



Dear Applicant,

Thank you for expressing your interest in adopting a dog from Labrador Rescuers (LR).

Please note that due to Covid-19 and current stay-at-home orders, the application review and adoption processes are slower than normal. These delays are a result of:

- Having limited resources and working under unusual constraints
- Having a below average number of available dogs and receiving an above average number of applications.

Our entire organization is comprised of hard working volunteers who continue to show their dedication to re-homing stray, abandoned and unwanted dogs during this time. In the meantime, here are a few other things to keep in mind:

1. **The current wait time is approximately 2 – 3 Months from the time of application submittal until the applicant will be contacted by one of our representatives. May potentially be earlier.**
2. We do not operate on a first-come-first-serve basis. Instead, we match dogs and families based on their unique needs and interests. The criteria we use aim to achieve the most successful outcome in the long-term placement of the dog.
3. Submitting an application does not guarantee a dog.
4. Getting approved to adopt (after the home visit is conducted), does not guarantee the immediate adoption of a dog.
5. With less dogs and more applications for the same dogs, families may have to wait longer than usual to meet and adopt a dog. It may take from 3 months to a year to meet a dog.
6. We expect our inventory of dogs to increase and return to normal, at which time applicants who have been waiting will have more opportunities to meet and adopt a dog.

Thanks again for considering adopting from Lab Rescuers. We appreciate your patience during this time. **We encourage all applicants to work with multiple rescues to increase you chances at adopting a dog sooner.**

Best Regards,

Board of Directors
Labrador Rescuers