

G.R.I.N. - WHO WE ARE

G.R.I.N. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1991, totally staffed entirely by volunteers and has more than 650 active members. We serve Northeastern Ohio, Western PA and many outlying surrounding areas that do not have a local golden rescue. Golden Retrievers come to us from various sources including shelters, pounds, strays and owner surrenders. G.R.I.N. is served by an uncompensated Board of Trustees who are elected each year and are responsible for various teams within our organization. Our IFA Team is responsible for intake, foster homes and adoption for each G.R.I.N. golden. They work with our local vet partners to ensure that every G.R.I.N. golden has all the necessary medical attention including all shots and preventative medicines as well as being spayed or neutered before they are placed in a forever home. Since our inception, we have placed over 2,800 Golden Retrievers in new homes. Let us help you find the perfect home for your beloved Golden Retriever.

Why consider G.R.I.N.?

- Your Golden will be placed in a loving family environment with all the comforts of home until they are adopted.
- G.R.I.N. will provide all needed care until they are adopted.
- Your Golden will be placed in a new home that has been carefully chosen for him or her.
- You can be assured that we will do everything possible to provide a new, loving home and family for your Golden Retriever.



WE ARE HERE TO HELP

If the need has arisen for you to find a new home for your Golden Retriever, please **contact us immediately** so we have enough time to plan and make the transition as smooth as possible for everyone, especially your Golden. For more information on our Relinquishment Process, please go to our website and click on the Relinquishment tab. If you still have questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at intake@grinrescue.org.

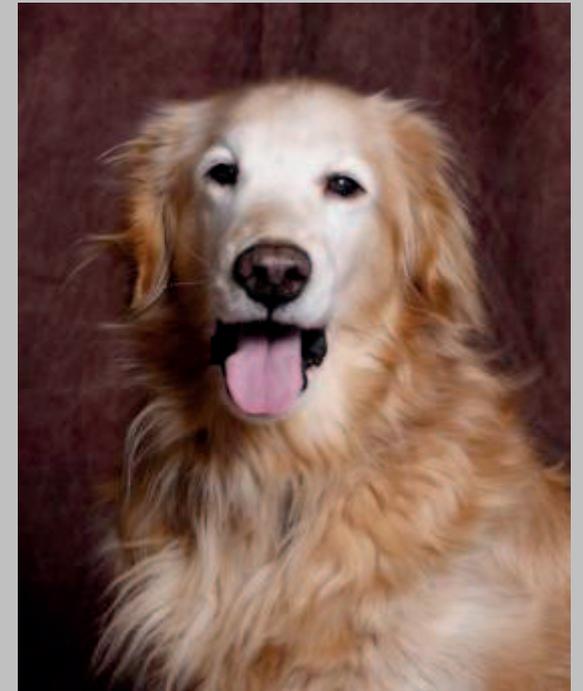
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Service, Inc. (G.R.I.N.)**
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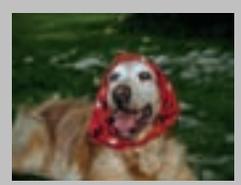
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TWINKIE



ANGEL

MOSES



PRECIOUS



G.R.I.N. MISSION STATEMENT

We are a volunteer-staffed organization dedicated to finding forever homes for rescued golden retrievers giving those displaced goldens a new beginning; provide public education on responsible dog ownership and care.

SURRENDER INFORMATION

G.R.I.N. understands that it may not always be possible for owners to provide for their pets in dire situations such as illness, job loss, relocation, or an owner death in the family. It is never an easy decision to relinquish your pet no matter what the circumstances.

We encourage you to take a few moments to visit "Can We Help You Keep Your Pet?" on our website to see if there is a way to avoid giving up your loving companion. The website offers many valuable tips on allergies, training, moving and travel, behavioral problems and many more issues that can arise when you care for your pet. Many problems can be corrected with proper training, patience and knowledge.

If finances are an issue, please see our "Financial Assistance Information" page for information on possible help with veterinary expenses and other needs.

If these solutions do not work for you and you have no other choice but to give up your golden, let us help you find the perfect home for your beloved Golden Retriever.

TO SURRENDER A GOLDEN

Please contact our Intake Coordinator volunteer by leaving a message on the G.R.I.N. voice mail at 216-229-0295, Voice Mailbox #0. If you have Privacy Manager or do not accept calls from blocked or private numbers, your call cannot be returned so please leave a number we can access. Or if preferred, you can send an e-mail with your information to the Intake Coordinator at intake@grinrescue.org. Please be sure to include your contact telephone number in the e-mail so that our Intake Coordinator volunteer can call you to discuss the intake process with you. You can expedite your relinquishment by completing the **Intake Profile** (PDF format) and mailing, e-mailing or faxing the form to us. Please note we require any medical records you may have on your golden be forwarded to us in addition to the intake form. This will ensure that we have the necessary information we need to process your golden accurately through our program.

Fax to: 440-943-6510

Mail to: G.R.I.N. Intake, PO Box 145, Willoughby OH 44096

E-mail to: intake@grinrescue.org

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

Once it is determined that your golden will be taken into our program, a member of our Intake Team is assigned to the golden to facilitate the relinquishment process including any pre-behavioral testing and the transfer of the golden.

Every dog that comes to G.R.I.N. is immediately seen by one of our G.R.I.N. partner vets throughout our adoption area to receive a comprehensive examination. Spay and neuters are also performed if not previously done on the golden. Our goldens all receive the needed medical care and preventions prior to being placed as "available for adoption."

Because we do not have a facility to house our goldens, finding a foster home is a crucial step in our Intake process. A foster home is where the golden receives a more definitive assessment of their temperament including the golden's ability to socialize and interact with cats, children and other dogs. The minimum assessment period is 14 days and no golden will be available for adoption without going through this transition time.

We take great pride in our Foster Program and our Foster Home volunteers. Our foster parents are dog-lovers and many are Golden Retriever owners, breeders or fanciers and are very familiar with the breed. They are capable of providing a well-rounded assessment of their foster dog which enables the Adoption Team to properly match the golden to the perfect forever family.

All potential G.R.I.N. adopters must complete an Adoption Application and go through a lengthy application process which includes a vet check, phone interview and home visit prior to meeting any potential match. This process ensures that we will find the best possible home for the golden and the match best fits the adoptive family.

For more information on our adoption process, please visit our website at www.grinrescue.org and click on "Adoption Process Information."

Will I be able to contact the adopter of my dog? Sorry, due to privacy restrictions, we are not permitted to divulge the names or any information of the adopters of our dogs. However, if requested, we will follow up via e-mail with the relinquishing person to let them know that their golden has been adopted and what type of home their dog is in. We hope that this effort helps in some small way to comfort the family after making the difficult decision to relinquish their golden.