

MaddiesFund.org

A tool to help **FOSTER CAREGIVERS or ADOPTERS** with enhanced support for questions or challenges, while providing valuable insights to your organization.

What is Maddie's® Pet Assistant?

Foster caregivers and adopters frequently have questions after bringing a new pet into their home and often don't have an easy way to find the answer. Maddie's Pet Assistant (MPA) is a web and mobile-based application (app) developed by Maddie's Fund[®] to help animal shelters and rescue organizations communicate with and provide support to these caregivers. Think of it as another tool in your toolbox to help animals succeed in their journey beyond the shelter.

How does your organization benefit?

This unique app benefits not only adopters or foster caregivers, but also shelter and rescue organizations. It's a win-win!

Benefits include:

- Learning how to help adopted pets stay in their new homes and how to help foster pets settle into their temporary homes.
- Clearly communicating to adopters and foster caregivers that you care about their success.
- Enhancing the customer service and adoption experience; enhancing caregiver's experience for foster program retention.
- Strengthening support programs for new pet parents and foster caregivers; and most importantly, knowing which programs they truly need.
- Gaining valuable data about pets' behavior and health in a home environment.
- Engaging volunteers and staff with continued professional education.
- Collecting a wealth of adorable stories, pictures and videos directly from adopters and foster caregivers via the app's sharing function.

How does Maddie's® Pet Assistant work?

It's all about support and communication. The app gives new caregivers the ability to submit questions, photos and videos and take health and behavioral surveys. Via submitted surveys, your organization can gather valuable information about how the pet is doing in their foster or adoptive home, especially as it relates to potential problems or challenges. If an adopter or foster caregiver reports a concern in a survey, they receive an immediate email response, crafted by experts, to educate them and help resolve the issue. As a bonus, your organization's staff and/or volunteers can review all submitted survey responses in order to provide customer service and offer additional, direct support as needed.

What are the tech requirements?

Maddie's Pet Assistant can automatically import data from Animal Shelter Manager, PetPoint, Shelterluv and Shelter Buddy. Organizations also have the opportunity to manually enter data into the back-end system, if not a client of one of the above. All you need to get started is an internet connection!

Interested in learning more or registering to use the App?

To learn more, send us an email at mpa@maddiesfund.org or register your organization now!

