Meet our very special boy named Max! Max is about 5 years old, and he came to our shelter after he was surrendered during a cruelty investigation. He was extremely emaciated at the time, weighing only about 34 lbs. At this current time, Max weighs just over 50 lbs and we believe he should be about 70 lbs when he is at his proper healthy weight. Max is a very friendly guy who loves to get attention from people! He is a tall dog who still gets jumpy sometimes, but he listens and calms down quickly. He likes to play fetch and follow us around in the backyard.

Max has been diagnosed with Exocrine Pancreatic Insufficiency (EPI), which basically means he does not create enough pancreatic enzymes to properly digest his food. This can cause extreme weight loss, diarrhea, and increased appetite. The good news is this can be easily corrected with lifelong medication. Max is currently taking PancrePlus pills 20 minutes before every meal, and he receives a B12 vitamin every day. This treatment has been working and he has already gained over 15 lbs. Max's adopter will need to keep him on this medication for the rest of his life, and have a good relationship with their veterinarian.

Because of Max's condition, he has a very increased appetite that makes him super food motivated. He has not shown any food or toy aggression, but he is obsessed with food and may barrel over someone to get any food that falls on the floor. Max is good with other dogs, but he should not be fed with other animals due to his food obsession. Max is also extremely toy motivated and likes to think all the toys are his. He will try taking toys from other dogs. Because of this, it would be best for him to go to a home either with a submissive dog, or to a home that can separate the dogs while they have toys. He can go to a home with children 12 years old and older who have larger dog experience. Max is already neutered and up to date on rabies vaccinations.

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