

Senior Assistance and Guide Dog Mobility Instructor

- Permanent position located in Adelaide's CBD
- Company car, mobile and laptop provided, plus salary packaging options
- Unique opportunity to work within a Guide and Assistance Dog school

We currently have an exciting opportunity to work within our Dog Services team to contribute to the Guide Dog Mobility, Assistance Dog and Facility Dog programs.

About Guide Dogs SA/NT

At Guide Dogs SA/NT we use our expertise in dogs and vision to promote independence, participation, inclusion and wellbeing for people with low vision, blindness or specialised support needs.

We offer a collaborative, flexible working environment and opportunities for growth and development.

About the role

The Senior Assistance and Guide Dog Mobility Dog Instructor is responsible for the competent, professional assessment and delivery of Guide Dog mobility services to clients with a vision loss, Autism Assistance Dog services to families of children with autism and Facility Dogs.

In addition, the role provides technical expertise and advice to a team of Guide Dog Mobility Instructors, Assistance Dog Instructors, Assistance Dog Trainers and Facility Dog Handlers, working in partnership with the Guide Dog Services team to evaluate and match guide dog stock with clients.

Key responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Providing technical expertise, advice, coaching and guidance to team members.
- Assess and train Guide Dogs and Assistance Dogs to the standard determined by Guide Dogs SA/NT based on International Guide Dog Federation and Assistance Dog's International minimum standards.
- Assess dog suitability for Guide Dogs Facility Dog program
- Provide client assessments to determine the suitability for a guide dog or assistance dog.
- Provide assessment and instruction to clients as required.
- Prepare written assessments, reports and statistical data as required and entered into the relevant database.

- Develop documents resources and present educational training sessions for both centre-based and for other agencies, professional groups, carers, families and others as required
- Train and provide information to volunteers as required.
- Initiate and be actively involved in continuous improvement activities.
- Seek learning opportunities to develop and maintain own professional development.
- Work within the Guide Dogs SA/NT Risk Management Framework.

About you

Essential to this role, you will have prior experience working as Guide Dog Mobility Instructor and/or Assistance Dog Instructor with an internationally certified Guide Dog and/or Assistance Dog school. Recently qualified or experienced candidates are both welcome who have experience in Guide Dog and Autism Assistance Dog training and matching.

To assist in the work of Guide Dogs SA/NT you will need to be highly self-motivated with the ability to establish credibility and gain the confidence of a wide range of people from diverse backgrounds.

The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate technical capability and experience as a Guide Dog Mobility Instructor, Autism Assistance Dog Training and Matching as well as advanced time management skills, excellent communication skills and the ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines.

A current Driver's License and relevant Employment Clearances will be required.

Benefits

- Make a difference for people living with vision loss and specialised needs, within a supportive team who are passionate about what they do.
- Opportunity to salary package and maximize your take-home pay.
- Employee Assistance Program offering counselling and support services.
- Professional development and training opportunities.
- Complimentary annual flu shots.
- Dogs in the office every day!

Learn more

For a complete description of the role's key responsibilities and requirements, please review the Position Description on our website ([link below](#)).

Guide Dogs.

For a confidential discussion please call Lee Buckingham, General Manager on (08) 8203 8303.

Please ensure your application addresses the requirements of the role as described in the Position Description and enter your details at the link to apply:

<https://employmenthero.com/jobs/position/guide-dogs-sant-senior-assistance-and-guide-dog-mobility-instructor-9lydo/>

Applications will be reviewed on an immediate basis.