

**In order to ensure the safety & welfare of the animals rescued from DAS, we require that each rescue fill out an application & be approved prior to releasing any animals.**

## **Denver Animal Shelter Animal Rescue Network (ARN) Procedures**

The Denver Animal Shelter (DAS) will develop an Animal Rescue Network (ARN) for the benefit of placing our companion animals into humane environments. DAS recognizes the importance of an Animal Rescue Network, therefore the following procedures have been established (reference: DRMC 8-153.5).

- An approved and current DAS application must be on file prior to release of any animals.
- DAS will mail the rescue organization a renewal application annually by November 1<sup>st</sup>. This is a follow-up application to the original. This prevents redundancy and keeps DAS records updated with the most accurate information.
- Animals will only be released to network members authorized to sign out animals, either on the original application or the follow-up application.
- The ARN member will have 48 hours from initial contact to pick up the animal.
- There will be no charge for animals released to ARN members by DAS.
- If an ARN member wishes to adopt an animal from the adoption kennels without being contacted by DAS, the ARN member can do so by following the normal DAS adoption procedures and fees.
- If an ARN member refers a potential adopter to the DAS regarding an animal from the adoption kennels, the normal DAS adoption procedures and fees will be followed.
- Animals in the lost and found kennels of DAS must be kept at least 5 days, and are not available until they have passed status change and been given an opportunity to be adopted at DAS.
- DAS does not transfer any registration papers with the animal.
- The ARN member is responsible for the spay/neuter of animals released to the care of the ARN unless the organization is not PACFA licensed then the organization must either pay a spay/neuter deposit or pay DAS to spay/neuter the animal prior to leaving the shelter.
- DAS cannot guarantee the health of the animal, or be responsible for any illness transmitted to other animals in the care of the ARN member.
- The ARN housing facilities may be visited and/or inspected by a representative of DAS at anytime.
- Failure to adhere to these procedures may result in the termination of this agreement.
- This agreement may be terminated by either party at any time, with written notice.
- The email(s) sent to ARN members are intended only for the persons to whom the City and County of Denver sent it, forwarding is strictly prohibited as all of the approved organizations already receive it.
- All ARN members must comply with all local and state (PACFA) animal regulations.
- **DAS reserves the right to deny any application.**

I have read the Animal Rescue Network (ARN) Procedures.

[I agree to the terms: \(ARN Application\)](#)