

About Canine Companions

Canine Companions is leading the service dog industry so our clients and their dogs can live with greater independence. We provide service dogs to adults, children and veterans with disabilities and facility dogs to professionals working in healthcare, criminal justice and educational settings. Since our founding in 1975, our dogs and all follow-up services are provided at no cost to our clients.

Independence shouldn't be limited to those who look or live a certain way. Disability reaches all races, classes and backgrounds, and Canine Companions will too. Clients come to Canine Companions because of our reputation, the quality of our dogs, the experience of our training staff and the desire to lead life with greater independence. We are committed to providing services to all qualified clients.

Who We Serve

- Adults with physical or auditory disabilities.
- Children with physical or cognitive disabilities aged five or older or adults with physical or cognitive disabilities who
 require the assistance of a facilitator such as a parent, caregiver or spouse.
- Veterans with a physical or auditory disability or post-traumatic stress disorder* (PTSD).
- Professionals working in a health care, visitation, criminal justice or education setting.

Canine Companions is committed to serving all consumers with disabilities. We are strongly committed to ensuring that any individual who can benefit logistically or by improved quality of life from our services is reached as part of our mission. We are focused at managing the intersectionality of all communities we do and can serve with our mission – leaving no one out who can benefit from our services or membership in our community.

*Service dogs for veterans with PTSD are provided in specific geographic regions.

See our Growth

- 7,454 graduate teams placed since our founding in 1975
- 413 working dog teams placed in 2022
- 2,706 active graduate teams nationwide
- 4,700 active volunteers nationwide
 - 1,292 volunteer puppy raisers
 - 138 volunteer breeder caretakers
- First member of Assistance Dogs International to earn full accreditation