



# Guide Dogs for the Blind

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## About Guide Dogs for the Blind

At Guide Dogs for the Blind (GDB), we believe that everyone deserves to move through the world safely and confidently—to live the life they want to live. Our passionate community employs innovative practices to create life-changing partnerships. And, we advocate for the policy reforms that change how the world views blindness and disability. Because when everyone is empowered to participate, our communities are stronger.

### SERVICES

GDB offers a host of programs and services to empower people who are blind or visually impaired from throughout the U.S. and Canada. Not only do we offer highly trained guide dogs to qualified individuals, we also teach guide dog readiness skills in our Orientation and Mobility Immersion Program; match both children and adults with K9 Buddy dogs as companions and pets, and provide a variety of programs for youth. GDB not only improves mobility for our clients, we further inclusion. All of our services are provided free of charge, including personalized training and extensive ongoing support, plus financial assistance for veterinary care, if needed.

### VOLUNTEERS

GDB volunteers welcome dogs into their homes, socialize puppies, lead tours of our campuses, and help in many other ways. Volunteering with GDB is a great way to give back while connecting with our mission. Our core volunteer opportunities include:

- PUPPY RAISING and PUPPY SITTING, currently available in ten western states.
- VOLUNTEERING ON ONE OF OUR CAMPUSES, we have a wide array of volunteer jobs on both of our campuses (San Rafael, CA and Boring, OR)
- CARING FOR A GDB BREEDER DOG, available within 50 miles of our California campus.
- PROVIDING FOSTER CARE for our dogs, also available from both of our campuses.



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## **SUPPORT**

GDB's generous donors help us fulfill our mission through general contributions, grants, honor or memorial gifts, bequests, numerous estate planning options, and attending our fundraising events. GDB is funded entirely with private donations; we receive no government funding. Guide Dogs for the Blind is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization. All donations are fully tax deductible.

To apply for services, explore volunteer opportunities, or make a donation to support our mission, please visit [guidedogs.com](http://guidedogs.com).

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Guide Dogs for the Blind harnesses the power of partnerships — connecting people, dogs, and communities—to transform the lives of individuals with visual impairments.

## **VISION STATEMENT**

An inclusive world where people with visual impairments have equal opportunities and live full, independent lives.