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Working Dogs For Vets located at 2781 Hwy 43 N. Lawrenceburg TN offers service dogs and service dog training to veterans in need. We are a 501c3 non-profit charity, volunteer based, committed to reducing the veteran suicide rate. Our in house program pairs severely disabled veterans with fully trained service dogs. No Veteran Left Behind Program teaches disabled veterans to train their own service dog with professional one on one training support at little to no cost. W.D.F.V. encourages the almost exclusive use of shelter dogs.

1st Annual Family Reunion and Service Dog Training Event on October 2nd, 3rd, and 4th.

2 service dogs graduate from the In house program!

Team: Kris/Hero of TN Team: Donnie/BF-Max of FL





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Hero and BF-Max had trained in house for over 2 years and learned all of the tasks necessary to help their disabled veteran teammates! W.D.F.V. helps to provide many different types of service dogs. P.T.S.D., Mobility support, medical alert dogs to name a few, also the more intelligent dogs can help veterans who suffer from multiple disabilities.

Below a photo of some of the Veteran/Dog teams Ryan/Hilda TN, Cody/Angus TN, Wanda/Jasper TN, Ana/Meatball TN, Heather/Abbie TN, Kris/Hero TN, Sean/Nikki IL, Michele/Ginger KY, Michelle/Maximus MI, Donnie/BF-Max FL. W.D.F.V. though it is an organization we are more like a family! We worked on socialization, basic obedience, advanced obedience, task training, provided information about ada federal laws, work on the agility course and get some exercise while building veteran/dog team's confidence.



W.D.F.V. met veterans, general public, and many local disabled veterans in need of service dogs. Our fundraising goal is \$70,000.00 to continue the mission both at home and across the U.S. Seeking volunteers and support as we continue to help save 2 lives at a time on both end of each leash! In order to effectively manage a sustainable growth rate we are currently looking into increasing volunteers by way of a Prison service dog training program. Lead service dog trainer and founder Kenneth Knabenshue will be traveling to Danville KY to speak with the warden about this partnership planning to instruct inmates to train service dogs. There are 53 inmates that are also veterans many are former dog handlers. This partnership will enable us to provide for increasing number of disabled veterans returning home, additionally this will result in the rescue of many shelter dogs while decreasing veteran suicide rate.

We would like to Send out a huge thank you to Petsmart Charities in Tullahoma TN for their recent donation of \$2,500.00! Pictured below volunteer Alison/Angus TN Team Mike/Evo TN founder and lead service dog trainer Kenneth Knabenshue/Hilda-Guard TN Team Shurray/Luna TN Volunteers Brenda and Michelle.



Thank you Lawrenceburg TN citizens for your support! The Roadblock fundraiser raised \$720.65 A big thank the following local businesses for event sponsorships and support!

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Fred's Super Dollar Domino's Ellison Signs

Please consider making a tax deductible donation! Checks/Money orders may be made payable to: Working Dogs For Vets 2781 Hwy 43 N. Lawrenceburg TN 38464

online fundraiser (go fund me after set up) facebook, at(<u>www.workingdogsforvets.org</u> after getting back up!)