

# Building Fences

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Contact **Dogs Deserve Better** for fencing grants up to \$250. 757-357-9292 or [info@dogsdeservebetter.org](mailto:info@dogsdeservebetter.org)

Check out the **Coalition to Unchain Dogs** for fencing building videos and more information. <http://www.unchaindogs.net/i-want-to-get-more-information/>

All fence building follows the same basic steps:

1. Determine the fence's boundaries.
2. Set the posts into the ground. Think of posts as the framework of the fence.
3. Attach fencing to the posts.
4. Install a gate.

## Mesh Fencing

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The simplest and cheapest type of fence is a mesh fence. T-posts or wooden posts are set into the ground and mesh fencing is attached to the posts. This type of fence is not as sturdy as chain link, but it will keep many dogs contained. **Learn more about mesh fencing.** <http://www.unchainyourdog.org/FenceMesh.htm>

You can also **extend the height** of your existing fence with mesh fencing. <http://www.unchainyourdog.org/FenceExtend.htm>

## Chain Link

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Chain link is very strong and durable, and looks nice when installed. Chain link materials are more expensive than a T-post fence, but it is still cheaper to install yourself than to hire someone to do it.

The following sites have step-by-step instructions for building a chain link fence:

- **Hoover Fence Company** <http://www.hooverfence.com/manual/chainlink/install1.htm>
- **Do It Yourself Or Not** <http://www.diyornot.com/DiySteps.aspx?ndx1=2&ndx2=10&ndx3=0&Rcd=114>

Look around your neighborhood at fences for ideas about the different fencing options that are available. Looking at other people's fences might also give you ideas about construction and configuration.