

Why do Airedales need "Rescue"?

We are asked this question all the time. We've listed a few of the many reasons so you can understand the situations some of these dogs have come from.

- Lost or stray
- The owner dies
- The family moves and cannot take the Airedale with them
- The owner's job requires them to be away from home for long periods
- Divorce
- The family has a new baby and cannot handle both the Airedale and the child
- The owner is tired of the Airedale
- The owner has grown too old to care for the Airedale
- Owner or family illness or allergies
- The family cannot afford to keep the Airedale
- ... and many, many more reasons!

How we hear of Airedales in need

Our rescue Airedales come from a variety of sources. We learn about them from:

- Shelters and Humane Societies
- Volunteers
- Groomers
- Family members
- Petfinders
- Other interested parties
- Breeders
- Veterinarians
- Owners



How ATRA works

As soon as we are informed of an Airedale in need, our work begins.

- We hear of an Airedale in need.
- Arrangements are made to take possession of the Airedale and transport it to a veterinarian.
- If it appears to be a lost dog, attempts are made to reunite it with its family.
- If the Airedale is homeless, it is vaccinated and checked for heartworm and worms. The Airedale is spayed or neutered (if not done already) and treated for any medical condition.
- The Airedale is bathed and groomed if required.
- A foster home is located and the Airedale is placed temporarily for evaluation of temperament, personality and training.
- The search begins for the "right" home, matching the dog with the most appropriate family.
- The prospective new family arranges to meet the Airedale.
- An adoption contract is completed and a donation is requested. Typically \$300 to \$400 is donated.
- We follow up on our friends to see how things are going. We want both the new family and the Airedale to be happy.



Find out about our Airedales...

...On our website at www.aire-rescue.com.

...In our monthly newsletter **Aire-Mail**. You can subscribe to **Aire-Mail** by making a donation of at least \$20. See reverse side for "how you can make a donation".

How you can adopt an Airedale

- Contact a rescue volunteer.
- Read about "The Application Process" on our website at www.aire-rescue.com.
- Fill out an application on-line through the website. If you do not have access to the internet, you can contact one of the names on the reverse side for an adoption packet.
- A volunteer will contact you. We will do a telephone interview and check your references.
- An ATRA volunteer will come to your home for a home visit. We like to personally visit with the people and see the home where one of our rescue Airedales will be living.
- Watch our website and newsletter for the "right" Airedale to come into rescue.
- Arrange to meet one of our volunteers and the Airedale.
- Welcome your new family member.
- Live happily ever after...



ATRA – the organization

ATRA is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation formed in 1995. We operate in the following states and provinces:

Arkansas	Colorado
Illinois	Indiana
Iowa	Kansas
Kentucky	Michigan
Minnesota	Mississippi
Missouri	Nebraska
Ohio	Wisconsin
Ontario, Canada	

We are all volunteers. We receive no compensation other than the deep satisfaction in knowing that we are saving the lives of these dogs who are vigilant guards, relentless messengers, gentle baby-sitters, brave soldiers, hilarious clowns, and mostly dear friends.

Funding

We receive our operating income from the generous contributions of our friends and benefactors. When a dog is placed in a permanent home, we ask for a donation. We also participate in many fund raising activities during the year. These include the following:

- Holiday pet pictures and gift wrapping.
- Annette's Airelooms – our “store” of over 100 Airedale related items you can buy. Items are featured in our semi-annual catalog, on-line in our website and in our monthly newsletter.
- Auction Extraordinaire - auction of unique Airedale items (Michigan)
- Fall Aire Frolic - auction of unique Airedale items (Wisconsin)
- Raffle items

How you can help

- Adopt an Airedale and give it a loving home.
- Foster an Airedale. Provide it with temporary shelter, care and love. Help re-establish the social skills and confidence it needs to once again become a loyal pet.
- Donate much needed money.
- Get involved in rescue. Foster or transport. Become a member of our team of volunteers.
- Help with our fundraisers or on one of our committees.
- Purchase items from Annette's Airelooms, our Airedale item catalog.
- Donate a special Airedale item for our auction.
- Pass the word on to would-be adopters.
- Subscribe to our newsletter, **Aire-Mail**.



How you can make a donation

You can make a donation to ATRA in one of the following two ways:

- With a check or money order payable to “ATRA”
- By VISA, Mastercard or Discover. We need the card number and expiration date.

Send the above along with your name, address, phone and e-mail to:



ATRA
1123 Vesper Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

How you can contact us

For more information or assistance, call:

Lynn O'Shaughnessy	517-546-8303
Paul Diggins	719-634-2508
Paula Lackner	715-526-5961
Alison Lang/Mike Kaslik	734-995-4455
Ellen McGeagh	248-645-0587

or contact the volunteer listed below:



Contact information for each state can also be found on our website at www.aire-rescue.com.

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