



# **SOUTHERN ARIZONA GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE** **REPORT OF HOME VISIT TO POTENTIAL FOSTER/ADOPTER**

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*This home visit report is for both potential fosters and potential adopters. Please fill out the form completely with all pertinent information, then send it in. (See the submission instructions on the last page.)*

There is room for comments in all sections, and the better you can describe the home and family, the better match SAGRR can make for just the right Golden for this family. Keep in mind that the Placement team does not know this family or anything about them except what you provide in this report, so you are their eyes and ears to help them "see" the adoption family via this report.

## **EVALUATOR AND APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Date of Visit 9/22/2016 EVALUATOR Wasley/Schwimer PHONE 270-2786 EMAIL suswasley@gmail.com

Address Visited 2711 N Orchard Ave City, ZIP 85712 Cross Streets Grant/Columbus

*Explain what a foster family does.*

FAMILY INTERESTED IN ☐ FOSTER ONLY ☒ ADOPT ONLY ☐ FOSTER AND ADOPT

HOMEOWNER STATUS ☒ OWNS HOME ☐ RENTS OR LEASES HOME

*If the family rents or leases home, obtain copy of Landlord approval for large breed dog; family will not be approved until this document has been received.*

APPLICANT Nancy and Joe Valdez EMAIL NancyValdez@cox.net

PHONES: HOME 795-4093 WORK 232-8413 CELL 906-2811 (Nancy)

OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER Nancy - Office Assistant TUSD, Joe - Retired, handyman

CO-APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PHONES: HOME \_\_\_\_\_ WORK \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_

**LIST ALL NON-APPLICANT HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS, RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT, AND AGES OF MINORS**  
*(Relationship types are Spouse/Partner, Child (including grandchild), and Non-applicant Adult)*

Name	Relationship	Age, if minor
There are 6 grandkids, ages 9-18 that visit often.		

# EXTERIOR OF PROPERTY

TYPE OF DWELLING: ☒ Single-family Home ☐ Duplex ☐ Condo or Townhouse  
☐ Mobile or Manufactured Home ☐ Apartment

DESCRIBE SURROUNDINGS (e.g., is home in subdivision, country, on golf course, isolated, etc.)

Home is in a modest neighborhood of small, mid-century homes.

EXTERIOR: Is the exterior of the home and the landscape generally well-maintained)?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat

Is the yard reasonably clear of feces, trash or other objects (and hazardous plants) that might present a health problem to the Golden? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Is there a fenced yard? ☒ Yes ☐ No

FENCE: What type of fence Block, wood, chain Height: 4 ft. *If there are varying heights, provide the lowest height*

Type of gate: ☒ self-latching ☐ locked ☐ neither

If neither, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any apparent holes or gaps in the fencing? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If the yard is not fenced, describe the surrounding area adjacent to the yard:

Will the dog always be supervised or on-leash in the unfenced yard? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Describe type of yard (i.e., grass, rock, dirt, natural desert, etc.)

Front yard has grass, circular driveway, and area with large tree and native plants. Most of the land is in the front of the house. There is a narrow side yard that has grass, dirt, concrete and is fenced. There is a large umbrella that provides shade.

POOL Is there a pool? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Is it fenced? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is there a spa? ☐ Yes ☒ No

*If applicant is requesting a puppy, verify if the puppy could get through the fencing and if so, is applicant willing to put up chicken wire or other safety measure to safeguard small puppy?* ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Not Applicable

*If pool or spa is unfenced, advise Applicant it is hard to keep some Golden out of the water, and note their reaction.*

Comments on the exterior or landscaping:

There is really not a lot of space for a Golden and the other two to romp around in except in the front of the house and that is not fenced. It was clean and well-kept.

## INTERIOR HOME ENVIRONMENT

Is the home generally well maintained? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Is the home generally clean and free of debris or clutter? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Are there stairs inside or leading into or outside the home? ☐ Yes ☒ No

***This may impact an older dog or one with mobility issues***

Describe the flooring (i.e., slick tile, carpet, hardwood, etc.) Vinyl, carpet

Is the kitchen or bath trash uncovered? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are any toilet lids open? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Is there a dog door of sufficient size for a large golden? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not, are there any plans to install a dog door? ☐ Yes ☒ No

***Look for any plants, fragile items at Golden tail level, shoes, toys, etc. that may be an issue and discuss with family.***

While the family is home, where in the home will the Golden be allowed? Inside, run of the house

Where will the Golden sleep? Wherever it wants

Will the Golden be allowed on furniture, beds? ☒ Yes ☐ No

When the family is gone, where will the Golden be? \_\_\_\_\_

Does the family use a crate? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If so, for what purposes / when / how long will the Golden be in the crate? Only if it wants

If not, what is the applicant's view on crating? \_\_\_\_\_

Are they willing to use other ways of containing a dog (e.g., baby gates) if they do not want to crate train?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Comments on Interior

The interior was neat and clean and not really cluttered but just had lots of stuff. They have 6 grandchildren that visit frequently so think that is part of the reason, plus they've lived in the same home nearly 60 years and have accumulated lots.



# PET CARE AND INTERACTIONS

Who will be the primary care giver? Nancy How long will the Golden be left alone on a typical day? 2-4 hours

**Discuss that we do not allow dogs to be left outside when no one is home, or all day.**

Are there any other dogs in this home? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Describe all dogs, listing breed, age, sex, and any specific information that might affect a SAGRR Golden:

Wilma, 5, a mixed-breed and Coco, a new little Yorkie/Shitzu/whatever mix, age 2

Are any of the resident dogs unaltered? If so, explain below ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are there any cats in the home? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, list age and gender of each: \_\_\_\_\_

Is family aware that cat food and litter box should be kept out of the Golden's reach? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are the cats used to dogs? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are there any other pets? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**If yes, please explain what type and where they are kept**

Are there any livestock? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are there any dogs that visit on a frequent basis? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Did you take a Golden with you on this visit? ☒ Yes ☐ No

How did the family interact with your Golden?

Both Nancy and Joe were friendly with Maggie.

How did the resident dogs/cats interact with your Golden?

Not good. Wilma was so territorial that we kept her in the yard and she never interacted with Maggie.

How did the family interact with the resident dogs/cats?

Good. They obviously love their dogs.

Are there children in the home? ☒ Yes ☒ No If yes, explain their interaction with your dog or the resident dog(s):

Where will the dog eat? Kitchen and laundry room Where will the water bowl be located? Kitchen and outside

What food will the family feed the Golden? lams, lamb and rice

**Please discuss quality food and leave the "How to rate your dog's food" handout with them if appropriate.**

**Explain that if there will be more than one dog, we recommend feeding them separately, at least for the first few weeks.** How did they react to this recommendation?

Please list all the ways the family will exercise the Golden. Walking, throwing the ball.

Additional comments on Pet Care and Interactions:

Coco, their recently adopted dog from Maricopa Animal Control was very sweet and got along well with Bonnie's dog, Maggie. But we would not let Wilma near Maggie. Wilma and Coco get along great.

### FEE STRUCTURE FOR YOUR PERFECT GOLDEN

Did you review the fee structure with the family and explain that they will be paying the adoption fee, at the time the dog is delivered to them? ☒ Yes ☐ No

\$300 0-UP TO 3 YEARS OLD

\$250 3- UP TO 8 YEARS OLD

\$150 OVER 8 YEARS OLD

**Let the family know that fees for special needs dogs are determined on a case by case basis.**

If family is interested in a pair, did you explain pair pricing (second dog is 1/2 price)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

### MISCELLANEOUS

List any persons in the home with special needs that should be considered when placing a Golden in this home. \_\_\_\_\_

Does the age and activity level of the dog requested appear appropriate for the family? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If not, what age and activity level dog would you recommend for this family? See comments below

Did you advise them of your recommendation for a different age/activity level dog? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Please list any physical limitations that should be considered when placing a Golden in this home (e.g., the applicant weighs 80 pounds and would not be able to control a 100-pound untrained Golden) \_\_\_\_\_

Does the family have a vehicle appropriate for a Golden? ☒ Yes ☐ No

**Please discuss and leave a copy of "What's Next."**

### SUMMARY

DO YOU RECOMMEND THAT SAGRR APPROVE THIS HOME? ☒ Yes ☐ No

WOULD YOU LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THIS HOME? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**If you answered NO to either of the above, you must comment below.**

COMMENTS ON TRAINING, FEES, MISCELLANEOUS, OR IN GENERAL:

Bonnie and I think Joe and Nancy are very, very sweet and kind-hearted. We're just not so sure they're up to having another dog, especially a puppy. And with Wilma being so territorial, she would probably accept a puppy easier. This is a tough one but there was really no reason not to approve them.

### SAVE AND SUBMIT YOUR REPORT

**IMPORTANT: Please save the completed form as a PDF on your computer for your records and as a backup.**

In most cases you can simply click the button below. This will open an email addressed to [GHET@sagrr.org](mailto:GHET@sagrr.org) with this form already attached. Please include a brief summary in the body of the email so Placement can quickly ascertain if this family is a possibility for a given dog. Then just send the email.

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