Save Our Herders Outreach, Intake Policy

SOHO's mission to find loving permanent homes for abandoned herding dogs and herding dog mixes. SOHO is not a permanent refuge for unadoptable animals. All dogs are accepted on a case-by-case basis.

An evaluation for suitability in a foster home will be completed for all dogs prior to a final intake decision being made by the SOHO BOD or Intake Coordinator.

The final decision regarding the intake of a dog will be made by a Director on the Board of Directors or a Team Lead. Criteria used for approval include the age, health, and temperament of the dog, available space in our foster homes, and SOHO's financial situation. Owner relinquishments are accepted on a case-by-case basis. SOHO does not accept stray dogs found by private individuals unless an effort is been made to find the owner, as well as notification to local authorities. Dogs who are directly referred by an animal shelter, veterinarian or third party rescue organization and are in danger of being euthanized are considered a priority for acceptance into our program. SOHO always accepts dogs previously adopted from SOHO provided that a suitable foster home can be found.  These dogs will be evaluated for adoption prior to placement. SOHO volunteers are not permitted to initiate intake of a dog on SOHO's behalf without the approval of a Team Lead or a Board of Directors member. Intake procedures and policies are determined by the SOHO Board of Directors and may be reviewed periodically at the Board's discretion.