

Hello,

My name is Joel (but I go by Joey). I came to live with my foster parents about 7 months ago when my Daddy died and my Mommy could no longer care for me.

I was really sad and confused at first, but learned very quickly that I would be loved a lot by my foster parents. They have several other dogs of their own and we have other foster dogs coming and going all the time. No time to get bored or lonely. I am a very sweet, loving boy – most people say I act young for my age which is about 8 or 9. I really like younger girl dogs – they tend to get my “get up and go” going and I really have fun when we have a young foster girl in the house. I can run and play and keep up with the best of them.

We are having trouble finding me a new forever home because I have diabetes. My foster mom put me on a good diet and I lost 2 pounds (which probably helps me run so fast after the young ladies) and my insulin has been reduced from 7 units 2 X a day to 3 units 2 X a day. I am very well maintained and feel great all the time now. Some people say they are afraid to give shots, but I really don't mind getting them – I GET A TREAT afterwards so I sit very still. It really doesn't hurt. My foster dad says if he can give a shot anyone should be able to. He used to faint when he saw a needle! Other than the diabetes, I am VERY HEALTHY.

I WOULD REALLY LOVE TO HAVE A NEW FOREVER HOME FOR CHRISTMAS.

My foster mom says I can stay here as long as I need to but she feels I would be happier with my own humans who can give me lots and lots of undivided attention. I'm sure she is probably right – after all, humans are supposed to be smarter than us poodles but not by much. I wouldn't mind if there is another canine in the family –MAYBE A YOUNG LADY DOG ☺ to run and play with but will be just as happy with one or two human laps.

The only other things I could use for Christmas would be a new collar, harness and leash to make me look really snazzy when I go for show and tell at events or a bag of really good treats. I like the small berry flavored ones or the ones that are sweet potato and salmon flavored. It doesn't take big treats to make me happy.

Hope you all have a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Love,

Joey

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