

Just one look into Piper's golden eyes and you'll end up saying "aweeee". You can instantly see that she is a sweet, gentle, loving soul. You'll also find a devastating past searching for a better future. Piper must have lived on the streets for a few years without ever being touched by humans. Then she spent a year in a shelter where she was pregnant and gave birth to eight babies. Once Low Riders was made aware of her terrible situation, action was taken to get her safety. She is in a foster home now where her foster family is doing their best to make her feel safe, learn to trust humans and gain some much needed confidence. This sweet angel is very scared, nervous and anxious. She will need a lot of time, training, kindness, love and patience. She will need a forever home that does not have kids, is quiet/calm yet active, able to immediately enroll her in training with an experienced trainer, and can provide her with a routine. Piper would also benefit from having a confident dog in the home. She can not go to a home with other scared dogs. She currently looks to her foster doggy siblings for help and guidance. She doesn't know how to play with toys or other dogs yet, but she is dog friendly. She has not met any cats or other animals. She has great house manners. She never potties inside unless someone were to chase her, grab her, reach for her too quickly or do something that scares her then she will accidentally pee. She is food and treat motivated! She loves to gently take treats from her foster parents' hands. When all is quiet in the home, she will slowly approach her foster parents for some affection and cuddles. She is unsure about jumping up on the couch so her foster mom has to sit on the floor, wait for Piper to get brave and come over so she can pick her up and carry her to the couch to cuddle. Piper will settle into her lap and attempt to drown her in kisses. She truly wants to give love and be loved in return. She doesn't know how to ask for it yet, but she is learning on how to communicate and become brave about approaching people. She is terrified of the leash as of right now. Her foster mom will be starting some basic obedience training with her and leash training. Piper will not improve quickly. She may take several years to become a confident and outgoing dog. She needs a home that understands animal behavior and can afford to get her all the professional help that she needs. The result will amaze you in the end! We can see her progressing slowly and are already in love with the dog that she is becoming! Right now she may seem calm, but she can really benefit from an active lifestyle. A good cure for her pacing around the home/high anxiety is to get her out on walks and hikes. Once she is able to use a leash, she will make an amazing hiking, running or walking buddy. Whoever decides to bless Piper with a loving forever home will not regret having to put in so much work. The love you will get in return will

be well worth it! Piper is a 1.5 year old, 30 lb Kelpie blend. If you would like to meet Piper please fill out an application at

www.lowridersofthewest.org

Piper's adoption fee is \$325.00 - she is spayed, up to date on all her vaccinations and chipped