



Position	Dog Walker Volunteer
Purpose	Create an environment of calm in kennels and reduce barking, jumping and unwanted behaviours.
Benefits	Creating an environment less stressful and assist training dogs adjusting to kennels while in training. Recalled dogs, Career Change dogs and dogs in training need to be kept physically and mentally healthy as much possible during their stay.
Tasks/ Duties	Working with dogs in a kennel environment How to handle dogs, within the building How to walk dogs-in-training for a particular program and in the community
Commitment	One three-hour shift per week for a minimum of 6 months
Qualifications	Must be 18 years and older Ability to take direction and work independently A great deal of patience and empathy with dogs Confidence and experience to respond appropriately to each dog's body language Ability to cope with a range of stress-related behaviour in a very noisy environment Be receptive to take direction and supervision from the professional trainers Having the strength and stamina to manage strong dogs
Training	On-the-job training with a staff professional Shadow-shift with an experienced volunteer

All volunteers are expected to act in accordance with the policies and values of Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. Volunteers are expected to maintain a positive team attitude with staff and other volunteers in the performance of their duties. Dogs must be treated with kindness and respect at all times, any sign of abuse may result in immediate dismissal.