

Therapy and Service Dog Resource List

What is a Service Dog?

A "service dog" is legally defined as any guide dog, hearing dog or other dog individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability. Both physical and mental health disabilities are included. There are 5 categories of service dogs:

- **Guide Dogs** are also known as Seeing Eye Dogs are trained to guide a blind or partially blind person around obstacles to get where they need to go.
- **Hearing Dogs** also known as Signal Dogs alert to sounds that a deaf or hearing impaired individual cannot hear.
- **Psychiatric Service Dogs (PSDs)** are dogs who are trained to help people with mental health disabilities such as PTSD, Major Depression, Panic/Anxiety, agoraphobia, schizophrenia etc.
- **Mobility Dogs** are dogs who perform tasks for those with limited mobility. These tasks include, but are not limited to pulling wheelchairs, opening or closing doors, turning on or off lights, retrieving dropped objects and providing balance and support for ambulation.
- **Medical Alert Dogs** are dogs who alert to medical conditions such as diabetes, seizures, asthma or cardiac conditions.

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