What to Do if You’ve Found a Dog

1. **Does the dog have a tag or other contact info?** There may be owner or veterinarian contact information on its collar.

2. **Snap a few good photos of the dog**, including the face and body. Make sure to leave the collar on and feature identifying marks. Don’t alter the appearance of the dog – this includes grooming.

3. **Upload a photo of the dog’s face to the Petco Love Lost app** or [website](#). This tool uses facial recognition to match lost and found pets. If an owner has posted a photo of their lost dog, Petco Love Lost will connect you.

4. **Make a Found Dog Report with PetHarbor**, which is shared with local shelters, [HERE](#).

5. **Make a Found Dog Report with Helping Lost Pets [HERE](#)**. This will share the report on social media, place the report in a national lost and found pet database / interactive map, and create a free found dog flier for you.

6. **Share the flier** on Nextdoor and post fliers in the neighborhood in which the dog was found. Dogs are generally found within a few hundred feet of where they live! Post the fliers with animal hospitals, pet supply stores, community bulletin boards, community mailboxes, etc.

7. **Walk the dog around the neighborhood** in which it is found and see if anyone recognizes it. Knock on neighbors’ doors to see if they recognize the dog. Again, most dogs are found close to where they belong.

8. **Take the dog to an animal hospital or pet supply store** to scan for a microchip. Even if there is no owner information, a microchip may have additional information that can help track the owner. Be sure to document the microchip number and manufacturer for further research, if needed.

9. **Still unable to find the owner?** Call **702-955-5932** or email The Animal Foundation to make sure they have all needed information and for further assistance. Tell them if the dog is sick or injured.

10. **When the dog is reunited with the owner**, be sure to remove fliers and update any reports/posts you made.