomers!

**What paperwork do I have to sign or fill out?**

We have a foster contract you will sign before your first dogventure. After that, each time you take a dog out you just have to let us know prior so we can log your canine friend in and out and advise you about which dogs are most suited to your plans.

**Are there places I can't go with an LDCRF dog?**

Please do not take an LDCRF dog to a dog park. They see plenty of dogs anyway, and would much rather do something different and exciting! Most importantly, it isn't safe to manage an unfamiliar dog in the presence of other unfamiliar dogs. Dog parks are sometimes tense places for dogs, which leads to trouble.

Other restrictions might apply for specific dogs, and we'll tell you about those when you let us know what you have in mind.





### **Can I take a dog for a dogventure with my dog?**

Maybe. That depends on the dog you choose. We can help you find a dog who is happy to meet other dogs and would enjoy a hike or backyard romp with your dog-friendly pup.

### **Where do I pick up my dogventure dog?**

We have a kennel facility in Falls Church right below the 7Corners intersection. When you sign up for your first dogventure, we will send directions.

### **Are there specific pickup/dropoff times?**

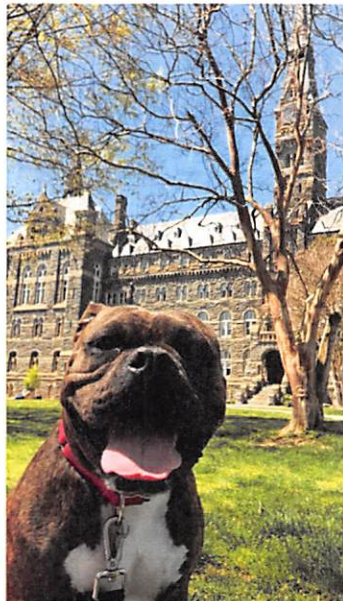
Yes, dogs can be picked up and dropped off between 7-12 or 2-5. Sometimes we can arrange later in the evening by request.

### **Can you provide a crate for transporting my dogventure buddy?**

We sure can. We can loan you a crate, dog bowls, a snack for Fido, poop bags, a harness and whatever else you need for your dogventure.

### **Will there be someone I can contact in case of emergency?**

Yes. We will give you emergency contact numbers before you head out.





## DOGVENTURES GUIDELINES

1. Email [dogventures@lostdogrescue.org](mailto:dogventures@lostdogrescue.org) ahead of time with the following information:

Date and time of your dogventure

What dog you plan to take

Where you plan to go

When you plan to return

Your cell phone number

2. Make sure a member of the LDCRF foster team has confirmed approval of your plans.
3. When you pick up your dogventure pal, fill out the Dogventure form and put it on the kennel.
4. Be sure to take an adopt me leash, a harness, poop bags, a little bit of kibble if you are going to be gone all day or overnight, bowls if you need them, towels & blankets if necessary. Grab a crate from the room behind the office if you need one for transport.
5. Remember, NO DOG PARKS!
6. Do not introduce our dogventure pal to other dogs unless you have discussed it with the foster team and obtained permission.
7. If you do have permission to introduce your dogventure pal to other dogs, make sure those dogs are fully vaccinated. If you aren't sure, don't let them meet.
8. Program the following emergency numbers into your cell phone before you leave the kennels. Please text to identify who you are so we will be sure to grab your call or call you back immediately.

Barbara Hutcherson: 703-989-7340

Michelle Whitaker: 703-598-1790

9. Take some LDCRF postcards or business cards with you for potential adopters!
10. Take selfies, photos, and video and be sure to post them along with a recap of your dogventure on the the Lot Dog & Cat Rescue Volunteer Facebook page. You can also email them to [dogventures@lostdogrescue.org](mailto:dogventures@lostdogrescue.org)

**Thank you so much for giving a dog a break! Have fun!!!!**



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	Foster contract has been signed
	Dogventure sign on dog's kennel
	Poop bags
	Adopt me leash
	Harnesss
	LDCRF cards
	Kibble if needed
	Treats
	Emergency numbers in phone



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