



Foster 50 Challenge 2026 Challenge Results Form

This post-challenge results form is designed to be simple and efficient, while showcasing organizations that made a meaningful impact by supporting pets through fostering. By combining key data points with a short narrative, the form highlights each organization's effort, outcomes, and insights gained.

1. Challenge results data to help assess the impact of your organization's efforts

Please provide foster program data from the **CHALLENGE** period (May 1 – July 31, 2026).

- Number of active foster volunteers as of May 1, 2026
- Number of active foster volunteers as of July 31, 2026
- How many new fosters you recruited between May 1 – July 31, 2026
- Number of dogs placed in foster care between May 1 – July 31, 2026
- How many dogs adopted from your organization between May 1 – July 31, 2026
- How many cats adopted from your organization between May 1 – July 31, 2026

2. Foster caregiver onboarding process

Which of the following are part of the process for becoming a foster caregiver at your organization? (Select all that apply)

- Complete a foster application, Interview (in person or by phone), Home visit
- Background check, Meet other household members, Meet pets currently living in the household, Foster caregiver training, Review of veterinary records or existing household pets, Sign foster agreement, Landlord approval/check, Reference check

3. At the conclusion of the challenge, how has your foster program evolved?

Please describe any progress made during the challenge (e.g., program launch, growth, improvements or refinements), key takeaways and how you plan to sustain or expand your foster efforts moving forward. (2,000-character limit)

4. Which foster recruitment approaches did you use during the challenge? (Select all that apply)

- Social media or email campaigns, Events (in-person or virtual), Partnerships (businesses, schools, community groups), Incentives or supply support, Staff or





- volunteer outreach, Improve communication and foster support
 Other (please specify) _____

Briefly describe which approaches were most effective and why.
(Optional short response) (2,000-character limit)

- 5. During the challenge period, did your organization try new or expanded activities to move more animals into foster care?**
- Yes
 - Partially
 - No

If yes or partially, please briefly describe what you tried and what you learned.
(Optional short response) (2,000-character limit)

- 6. During the challenge, did your organization try new or expanded foster activities to help increase adoptions?**
- Yes
 - Partially
 - No

If yes or partially, please briefly describe what you tried and any early results or learnings.
(Optional short response) (2,000-character limit)

7. Highlight Story *Required*

Please share a foster story from the challenge that best illustrates the impact of your foster efforts. Tell us about one foster animal whose journey stood out – who they are, their situation when they entered foster care and how foster support helped move them toward adoption or improved outcomes.

Required uploads:

- At least 1 photo or video of this foster animal
- Additional photos or videos are encouraged

By submitting this story and media, you confirm you have permission to share these materials for storytelling, reporting and promotional purposes.





Foster 50 Participant Post-Challenge Survey

Do you plan to participate in Foster 50 again in 2027? Yes No

The Foster 50 Challenge took place in May–July. Do you think this is a good time of year to run the challenge? Yes No

If "no," what time of year is preferable?

- Q1 (Jan-Mar)
- Q2 (April-June)
- Q3 (July-Sept)
- Q4 (Oct-Dec)

In terms of resources and continuing education, please check the areas you'd like to see MORE of in 2027 (select up to 2)?

Educational webinars, Success stories and case studies, Podcasts, Weekly open office hours to allow an intimate forum for questions and conversation, Short-form video content of quick hits/tips

Are there any specific topics related to foster you'd like to see addressed next year? (Optional short response) (2,000-character limit)

If you have time, please provide any other specific feedback on the Foster 50 program that you'd like to see in 2027. (Optional short response) (2,000-character limit)

