

# Whatcom Humane Society

## Home To Home® Partnership



Before Surrendering a pet to the Whatcom Humane Society we ask that you post the pet on **Home To Home®** and make attempts to find new placement for at least 10-14 days. This helps keep our kennels available to animals that are in the highest need of our resources. Home To Home is FREE and offers both rehoming and temporary foster housing services.

### How to Use Home To Home

1. **Register to Create Your Account** - Getting started is free, fast, and easy. Create your Home To Home account to access a private messaging portal, and tools to manage your pet's profile and status.
2. **Create a Pet Profile** - Introduce your pet to potential adopters by sharing their personality and habits. Be sure to add photos to highlight your pet's personality, and submit the profile for approval.
3. **Connect with Community Adopters** - Once your profile is approved by WHS staff it will appear on our partner page, where adopters can find it. Here are the benefits:
  - a. **Potential Adopters Reach Out to You** - Interested adopters will contact you directly through the Home To Home platform with no need to share personal contact information. Chat with adopters, ask important questions, and share details to make sure it's a good fit.
  - b. **Plan Meet-and-Greets** - Schedule introductions at your convenience to help decide if it's a good match.
4. **Finalize the Adoption** - When you've found the right adopter, start the final steps by signing and sending a provided digital adoption agreement to the adopter. The adopter finalizes the process with a digital signature and a small Home To Home adoption fee of \$25. **Reminder:** *Home To Home does not allow fees to be collected by the original pet guardian outside the platform.*

### Tips for Rehoming Success

- **Be Honest** - Share both the positives and challenges of your pet's personality to help find the right match.
- **Use Good Quality Photos** - Clear, high-quality images help your pet's profile stand out.
- **Respond Promptly** - Check your messages frequently. Quick responses show adopters that your committed to finding a good home.