



Veteran's Puppy for Life Organization Puppy Recipient Candidate Questionnaire

We appreciate your interest in obtaining a puppy as a service dog candidate.

As a service dog training program, we need to ensure that you and a puppy are a good match for a service dog in training. It is extremely important that you are as honest as possible in answering the questions and fully understand the commitment you could be making with us.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

BRANCH AND YEARS SERVED: _____

PLEASE EXPLAIN THE FUTURE PUPPY'S LIVING ENVIRONMENT AND WHO ELSE RESIDES THERE?

HAVE YOU DISCUSSED HAVING A PUPPY THAT WILL BECOME YOUR SERVICE DOG WITH THEM AND WHAT WAS THE RESPONSE?

DOES ANYONE IN THE RESIDENCE HAVE ANIMAL ALLERGIES? IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN.

ARE THERE ANY OTHER ANIMALS IN THE RESIDENCE? IF YES, EXPLAIN.

BECAUSE OF THE PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS PLACED ON THE HANDLER WHILE TRAINING A PUPPY, WE DO HAVE TO TAKE YOUR PHYSICAL AILMENTS AND DISABILITIES IN TO CONSIDERATION.

WHAT PHYSICAL DISABILITIES YOU ARE DEALING WITH AT THE PRESENT.

WHY DO YOU FEEL YOU NEED A SERVICE DOG?

PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW YOU FEEL THIS DOG WILL ENHANCE YOUR LIFE?

BEFORE YOU ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH VETERAN'S PUPPY FOR LIFE ORGANIZATION TO BE IN OUR PROGRAM, IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO DISCUSS IT WITH YOUR EMPLOYER. WE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOUR EMPLOYER MIGHT HAVE.

WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT OCCUPATION AND HAVE YOU DISCUSSED YOUR HAVING A SERVICE DOG IN TRAINING WITH YOUR HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT AND MANAGER? PLEASE EXPLAIN.

WE DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO MAKE SURE THE PUPPIES WE PLACE WITH A VETERAN ARE AS HEALTHY AS POSSIBLE. UNFORTUNATELY, THERE CAN BE HEALTH CONDITIONS THAT NEITHER WE NOR ANYONE ELSE CAN PREDICT WILL HAPPEN.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT THERE MAY BE HEALTH ISSUES ARISE WITH YOUR PUPPY THAT WE CANNOT PREDICT?

YOU WILL BE RECEIVING A PUPPY AND NOT A FULL GROWN OR TRAINED DOG.

ARE YOU WILLING TO ACCEPT FULL RESPONSIBILTY FOR THE WELL-BEING OF YOUR PUPPY?

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT CARE OF YOUR PUPPY IS SOLELY YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AND CANNOT BE PASSED OFF ON ANY OTHER PERSON?

AS A SERVICE DOG IN TRAINING YOUR PUPPY MUST BE WITH YOU ALWAYS. "DOGGY DAY CARE" CENTERS AND CRATING CAN CAUSE SEVERE BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS FOR YOUR PUPPY. TO THE EXTENT IT COULD POTENTIALLY DISQUALIFY IT FROM EVER BECOMING A SERVICE DOG.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT YOUR PUPPY CAN'T BE LEFT IN DOGGY DAY CARE OR LEFT IN A CRATE ALONE AT HOME?

AS A SERVICE DOG IN TRAINING "DOG PARKS" CAN BE TOTALLY DETRIMENTAL TO YOUR PUPPY BECOMING A SERVICE DOG. TAKING YOUR SERVICE DOG IN TRAINING TO A "DOG PARK" IS NOT ALLOWED.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THIS REQUIREMENT?

VETERAN'S PUPPY FOR LIFE ORGANIZATION'S TRAINING PROGRAM IS BASED ON BONDING OF THE VETERAN AND THE PUPPY. ***WE DO NOT USE FEAR BASED TRAINING IN ANY MANNER. WE DO NOT ALLOW*** "SNAP COLLARS" (AKA CHOKE COLLARS), PINCH COLLARS, E-COLLARS (AKA SHOCK COLLARS) FOR USE ON ANY OF OUR SERVICE DOGS IN TRAINING, THIS INCLUDES BOTH PUPPIES WE PLACE WITH THE VETERAN AND ONE THE VETERAN PURCHASES.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THIS REQUIREMENT?

WE PROVIDE A SET DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR VETERINARY HEALTH CARE ASSISTANCE PER VETERAN PER YEAR.

YOU DO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS A DOLLAR LIMIT PROVIDED EACH VETERAN'S PUPPY AFTER WHICH YOU, THE VETERAN, MUST THEN ASSUME FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY?

WE PROVIDE THE PUPPY, A SET DOLLAR LIMIT FOR VETERINARY HEALTH CARE ASSISTANCE, AND THE COST FOR TRAINING.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT ALL OTHER EXPENSES CREATED ON BEHALF OF YOUR PUPPY ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY (I.E., FOOD, TRAINING EQUIPMENT, VEST, ETC)?

WE REQUIRE YOU TO COMMIT TO OUR FORTY-WEEK TRAINING PROGRAM (A REQUIRED EIGHT WEEKS OF PUPPY PRE-SCHOOL, PUPPY PLAY TIME WITH A SOCIALIZATION PROGRAM. FOLLOWED BY THIRTY-TWO WEEKS FORMAL TRAINING)

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND ALL REQUIRED TRAINING CLASSES.

SHOULD YOU FAIL TO ATTEND ONE OF THE SCHEDULED CLASSES, YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE FURTHER IN THE PROGRAM UNTIL YOU HAVE MADE UP THE MISSED CLASS AND PAY A FIFTY DOLLAR (\$50.00) FEE.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT WE WILL STRICTLY HOLD YOU TO YOUR COMMITMENT TO TRAINING YOUR PUPPY IN THIS SERVICE DOG TRAINING PROGRAM?

WHEN YOU START THE FORMAL TRAINING CLASSES AFTER PUPPY PRE-SCHOOL, YOU HAVE EIGHT (8) FOUR-WEEK TRAINING MODULES (32 WEEKS TOTAL) BEFORE YOUR PUPPY GRADUATES AS A SERVICE DOG. YOU MUST BE IN CLASS ONCE A WEEK AT THE PRESCRIBED CLASS TIME.

WEEK ONE = BASIC CANINE TRAINING

WEEK TWO = PTSD TRAINING

WEEK THREE = BASIC CANINE TRAINING

WEEK FOUR = OFF WEEK.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THIS REQUIREMENT AND AGREE TO MAINTAIN YOUR COMMITMENT?

WE DO ASSESS \$50.00 PENALTY FOR MISSING A TRAINING CLASS.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THIS REQUIREMENT?

THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT WHETHER WE ARE PLACING THE PUPPY WITH YOU OR YOU ARE BRINGING YOUR OWN PUPPY INTO OUR PROGRAM.

THERE ARE CONDITIONS THAT WILL CAUSE US TO TERMINATE YOU FROM OUR PROGRAM.

1. IF YOU GET IN TROUBLE WITH THE LOCAL, STATE OR FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, WE WILL IMMEDIATELY TERMINATE YOU FROM OUR PROGRAM.
 - a. IF WE PLACED THE PUPPY WITH YOU, WE WILL IMMEDIATELY REPOSSESS THE PUPPY FROM YOU.
2. IF YOU MISS TWO TRAINING CLASSES OVER THE ENTIRE EIGHT TRAINING MODULES, WE WILL TERMINATE YOU FROM OUR PROGRAM.
 - a. IF WE PLACED THE PUPPY WITH YOU, WE WILL IMMEDIATELY REPOSSESS THE PUPPY FROM YOU.

IF WE PLACED THE PUPPY WITH YOU AND YOU DO NOT FINISH THE ENTIRE PROGRAM, YOU MAY KEEP THE PUPPY AS YOUR'S BASED ON THE FOLLOWING:

1. YOU MAY NOT REPRESENT THE PUPPY AS A SERVICE DOG IN TRAINING OR SERVICE DOG OR IT TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH VETERAN'S PUPPY FOR LIFE ORGANIZATION. **IT IS ILLEGAL IN COLORADO TO PRESENT A FAKE SERVICE DOG IN PUBLIC.**
2. YOU MUST REPAY VETERAN'S PUPPY FOR LIFE FOR THE COST OF THE PUPPY.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THIS REQUIREMENT?

I UNDERSTAND THIS QUESTIONNAIRE IS NEITHER A DENIAL OR ACCEPTANCE FOR RECEIVING A PUPPY SERVICE DOG IN TRAINING CANDIDATE AND SERVICE DOG TRAINING.

SIGNATURE AND DATE