**Veterinary Financial Assistance (VFA) Program –**

**Non-reimburseable Items**

GDB’s Veterinary Financial Assistance Program provides financial assistance with costs for conventional veterinary care if you are not able to cover these costs yourself. Other expenses associated with caring for your dog are not covered by the VFA Program. The following are examples of goods or services that are not reimbursable through the VFA Program.

**This is not a complete list.**

Treatments and procedures that are not covered include:

* Alternative types of care like acupuncture, chiropractic care or homeopathic remedies
* Bathing and grooming
* Boarding
* Vaccine titer testing
* Health certificates (unless GDB has mandated the travel)
* Microchip registration: Microchips registration can be obtained free-of-charge for working guide dogs from several of the microchip companies. Ask your local veterinarian if the microchip company they use provides this valuable benefit.

# Food, supplements and treats:

* Food (non-prescription)
* Treats (including low-calorie or limited ingredient treats)
* Pill Pockets
* Greenies
* CET Chews or Dental Chews
* Joint supplements (e.g. glucosamine/chondroitin/MSM, cosequin, ComfortTabs etc.)
* Fatty acid supplements (e.g. DermCaps, 3V Caps, Welactin, DermaPet, fish oil capsules etc.)
* Vitamin supplements (e.g. Geriform, Missing Link, DynaLode, Optima, Platinum Performance)
* Probiotic supplements (e.g. Fortiflora, Prostora, Proviable)
* Other supplements
* CBD Products

Supplies:

* Shampoo (non-prescription)
* Grooming tools (e.g. brushes, combs, nail trimmers, shedding tools)
* City/county licenses
* ID tags
* Chew bones & Toys