WASHINGTON FERRET RESCUE & SHELTER <u>SPONSOR A</u> <u>FERRET!</u>

Where will your sponsorship money go?

- Food: With 50+ ferrets, the Shelter goes through at least five 201b. bags of food each month. Many ferrets come into the Shelter eating different brands of food, which the Shelter endeavors to keep on-hand to ease the ferrets' transition into Shelter life.
- **Rent/Utilities:** The air-conditioner and fans are always running to keep the ferrets from over-heating in the summer months and the heater is working full-time to keep everyone toasty-warm in the winter. The space itself is a crucial part of being able to care for these animals, but it does not come cheaply. (Rent is 1,000/mo)
- Medications: Many animals are surrendered because their owners cannot provide adequate vet care. Oftentimes, ferrets are greatly stressed by coming into the Shelter and can suffer from a variety of ailments requiring syringe feeding, subcutaneous fluids, and medications such as Pepcid A/C, Pepto, Amoxi, etc. A large portion of our foster animals are also afflicted by diseases like Insulinoma & Adrenal Disease. Treatment for these involves the use of Prednisolone and Lupron respectively. Ferrets that have either of aforementioned diseases will be on medication for life, which is an on-going expense for the Shelter. (We spend a min of \$400/mo for Lupron alone)
- **Bedding:** Blankets can quickly become wet and/or soiled and some elderly or incontinent animals need theirs changed several times a day. Dirty bedding must also be laundered, which is another cost to the Shelter.
- **Supplies:** The Shelter consumes large amounts of cleaning products to keep the facility sanitary for the animals, staff, volunteers, and adoptive families. This includes, but is not limited to: paper towels, garbage bags, wood stove pellets (litter), cleaners/parvocides, hand & dish soaps, laundry detergent & bleach.
- **Toys:** Mental stimulation reduces stress. Ferrets must have toys to occupy themselves in their cages and time out to play each day.

How will Washington Ferret Rescue & Shelter thank you for your generous support?

- A link will be placed to your website from the "Sponsor Ferrets" page of our popular website.
- You will be thanked by mail and given regular updates on how your ferret is doing in his/her foster home. Photographs will also be provided where possible.

YES, I would like to help care for ferrets at the Washington Ferret Rescue and Shelter!

- □ \$10/month/ferret covers food or a 100mcg dose of Lupron.
- \Box \$20/montbJferret covers both.
- \$30/month/ferret covers food and a 200mcg dose of Lupron (typical with male ferrets).
- \square \$100 covers one major surgery.

I would like to sponsor: -----

(Name of ferret or ferrets)

_____ Phone: _____

 Name:
 ______ Phone:

 Address:

Email&URL:

Please make your check payable to:

Washington Ferret Rescue & Shelter

12514 128th Lane NE

Kirkland, WA 98034

Please feel free to drop by the Washington Ferret Rescue & Shelter to meet some of the furry friends you will be so graciously helping! For more information, please call 206-442-2025 or visit our web site http://www.washingtonferret.org.