

CANADIAN GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND

Volunteer Application

Puppy Raising (Ottawa, Eastern Ontario, Greater Toronto Area) – 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. Veterinary expenses are paid and food is provided. Indicate your interest on this form, and we will send you a detailed application package for the Puppy Raising Program. If you live in the Ottawa area, you will be asked to attend a 90-minute information session.

Donation Dog Program (anywhere in Canada) – We place donation dogs into businesses to raise funds. Volunteer duties include emptying coins 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. Indicate your interest on this form, and we will send you a detailed application package for the Donation Dog Program.

Special Events Assistant (Ottawa, Ontario) – Assisting at various fundraising events and community and promotional displays. This includes selling Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind “swag”, distributing brochures and information, and setting up or dismantling display units. You must be comfortable in dealing with the public.

Gardening (Ottawa, Ontario) – Have a green thumb? Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind requires volunteers to join our gardening group at the National Training Centre of Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind in Manotick, Ontario. Gardening and landscaping knowledge is an asset, but not necessary. We are seeking volunteers who are able to take on physical labour and don't mind digging in and getting dirty. Duties include lifting, bending, weeding and more. Please have availability on most Monday mornings from spring to fall.

Gift Wrapping (Orleans, Ontario) – We require volunteers to wrap gifts during the holiday season, from December 1-24 at a local shopping mall. This volunteer opportunity is ideal for individuals, including students, or volunteer as a small group with your family or a workplace volunteer team. Shifts are flexible during days, evenings and weekends throughout December.

Client Drivers (Ottawa, Ontario) – Using a Canadian Guide Dogs vehicle, this involves driving our clients who are blind or visually impaired, with their dogs, from our National Training Centre to various training locations in the Ottawa area. This position requires a valid driver's license and clean driving record. Availability is required on scheduled weekdays from March to December. Prior to starting, you will receive orientation specific to this driving position, including protocol related to sighted guiding.

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 (optional): _____ 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

Please note that this is an application only and does not guarantee a volunteer position with our organization. We will contact you when something in your area(s) of interest is available.