



DANE OUTREACH

*A federal 501(c)(3) charitable organization devoted to the
placement of Great Danes who have lost their homes.
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Lynden, WA 98264
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Thank you for your interest in adopting a rescued Great Dane from Dane Outreach. The adoption application and agreement can be found following this cover letter. Before you complete your application, we would like you to know some of our adoption requirements and policies:

- We require that an adoption application be completed and approved. Please note that this is the first step and you must have an approved application before inquiring about or meeting available dogs.
- Our policy requires that all adoptive homes have a securely-fenced yard or a suitable dog kennel. The minimum height for fencing is five feet for a yard and six feet for a dog kennel. We do not adopt dogs out to homes without a fenced yard, or a yard that has only “invisible fencing.” If you are planning to fence your yard at a later date, please wait until your fencing is completed to fill out an application. To find out about additional fencing requirements please contact us. Dane Outreach reserves the right to determine what is considered suitable for a Great Dane.
- Great Danes are indoor dogs requiring close contact with their human families. Because of this, we do not adopt Danes to homes which wish to have a dog who lives outside.
- All dogs are spayed or neutered prior to being adopted. There are no exceptions to this policy.
- A home visit may be required prior to an adoption.
- We request a donation of \$175.00 upon adoption, plus reimbursement for veterinary costs if applicable.
- Please note even if an application has been approved, Dane Outreach reserves the right to refuse an adoption to an approved home if they deem the home is not suitable for the desired Dane.
- Additional requirements may also apply as applicable to individual dogs.

Directions For Submitting An Application Via Mail

1. Please print your application. To print an application, you need to have a current version of Adobe Acrobat Reader. This can be downloaded for free at <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep.html>
2. Complete application in dark blue or black ink. Please make sure it is legible. Illegible applications will be returned. Make sure to sign pages 3 and 4.
3. Attach your check for \$5.00 to cover the processing fee. Please make your check out to Dane Outreach.
4. Mail your application and check to: Dane Outreach-Applications. The address can be found at the top of this letter.
5. You will be notified when your application is received.
6. Once your application is received, it will be forwarded to the volunteer who reviews and approves or denies them. You will be contacted when the decision is made.
7. Please note that we are a volunteer organization and there may be a lag time between when we received your application and when you are notified. If you have not received a response within 10 days from sending your application, please call 206-654-5111 and leave a message.

Directions For Submitting An Application Via Fax (for faster processing)

1. Print and complete your application as directed above.
2. Fax your application to 866-311-7648.
3. Application fee can be paid by PayPal using Danedollars@Daneoutreach.org. Processing fee for faxed applications is \$6.00 (to account for the PayPal service fee).
4. Processing fee can also be mailed in but the application will not be processed until payment is received.

Thank you for your interest in our program. Please let us know if you have any questions.



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ADOPTION APPLICATION

The answers you give us on this application will help us to find the best possible match between you and the Great Danes available through Dane Outreach. Please fill this form out **completely** and **legibly** and return it with a \$5.00 (mailed) or \$6.00 (faxed) processing fee, payable to Dane Outreach, to the address listed on the back of this form. **Please note that we do require a securely fenced yard and spaying/neutering is mandatory. Incomplete forms will be rejected. Please complete form in black or dark blue ink.**

Name(s) : _____ Phone #s: Home _____

Work: _____ (OK to call at work? _____) Cell: _____

Best time and numbers to call: _____ Email: _____

Street Address, City, State & Zip Code: _____

Mailing address (if different): _____

Employer Name/Phone: _____

Spouse/Partner's Employer/Phone: _____

Personal Reference: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Do you own or rent your home? _____ If rented, do you have landlord's permission to keep a giant dog? _____

Landlord's name and phone number: _____

Do you live in a (circle): _____ house _____ apartment _____ trailer _____ other (described) _____

How long have you lived at this address? _____

If less than one year, give previous address: _____

Do you have a fenced yard? _____ List fence height and type: _____

Does the fencing completely enclose a yard for dog? _____

Do you have a separate kennel run? _____ List height, size, and type of flooring: _____

How many adults in household? _____ How many children? _____

Ages and sex of children: _____

Are there regular visitors to your home, human or animal, with whom your new dog must get along? _____

Describe: _____

Do you own other dogs? _____ Are they spayed or neutered? _____

Give breed, sex, and age of each: _____

Do you own cats? _____ How many? _____ Other animals owned: _____

Name, address & phone of regular veterinarian: _____

How many dogs have you owned in the last five years? _____ If no longer with you, what happened to dog(s)? (Please be specific – reason sold/gave away; age at, and cause of, death, etc.): _____

Have you owned Great Danes before? _____ Why did you choose this breed? _____

List all plans for this dog (circle): _____ pet _____ guard _____ obedience _____ 4-H _____

Do you want to adopt (circle): _____ male _____ female _____ no preference _____

Color preference: _____ Age preference: _____

Besides my preferences above, I would also consider a suitable dog of a different (circle): sex color age

Where will the dog spend the day? (circle as many as applicable) Loose indoors Crated Basement Garage
 Fenced yard Tied up outside Kennel run Other (describe) _____

How many hours, on the average, will the dog spend alone? _____

Where will the dog spend the night? (circle as many as applicable) Loose indoors Crated Basement garage
 Fenced yard Loose outdoors Kennel run Tied up outside Other (describe): _____

Do you understand that Dane Outreach requires this dog be spayed or neutered? _____

Do you agree to license this dog and give regular health care? _____

Do you agree to contact Dane Outreach if you can no longer keep this dog? _____

Would you be willing to let a representative of Dane Outreach visit your home by appointment? _____

If not, why? _____

How did you hear of Dane Outreach? _____

Dane Outreach does not charge for Danes placed in new homes, other than to recover our expenses. Dane Outreach requests a \$175.00 donation for the adoption of a Great Dane through our program. We also ask to be reimbursed for any spay or neuter charges and vet fees we may have incurred. Operating our non-profit in a caring and professional manner is important to us, and we can only do this through donations.

All the information I have given above is true and complete. Dane Outreach has my/our permission to contact individuals and/or businesses listed in above responses. Should an un-spayed or un-neutered Dane be placed with me, I agree to have it spayed or neutered within one month of adoption or by a date agreed upon by me and a representative of Dane Outreach. This dog will live in my home as a pet. It is solely my responsibility to provide adequate food, water, shelter, exercise, socialization, training, affection, safety and medical care. I understand that Dane Outreach is a referral service and is not responsible for the accuracy of information received about temperament, habits, or physical condition of Danes available for adoption. I understand that it is my responsibility to see and evaluate the dog for myself before agreeing to adopt it. I am in full agreement with these terms of adoption. Dane Outreach is in no way liable or responsible for any damage, accident or injury resulting from the placement of a dog into my household and I/we agree to indemnify and hold harmless Dane Outreach and its officers, members, and/or agents from any claims for damages arising from actions of a dog adopted by me/us.

 Applicant Signature Parent co-sign if applicant under 18 years of age Date

 Spouse or Partner Signature

WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE AN APPLICANT FOR ANY REASON

Thank you for contacting Dane Outreach. One of our representatives will be contacting you shortly after receiving your paperwork. If you have not received a response by phone, mail, or e-mail in 10 working days, contact Dane Outreach at 206-654-5111 and leave your name and number. We hope that you will be contacted before this call becomes necessary and, in most cases, you will be.

Please mail this completed and signed form, with \$5.00 (mailed) or \$6.00 (faxed) non-refundable processing fee, to:

Dane Outreach, P O Box 803, Lynden, WA 98264

To submit **via FAX**: Send to 866-311-7648; then **please be sure to write "FAXED on [date]"** on the top of your application. .

Below for office use only

Application received on: _____ Approved? _____ Approval letter sent: _____
 Denied? _____ Reason? _____ Denial letter sent: _____
 Copies to DO reps: _____



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TERMS OF ADOPTION

The following agreement specifies what we feel is required for a safe and loving home for a Dane and reflects our concern that both owner and Dane have a happy life together. We hope that you will understand that considerable emotional involvement, time and energy go into insuring that our rescue Danes have the best possible second chance at life. Our full Adoption Contract, which you will complete at the time of adoption, contains additional terms and details, but signing this Agreement, below, will signify your understanding of, and agreement with, our minimum requirements for any Dane adopted. The conditions summarized below are based on years of experience and a commitment to see that our rescue dogs find safe, permanent, loving homes.

If I am successful in the adoption of a Dane through the Dane Outreach program I promise to comply with the following conditions:

1. To keep this dog in my personal possession, provide proper and sufficient food, water, shelter, grooming, and humane treatment at all times.
2. If this dog has not been spayed or neutered at the time of adoption, I agree to have him or her spayed or neutered at my expense, within thirty (30) days. Proof of spaying or neutering will be provided in writing to Dane Outreach within ten (10) days of surgery. I will not allow this dog to be bred.
3. To provide veterinary care at once if the dog becomes ill or injured and to keep him/her current with all vaccines.
4. To provide him or her with an ID tag secured to a collar to be worn at all times in addition to the Dane Outreach tag. Dane Outreach recommends tattooing or micro-chipping for permanent identification.
5. To obey all animal control regulations in the area and to license this dog according to regulations within one month of adoption.
6. Not to sell, trade, transfer ownership, abandon, or dispose of this dog, but to notify Dane Outreach if I must relinquish custody of the dog. This includes release to family members.
7. To allow Dane Outreach representative to examine the dog and its living conditions and to surrender it to said representative for return to the organization if the conditions are found unsatisfactory.
8. To assume full responsibility for this dog's actions, and for any damage done by the dog.
9. To keep this dog as my household companion. To insure when outside unattended, the dog is in a secure fenced yard or kennel run with adequate shelter from the elements, and to never allow him or her to run loose.

The undersigned hereby agrees to keep any Dane adopted from Dane Outreach in compliance with these basic "Terms of Adoption" listed above, and understand that a complete Adoption Agreement with additional details will be completed at the time of adoption.

Signature _____

Signature _____

Printed Names _____

Date _____