

*I am a 100% Disabled Vet that suffers from a rare Neurological disease called Cataplexy, a component of Narcolepsy, which causes very sporadic loss of partial or complete muscle tone in my body. Not to mention randomly falling asleep at all the wrong times from the Narcolepsy. After being rejected by several organizations, or them wanting me to pay thousands of dollars for a dog, I managed to find the Working Dogs for Vets organization. Ken was very understanding and helpful in explaining how everything works and extremely knowledgeable about service dogs. I have been working with Ken and Brenda alongside Nikki (my service dog) for about 2 years now and it's such a great feeling having Nikki by my side. She is able to alert me to the episodes, as well as stands guard over me until I regain muscle tone to continue, or get back up off the ground. Nikki is also good about ensuring I stay awake when out in public. Before Nikki I rarely left the house due to the disease and never knowing when an episode may occur. Nikki has restored my ability to be normal, well as close to normal as I can get considering. I honestly do not know where I would be today if it wasn't for Ken and Brenda, and of course Nikki. This organization has helped so many Veterans across the country, a lot of those Veterans were like me, no idea where to turn to for help where they didn't have to pay thousands of dollars for a dog, but Ken and Brenda didn't ask for anything in return but to pay it forward. If there ever was a more deserving organization, it would be The Working Dogs for Vets organization.*