



**BIG CYPRESS
GERMAN SHEPHERD RESCUE**

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ADOPTION APPLICATION

NOTE: Please be aware that adoption donations are, without exception, NONREFUNDABLE.

Applications that are not completely filled out will be discarded without notice. If a question does not apply to you, please fill in the blank with "N/A".

Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue appreciates your interest in adopting one of our rescued dogs. German Shepherd Dogs are a strong working breed in need of experienced and active families. We offer training in conjunction with Shelzsmide K9 of Naples, and recommend both formal and informal training with your German Shepherd for the life of the dog.

We will notify you and move forward with the adoption process should we have a dog available for you. Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue reserves the right to deny applications without explanation at our discretion.

Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue relies on your donation to care for all the homeless dogs in our care. Adoption donations range from \$250.00 to \$450.00. Adoptions of puppies under 12 weeks of age are \$500.00 and will require an additional \$250.00 refundable spay/neuter deposit. This donation helps defray the costs of veterinary care given to your dog prior to adoption. This care includes some or all of the following (but not limited to): all vaccinations, heartworm testing and prevention medication, flea prevention, fecal testing and deworming if necessary and surgical procedures for spay/neuter. Your adoption donation also helps feed, house and provide veterinary care for the dogs still waiting to be adopted, and is NON-REFUNDABLE.

You are not buying a dog, you are making a donation. Thank you for understanding.

Please make your check out to:

Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue

Signature: _____ Date: _____

BIG CYPRESS GERMAN SHEPHERD RESCUE PET ADOPTION APPLICATION

Name _____ Home Phone _____

CellPhone _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____ Unit # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Driver's License# _____ Expiration _____

Date of Birth _____

Name of Employer/Self Employed? _____

How long have you been Employed here? _____

Do you (Circle One) Own / Rent Is it (Circle One) Apartment/Mobile Home/House/

Other _____

Landlords Name _____

Phone# _____

Is the owner of the property amenable to having a German Shepherd dog on the property? _____

Please provide contact information for your landlord: _____

Is the HOA amenable to having a German Shepherd dog on the property? _____

Do you have a fenced in yard? _____ Please describe your fence _____

Can a dog dig out of the fence? _____

_____ I agree to have a home inspection prior to adopting the dog. I further agree to mitigate any issues that arise from the inspection before obtaining ownership.

How many adults in your household? _____

Children? _____ Ages of children _____

Do all family members know about the new pet? If not, please explain

_____ Any allergies or health concerns in the family due to pets _____

Have you ever adopted a pet before: _____ Where _____ When? _____

Do you still have the adopted pet? _____

Have you ever taken a pet to a shelter for adoption? _____ When? _____

Why _____

How many pets do you own now:

Dogs _____ Male/Female Age _____ Spayed/Neutered _____

Cats _____ Male/Female Age _____ Spayed/Neutered _____

Other pets: _____

Are there any animals in the household not owned by you? _____

Please explain: _____

Who is your primary Veterinarian? _____

Phone _____

Are there any special reasons you want to adopt? Special goals you have for your new pet? Please include as many details as possible.

Is there a specific dog at BCGSR that you are interested in? Please tell us why.

Will an adult be home during the day? _____ What hours _____ During the night? _____

What hours _____

Will your new pet mostly be: Inside _____ Outside _____ Both _____

How long if outside? _____

How would you confine your new pet when it is outside?

Fenced yard _____ Chain _____ Pulley run _____ Border train _____ Dog Run _____

No Confinement _____

Other _____

Do you know and understand the leash and licensing law in your area? Do you have questions about leash/licensing laws?

De you have experience in Housebreaking? _____ Socialization? _____

Obedience Training? _____

Projected feeding schedule for your new pet? _____

How would you handle destructive behavior from your new pet, such as: Chewing, Digging, Scratching furniture, etc.

Are you aware of basic vaccination and health needs of pets: Distemper____ Parvo____ Rabies____
Heartworm____ Feline Leukemia/FIV____ Internal Parasites, deworming____
Flea control____ Kennel cough____ Clipping toenails____ EarCare____ Dental care____
Do you feel yourself financially able to care for a new pet if an emergency should arise?

Do you agree to have your new pet spayed or neutered? _____
Show proof of spayed/ neutered within the first 3 months of owning new pet if appropriate? _____

Will you agree to attend a new puppy or age-appropriate obedience class with in the first 3 months of obtaining your new pet? _____
(We offer training at Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue through our affiliation with Shelzsmide K9)

Show proof of attaining obedience class?

Where did you hear about Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue?

Do you agree to allow a representative from BSGSR to come to your home and visit at any time without prior notice? _____

____ I will allow Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue full access to the dog. If the dog appears to be abused or neglected upon spot inspections, Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue will remove the dog from the property

____ I hereby certify that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge

____ I accept all conditions set forth in this document

Signature/Print: _____

Date: _____

Please List three personal references whom you have known at least three years that we can contact that know of your relationship with animals:

Name/Phone:

1.

2.

3.

Please list 3 professional/working references you have known at least one year whom we can contact.

Name/Phone:

1.

2.

3.

AGREEMENT FOR NEW ADOPTERS

_____ I shall make a reasonable commencement of time and effort, and to affect scheduling and lifestyle changes in order to make this relationship work.

_____ I shall make sure my dog is not exposed to the elements of weather. My dog will live inside with me at all times

_____ I shall keep the dog with me as much as possible and treat him as an important member of my family.

_____ I will provide my dog with the proper nutrition for optimum health, and keep my dog at the proper weight, neither obese nor emaciated.

_____ I will keep my dog inside my home, and to include him in the activities of the household as much as possible.

_____ I will keep my dog groomed and free of internal / external parasites and matting.

_____ I will give my dog ample aerobic exercise daily, including daily leash walks and sufficient free play (at least 3 times a week, safe free run doing "dog things" while under supervision)

_____ I will provide my dog with mental stimulation in the form of play, interactive toys, and training, daily.

_____ I will provide my dog with enough training and/or behavioral management to enable him to be a welcome part of the community.

_____ I will provide my dog ample outlets such as: leash walks/running/biking, agility, training, fun and rewarding obedience training, play time with other dogs) so that he does not feel constantly frustrated, or develop behavioral problems because he is neglected or under-stimulated.

_____ I will provide my dog with suitable toys to satisfy his urge to chew

_____ I will provide a home in which my dog clearly knows there are certain rules that I will insist on.

_____ I will keep my dog on heartworm prevention on a year round basis, and provide proof to the Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue upon request

_____ I will keep my dog on flea prevention on a year round basis, and provide proof to the Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue upon request.

_____ I will get professional help if my dog has or develops behavior or temperament problems, and notify the Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue of any issues that occur.

_____ I will do everything I can to keep my dog from becoming a nuisance in my community, I will keep my dog on a 6' leather or nylon leash during walks and never use a retractable leash.

_____ I will not allow him to run free/out of control, chase cars, bicycles, children, etc. I will keep my dog on a 6' leather or nylon leash during walks and never use a retractable leash.

_____ I will crate train my dog to help house breaking training and / or destructive issues, and NEVER use the crate as a punishment.

_____ I will seek professional help if needed to get my dog to be quiet, both while I am at home or away, so he does not disturb my neighbors.

_____ I pledge that if for any reason, I can no longer provide care for this dog, I will not abandon this dog. I will return him to Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue, and will truthfully tell the staff why the dog is returned, and any concerns regarding the dog's behavior, good or bad. (Non Refundable fees).

_____ I understand that the dog I am adopting may have health issues or concerns that were not present or known at the time of adoption, and those health issues will be my responsibility unless I choose to return the dog to Big Cypress German Shepherd Rescue.

By initialing each line and signing this Agreement, I pledge that I have read and understand and AGREE to all terms in this contract.

Signature/Printed Name:

Date:
