### **DONATION FORM**

If you prefer, you can donate online at www.dogguides.com, email info@dogguides.com, or call 1-800-768-3030

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#### Dog Guide Program:

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	Hearing Dog Guides	\$ 4,000
	Canine Vision Canada	\$ 6,000
	Diabetic Alert Dog Guides	\$ 8,000
	Facility Support Dog Guides	\$ 9,000
	Service Dog Guides	\$10,000
	Seizure Response Dog Guides	\$10,000
	Autism Assistance Dog Guides	\$12,000
	Dog Guide Champion	\$50,000

It is preferred that a sponsorship be designated for a recipient anywhere in Canada. However, if desired, you may select the area of Canada you would like the handler to be from.

Location: \_\_\_\_

- Full donation enclosed
- Partial donation enclosed

(Sponsorship will be assigned once full payment is received)

#### **Payment Method**

□ Cheque enclosed (payable to Dog Guides Canada)



Signature

Please mail to:

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### **Charitable Tax Number**

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#### Accredited Members of:









You can help change someone's life forever!

#### Dog Guide Sponsorship Program

A Dog Guide puppy will play a very important role in someone's life. By sponsoring a Dog Guide, you can ensure it will learn all it needs to know to become successful in helping someone with a disability.

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides is a national charity. Its mission is to empower Canadians with disabilities to navigate their world with confidence and independence by providing Dog Guides at no cost to them and supporting each pair in their journey together.

Dog Guides are trained in one of seven programs -Canine Vision, Hearing, Service, Seizure Response, Autism Assistance, Diabetic Alert and Facility Support.

Sponsoring a Dog Guide covers a portion of the approximately \$35,000 that it costs to raise, train and place each Dog Guide with its handler. The entire process takes up to two years and your sponsorship helps provide not only the puppy's training but also its veterinary care, transportation and accommodation for the recipient while in residence, and life long follow-up services. Your support will help the Dog Guide team be partners for as long as 10 years.



### What is a Dog Guide sponsorship?

A sponsorship covers part of the \$35,000 for each Dog Guide and can be directed to the program of your choice:

Hearing	\$ 4,000
Canine Vision	\$ 6,000
Diabetic Alert	\$ 8,000
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Sponsoring in each of the 6 programs within 6 years (excluding Facility Support Dog Guides).

Sponsorships can be paid over three years.

#### Where do puppies come from?

Most of the puppies come from the Lions Foundation's own breeding program which ensures consistency of the best characteristics in Dog Guides. Some puppies are donated by breeders as well as other renowned service dog schools around the world.

#### What breeds do you use?

Dogs that exhibit the best combination of stability, intelligence and willingness to work are selected. The most commonly used breeds are Labrador retrievers, golden retrievers and standard poodles.

#### What is the process of training a puppy?

Puppies are placed in foster homes at 7 weeks of age, where they are socialized and taught basic obedience.

At about one year of age, the puppies return to the foundation for formal training. This training takes approximately four to six months leading to a career of about eight to ten years.

#### Who receives a Dog Guide?

Qualified applicants who complete an application process, including referrals and an assessment. They are then scheduled for a training session in Oakville where they live for up to three weeks while training with their new Dog Guide.

# Can we choose who receives our sponsored Dog Guide?

You may specify your sponsorship be assigned to your community, region or province. However, there is no guarantee when this will occur since it is important that each Dog Guide is matched with the best suited person, to ensure a successful working life together.

# What happens after the Dog Guide is matched with someone?

Sponsors are invited to attend a graduation ceremony at the end of the training session where they can meet their sponsored team. Sponsors are recognized and provided with a photograph of the graduating team and a plaque to recognize their generous donation.

## What happens if the dog does not become a Dog Guide?

Only the best dogs are selected to be trained as Dog Guides. If the dog is not suitable to be a Dog Guide, it is available for adoption as a family pet.

#### Is my contribution tax-deductible?

Yes, a charitable tax receipt will be issued.



Assisting Canadians with a medical or physical disability by providing them Dog Guides at no cost