

FACT SHEET

The Impact of Dog Guides

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides is the **only school in Canada to provide Dog Guides in 7 specialized programs:** Canine Vision, Hearing, Service, Seizure Response,

Autism Assistance, Diabetes Alert and Facility Support

- More than 3,000 Dog Guides have been placed across Canada, transforming the lives of Canadians living with disabilities
- Over 1,000 active Dog Guides teams are currently being supported across Canada
- A recent survey of Dog Guides recipients revealed:
 - 96% of Dog Guide recipients say their Dog Guide has had a positive impact on their mental and emotional well-being
 - 88% reported a significant positive impact on their lives after receiving their
 Dog Guide
 - 79% say they feel less stress and anxiety since being matched with their Dog Guide
 - o 71% say they feel less socially isolated since their Dog Guide joined their life

National Dog Guides Training School

The new training school located in Oakville, Ontario will be more than a building – it's a national hub of independence and possibility that will feature:

- Enhanced accessibility features so clients can navigate around the school with confidence when they are in training
- Dedicated training spaces and classrooms designed to meet the specific needs of our clients in each of the 7 program areas
- Enriched kennel and play areas to provide the best environment for dogs training
- Expanded vet clinic to ensure our dogs receive the very best care from puppyhood to the time they graduate.