



TOP REASONS TO LIVE WITH A DOG IN YOUR HOME

1. Your home is safer with a dog inside it.

When given the chance to break into a home with a dog vs. a home without a dog, burglars will usually choose the latter.

2. Your health is better with a dog around.

In addition to boosting your mood, dog owners who live with their pets have been found to have better health overall.

3. Kids are healthier with a dog in the home. Studies have shown that kids who grow up with a dog in the house have fewer allergies and stronger immune systems.

4. Walking your dog keeps you active.

Taking your dog on daily walks or throwing the ball gives your dog exercise and helps you keep active too.

5. Living with a dog helps relieve stress.

People who live with dogs experience much lower levels of stress than people who don't.



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Dogs are social beings and they look to their humans for companionship. Let's give them the life they deserve!

If you know a dog who is inhumanely tethered, go to www.pasadosafehaven.org and fill out a **Report Cruelty** form under "What We Do"/ "Investigations and Rescue"

If you would like ideas to help create a new healthier environment for your dog email cruelty@pasadosafehaven.org

If your current circumstances don't allow you the ability to best care for your dog, please call us so we can help:

www.pasadosafehaven.org

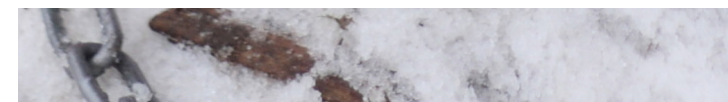
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Know the Alternatives



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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT TETHERING

TETHERING: THE FACTS

- Tethering is the use of a rope or chain fastened to a dog so it is forced to stay in one small area.
- Studies show an otherwise friendly and happy dog, when kept chained and isolated, often becomes unhappy, anxious and neurotic.
- Outside tethering and chaining leaves your pet vulnerable to being attacked by other animals, humans and the elements.
- **Chaining creates aggression - not protectiveness** - as the dog views everyone and everything as a threat.
- Although a dog may become protective of where he lives, if he is never allowed in the house, then the house will not become a place to protect. Most people keep their valuables inside their houses, so why wouldn't you want your dog to protect the inside of your house, especially during the night?



ALTERNATIVES TO TETHERING

FENCING

Consider giving your dog a fenced area of his or her own. If your dog can jump a fence, consider installing a 45-degree extension like the one seen below. If the dog digs under fences you can bury chicken wire or place large rocks at the base of the fence.



DOG RUNS

Consider installing a dog run. Make sure it is large enough for your dog to move around comfortably and has access to adequate shelter, like a dog house.



CABLE RUNNERS

If the previous options don't work for your "escape artist," consider using a cable runner in addition to a protective fence. Make sure your dog is not able to wrap him or herself around any stationary objects. Connect the cable runner to a harness, not a collar, to avoid the dog from being accidentally strangled.

BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS?

Remember that behavior problems such as barking, chewing and digging are often the result of a lack of stimulation. Try these tips and you may alter undesirable behaviors:

- Exercise your dog with walks or playtime.
- Make sure you set aside time to spend with your dog whether it's for playtime or simply working around the yard with your dog.
- If your dog does something you like, positively reinforce the behavior with praise or treats.
- Installing plastic garden fences may discourage digging in the flower beds and gardens.
- Add a sandbox to your yard to allow your dog to use pent up energy on an uneventful day.



For additional fencing ideas and resources, you can also go to Fences for Fido (www.fencesforfido.org).