



We are seeking a **foster home for Dominic** to help him overcome the stress and become a better candidate for adoption. He is not doing well living in the kennel environment - it's a high stress situation for any dog, and he is not reacting well to it as the months go on. He's been with us since August 17, 2022 – which is too long, he deserves a home! That's a long time for him to be in a kennel setting. **We feel the best thing for him would be to be in a stable home environment where he can decompress, take a break from the kennel, and get to know life in a home setting.**

Dominic's current behavior is a result of an adolescent dog who is showing signs of kennel frustration, jumping, mouthiness, leash biting and easily gets over threshold quickly. Dominic needs a break from the cage. These behaviors, from the staff's experience, can be seen on his walks. When he is in the lobby, he listens well. He has been working on sit, stay, watch me, and recall. At the shelter, we provide him with as much enrichment as we can in addition to the walks; however, **it's a lot to ask of a young dog to spend the better part of his day in a kennel.** He's a sweet boy who deserves to have stability in his training to help him work through these behaviors.

This is where you come in! **Would you be willing to open your home to Dominic** to allow him the chance to live in a home setting where he can work on his behaviors? He is up to date on all vaccines, neutered, and microchipped. Heal Animal Rescue will cover the cost of veterinary care and medicine, food, and supplies. We are looking for a foster parent that has dog experience and uses positive reinforcement for training. We can provide training tips and help you along the way. For the time being, he needs to be the only pet - no other dogs or cats. We want his home environment to be as stress free as possible. After training he can be reassessed by Heal staff.

Foster to adopt is not needed, but would be a plus. **The goal is to give him structure and stability away from the kennel setting.**

Thank you for considering Dominic!