# I'm called HOLLY, and I'm available for adoption

Holly was a little girl who was very close to death when AWF finally got her. Picked up as a stray, it was found she had Pyometra (a disease of the uterus, and which is comparable to appendicitis in humans. Left untreated, it will kill a dog very quickly). During emergency surgery, the vets fixing this problem found that Holly had a 4-pound tumor that needed to be removed from her uterus. To top it off, Holly was so thin that you could see every bone in her body. But now, Holly is in the care of a loving foster home where she is learning all about love and the security of being part of a pack. However, Holly will need a forever home with a lot of patience. She is very scared, shy, timid and nervous. She does not like any type of fast action around her head. It's heartbreaking to see how frightened this sweet girl is of everything.

AWF thinks Holly may be a Chesapeake Retriever mix who is about 7 years old. She will need a physically fenced-in yard at her forever home that will keep her contained and safe. Older, understanding kids should be okay, but smaller children would be too rambunctious for her, and she couldn't tolerate their quick movements. She is housetrained, and goes to the patio door when she has to go outside. Holly is an absolute snuggle bug; it's her favorite thing in the world! Now that she knows humans can be wonderful and loving, she wants to be entwined with them constantly. It's very sweet, and it shows that Holly's trust in humans is growing every day. AWF is dedicated to finding just the right family that will keep Holly all of her life, giving her time to adjust and learn that there are many wonderful people in the world. She wants to love and trust, and with the right family, she will find that life is truly fabulous!

**If you are interested in meeting Holly to see if you would like to adopt her, contact MELISSA:**

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Jones County, like many smaller counties, does not have an animal shelter, so AWF dogs are held at a local vet office. Jones County does allow stray animals to be held for 7 days to either be claimed or to find a new home. At the end of the 7 days, the animal CAN be put down if we do not find the animal a new home. So far, no animal has been put down unnecessarily in Jones County since AWF was formed. The Animal Welfare Foundation wants to find the dogs in our care forever homes where they can bond with a family immediately and permanently.

BREED DISCLOSURE: Due to the fact that most of our adoptable pets are strays, we cannot guarantee their breed. We list the pet's breed as the one that best matches the physical appearance, temperament, and personality of the animal. The pet may also be listed as a mix when it's actually a purebred.

Holly's adoption fee is on a sliding scale from $150 - $225, whatever you feel is right for you. All dogs in AWF's care are spayed or neutered, vaccinated, de-wormed, tested for heartworm and are on flea and heartworm preventative.

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Click on www.wesavepets.org to fill out an Adoption Application (under Forms)

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