

HOT FLASH: XOLO PUPPIES AVAILABLE!

Dear Applicant:

We currently have four female, coated Xolo pups being cared for by volunteer puppy raisers. These pups will make excellent placements to loving, permanent homes for applicants who have chronic muscle pain and need a 24/7 live HOT dog heating pad!

We realize that the cost of a Xolo is expensive; that is why X-CPR was started to begin with. Unfortunately, we do not yet have the means to absorb most of the cost of a Xolo placement. We need fundraisers and volunteers! Your help could bring you that much closer to getting a placement.

However, X-CPR is a legal 501c3 nonprofit organization, and you may be able to have success in fundraising on your own. You can inform your potential donors that their donation- in your name- to X-CPR for the purpose of your Xolo placement, is a fully legal tax deduction for which they will receive a tax donation letter for whatever amount they donate on your behalf. When the amount of donations in your name reaches the costs of the placement, you will be placed with a dog.

Here is a description from their caretaker:

They've had all their shots and are housebroken.

They are leash-trained, car-trained, crate-trained and potty-trained. They use a dog door when they need to go. This is a good start on housebreaking as their instinct to keep the home clean and go only outside is strong. They are trained to stand still on a table for grooming or examination. They will calm down when told to "settle." We are working on "go to bed." basic obedience trained. Xena in particular would be a great service dog as she loves to retrieve. Zora and Coco are both incredibly smart.

They are learning:

Wait, Look, No, Calm or Settle, Sit, Get Up (on a low table), Stand, Teeth (while their teeth are examined), Go to Bed, Quiet. Walk quietly on leash, eliminate on command.

All exhibit the very Xolo trait of liking to eat fruit! On a recent walk, I stopped to pick ripe blackberries, and gave each girl one. They immediately began to pick ripe blackberries off the bush for themselves! My two other dogs came over to see what they were eating, but turned their noses up at berries.

The girls' coats are velvety, short, and have a lovely silky feel; their body temperature is easily felt through the short coat. They are very willing to lie on you so you can benefit from their warmth

1) Apricot, born July 15, 2009. Female, 3 months old. Apricot is a lovely rich apricot color with white markings. She is absolutely beautiful and one of the most colorful Xolos. Her coat is soft and silky. She weighs five pounds. Her adult weight should be between 10 to 12 pounds and about 12" high, a toy Xolo. Her ears are normally erect, but since she is going through teething they sometimes go up and down. She is sweet and lovely; loves to hug and wants to find her own special person. She is incredibly affectionate. She allows strangers to touch her and even runs up to new people. When you pick her up, she melts into you, as if trying to warm you. She likes children and other dogs and has been around a cat. She is extremely intelligent and will return in full any love or attention she is given.

2) Cocobear, born July 15, 2009. Female, 3 months old, chocolate brown color with white markings. She weighs five pounds and should be between 10-12 pounds and about 12" high as an adult, which is a toy size. This young girl is happy all the time; outgoing and affectionate; she loves to greet

people and is very curious. She thinks kids are great playmates. She is fine with other dogs and cats. She is very intelligent. She pays attention and likes to learn new things. She learned "sit" in one lesson. It took her only a few minutes to figure out how to walk on a leash. She loves to be held and cuddled.

3) Zora, Female, born March 10, 2009. 8 months. She has her adult height, 14 inches, and her adult weight, 16 pounds. This makes her a small miniature size. Her coat is golden tan color with black fringe across back and a black muzzle. Zora is a sturdy and loving playmate. She likes to be the one at the window to greet me when I get home. She is strong and muscular, with a long neck and firm back. A very healthy home companion. She is sensitive and loving. While lying in her dog bed at my feet, she often gets up and puts her head on my knee for a pat. She is easy to pick up and loves a hug. She is very intelligent and especially loves to be asked to get up onto a chair or low table. She loves to go for walks. She doesn't care for car rides. We are working on her sensitivity to cars and she's getting better. She can be trusted off leash to come when called. She is a fun dog.

4) Xena, Female, born November 2, 2008. One year. Black and tan, 9.2 pounds 12" high, a toy Xolo. She has a very short, tight coat that is shiny and satiny. Her ears stand naturally fully erect. She is sweet and lovely; loves to hug and wants to find her own special person. She allows strangers to touch her but prefers to have her owner close by. As a youngster she was quiet and reserved, but she has become increasingly outgoing. She is incredibly affectionate. She does not like be around noisy kids or to play rough. No problem with other dogs or cats. She now walks confidently on a leash in public. She does not like people to rush to pet her. She prefers to stick next to me. She has been surprising me lately by going up to people and kissing their hand, but only after we've stood next to them for awhile and she sees that I accept them. She is extremely intelligent and will return in full any love or attention she is given. As a youngster she had a broken

leg. A pin was surgically inserted and removed several weeks later. She has now completely healed and you would never be able to tell that she was hurt from the way she runs around. She loves toys and carries a toy with her everywhere. As a service dog, she would be better placed with someone who needs heat and retrieval (read: prevent more pain from activity) more than to take her everywhere or to work.

Each dog is \$1800. (includes application fee and 1 yr of service dog training consulting)+ air transportation. Unless you are able to pick up in New Jersey, airline shipping runs approximately \$250-300.

All your costs related to service dogs are tax deductible under medical, including cost of dog, food, vets, clothes, etc.

Please contact nancy@pawsforcomfort.com if you are at all interested, even if you are not ready or able to pay for the dog. Applications are on the website: www.pawsforcomfort.com