

CANADIAN GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Volunteer Application

Puppy Walking – We place puppies into loving homes where there is a responsible adult, either home most of the day or with permission to take the dog to work for this 12-18 month commitment. If you are a tenant, you must provide written permission from the landlord/owner to have the dog on premises. A vehicle is required to attend training and vet appointments. Food and veterinary expenses are provided. (This program is active in certain geographical areas only, including Ottawa; Eastern Ontario; and Greater Toronto Area – indicate your interest on this form and we'll send you a more detailed application.)

Breeding Stock Holder – A long-term commitment in which you home a dog from our breeding program. You must be home most of the day and have a fenced yard or relief area. Experience in whelping litters is an asset. You must have access to transportation. Food and veterinary expenses are provided. Ownership of the dog is retained by Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind. For this position, you must live within a 100-km radius of our National Training Centre in Manotick, Ontario.

Donation Dog Program – We place life-sized dog banks into businesses to collect loose change. Volunteer duties include emptying funds from donation dogs in stores, counting, rolling and depositing coins, cleaning donation dogs, and approaching businesses to solicit new locations. This is an ongoing, but flexible position. Number of hours varies depending on your availability. This position is available anywhere in Canada.

Landscaping – This position involves various gardening and landscaping duties as part of a volunteer group at our National Training Centre in Manotick, Ontario. You must be available on a consistent basis, Mondays, from spring to fall. Lifting and weeding requires a “strong back”.

Special Events Assistant – Assisting at various fundraising events and community and promotional displays. This includes selling CGDB merchandise, distributing brochures and information, and setting up or dismantling display units. You must be comfortable in dealing with the public. Events vary annually, but may include a fundraising dog walk, golf tournament, and garden party & tea. (Ottawa area only)

Gift Wrapping – We require volunteers to wrap gifts during the holiday season in December. We have a gift wrapping station set up at a local mall(s) in the Ottawa area during all open hours from December 1 – December 24. This volunteer position is ideal for individuals, including students, or volunteer as a small group with your family or a workplace volunteer team.

Maintenance/Do-it-Yourself Projects – Do you have maintenance skills or are you handy? We occasionally require help at our National Training Centre in Manotick with maintenance or special projects. If you have your own tools and experience as a contractor or with do-it-yourself projects, we may be able to use your help.

Please list the titles of the opportunities that interest you: _____

Do you have other skills or talents that would be useful to our organization?

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email address: _____ Phone: _____

Occupation: _____ Are you a high school student seeking volunteer hours? _____

Age: _____ Availability: Weekdays _____ Evenings _____ Weekends _____ Flexible _____

**Mail completed application to: Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind, PO Box 280, Manotick, Ontario K4M 1A3
OR**

Email to events@guidedogs.ca