

Paws'itive Teams

Volunteer SERVICE DOG TRAINER OPPORTUNITY



Paws'itive Teams, a San Diego County provider of service dogs for persons with mobility-limiting disabilities, is currently **accepting applications for a volunteer position as Service Dog Assistant Trainer** to join the Service Dog Training Team.

QUALIFIED APPLICANTS

- ✓ Prior experience in training basic obedience skills with more than one dog.
- ✓ Prior experience in resolving basic behavioral problems with dogs.
- ✓ Prior experience in dog training using **operant conditioning** techniques (clicker training).
- ✓ Able to have a Paws'itive Teams pup live in your home for 2 years, after initial 6 months as an Assistant Trainer.
- ✓ Able to take pup to work and/or other places on a frequent basis.
- ✓ Willing to attend weekly training classes and monthly outings.

BENEFITS

- Learn effective training methods using operant conditioning.
- Learn how to teach essential service dog tasks.
- Learn about a variety of disabilities and ways to teach individual dogs to work with persons with these disabilities.
- Paws'itive Teams pays for the cost of food and veterinary expenses for pup in-training.

UNIQUE FEATURES

Training a dog with Paws'itive Teams is very different from puppy raising as our trainers work with their pups for the full 2 year development period and teach all of the service dog skills in addition to basic obedience and socialization.

The trainer is also involved with the partner selection process and becomes the lead instructor in transitioning the dog to the disabled partner. The trainer then becomes the follow-up contact for the team.

We feel this approach, while more challenging, is very rewarding for both the future handler and for the trainer...not to mention the well being of the dog!



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