



K9s Serving Vets Service Dog Assistance Application

Application Process

1. Submit a completed application, \$25 Application Fee and letter from your primary care physician stating he/she believes a service dog would be beneficial for you.
2. Submit a copy of your DD214
3. Submit two personal references (not a relative) to K9s Serving Vets
4. K9s Serving Vets reviews your completed application and contacts your references

Ability to Meet the Needs of the Dog

The candidate must be able to reasonably meet the emotional, physical, and financial needs of the service dog. This includes offering a stable home environment, providing adequate exercise, and grooming of the dog. Family members and/or aides are expected to assist where necessary.

Living Accommodations/Conditions

The candidate must provide a safe (preferably fenced) area adjacent to his or her home for toileting and exercise. Preference is for a home environment in which the service dog is the only dog living in the home, but exceptions will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. The service dog must be able to peacefully coexist with any other animals in the home.

Maturity and Cognitive Functioning

The candidate must possess the cognitive functioning to learn the skills required to handle a service dog. She/he must also be capable of managing the dog once they are living together.

Duration of Commitment

K9s Serving Vets estimates the working life of each dog to be approximately 10 years. The candidate's medical situation should enable the candidate to work with the dog for several years. Situations that might prevent a candidate from fulfilling this commitment will be evaluated by your service dog training organization on a case-by-case basis.

Estimate of Expenses

- Dog food: approximately \$25/month; we will offer recommendations
- Regular veterinary care: monthly heartworm, tick/flea preventatives and annual immunizations will be approximately \$300. Some veterinarians may offer a Service Dog/military discount.
- Replacement equipment: including, but not limited to, packs, leashes, collars, vest, bowls, etc. will be approximately \$75/year.
- Toys and treats will be approximately \$150/year.



Today's Date: _____

Personal Information

Today's Date _____ Referred by: _____

Name _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age _____ Gender M / F Weight/Height _____

Street Address: _____ City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Email: _____

School/Employment

Are you presently: Student Employed Unemployed Other _____

Highest level of education completed: _____

Employed Individuals

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Street Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

You and a Service Dog

Do you like dogs? _____

Do you currently have any pets? Yes No

If so, please list:

Species _____ Breed _____ Age _____ Spayed/Neutered _____

Live inside or outside _____ Weight _____



Describe the ways you believe a Service Dog can assist you. What are your hopes, fears, goals?:

Do you have any concerns regarding working with a service dog?

How many people reside in your home? _____

Have you or anyone in your home ever been convicted of a misdemeanor/felony crime? _____
Explain (use back if necessary) _____

Please list two references (not family-related) and their addresses and phone numbers. Please include at least one professional reference.

Name	Address	Phone	Relationship
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____

May we contact these references? Yes No

Please list any service dog organizations to which you have applied and your status with them.

Do you certify that all information is correct and complete? Yes No

Signature **Date**



Bringing Veterans & Service Dogs Together

Fundraising

Because K9s Serving Vets is a non-profit organization that relies solely on donation applicants and their families are expected to assist in the acquisition of funding for their service dog through family donations, fundraising events and assisting K9s Serving Vets with public relations and marketing (i.e.. helping to promote your fundraiser organized by K9s Serving Vets). Are you willing to assist K9s Serving Vets raise funds for your future service dog? Yes No

Do you have any fundraising ideas you would like to share with K9s Serving Vets?

I, _____, agree to assist in raising funds for K9s Serving Vets.
Name of Applicant

Signature of Applicant

*Applicants will be considered without regard to race, sex, religion, creed, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, age, or ability.

Personal submitted personal information will not be shared with anyone outside of staff, our volunteers, and the perspective service dog organization. While K9s Serving Vets will work to match you with a service dog organization best suited to your needs, **the final decision of partnering you with a service dog will be made by the service dog provider.**

Please return your completed application to the address below. The \$25 application fee which will be used to pay it forward to the next veteran can be made through PayPal at kc@k9sservingvets.org.

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Triangle, VA 22172 info@K9sservingvets.org
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