



Trainer

Job Description

National Service Dogs (NSD) is a registered charity based in Cambridge, ON Canada specializing in training Service Dogs for individuals with Autism, PTSD and Canine Assisted Intervention Dogs for a diverse group of clients.

REPORTS TO: Assistant Director of Canine Development

HOURS & SCOPE: 37.5 hrs/week including evenings and occasional weekends

Organizational

- Perform other duties as assigned in order to meet the overall goals and objectives of National Service Dogs
- Operates within the culture and core values of the organization

Responsibilities:

The Advanced Trainer works as a member of the Service Dog Training Program Team, helping implement the service dog programs.

- Train and assess all assigned dogs in training program from Puppy Program to Advanced Training
- Teach Class to Volunteer Puppy Raisers and NSD dogs in training weekly
- Assist with Team Training sessions, as required by Client Services team
- Assist with ongoing care of dogs in advanced training
- Assist where needed in the kennels with any cleaning, grooming, and bathing of dogs
- Maintain necessary dog files, training logs, computer records and hard copy records, phone correspondence, and email communication
- Prepare updates on dogs in advanced training at staff meetings.
- Maintaining an inventory of equipment and supplies and report needs and/or difficulties to same. (Collars, leashes, jackets)
- Assist in keeping the facility and trainers office clean and organized.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS AND PERSONAL QUALITIES:

- Post-Secondary education
- Minimum of two years professional dog training experience
- Knowledge of and ability to train service dogs preferred
- Skill and competence in the use of personal computers including, but not limited to, Microsoft Office applications and e-mail
- Ability to work with persons with disabilities
- Ability to interact and deal with volunteers, staff, clients, management and the public in a variety of situations
- Ability to work efficiently under pressure and willingly accept responsibility

- Ability to work independently and take initiative
- Ability to set priorities and use good judgment
- Comfortable with public speaking
- A valid driver's license and insurable

Please send all applications and resumes to Caitlin Bonaldo at caitlin@nsd.on.ca

****Only successful candidates will be contacted***

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