Dear Friends,

I hope that you have all enjoyed the summer months, whether you spent time traveling or just accomplishing projects in your home, I hope you found time to slow down and relax. At Canine Partners for Life, we just completed our 2022–2023 fiscal year and we are celebrating many accomplishments, thanks to your support!

Our development team has been busy building corporate partnerships and increasing corporate volunteer opportunities. Over the past few months, these volunteers have assisted with Graduations, cleaning the vans and preparing the training barn for Team Training. We are also working to increase the number of outreach events, creating more community awareness of the service dog industry, and expanding the number of donors and volunteers.

Hopefully you were able to join us for Team Training and/or Summer Graduation, where we celebrated the accomplishments of two CPL successor teams, two first time teams and our breeder dog, Taylor.

We are still in the rebranding process. Many of our donors, volunteers and graduates shared their input on what they would like to see in a new CPL logo. We’re working hard to incorporate everyone’s feedback and look forward to sharing our new logo and website in the near future.

We’ve exceeded our goals to increase the number of dogs in our program. We’ve established new relationships with breeders, rescues and a nonprofit organization in North Carolina which will allow us to continue to bring more dogs in the program for years to come. We are also working hard to recruit more puppy raisers and hope to expand our puppy raising program into more colleges and prisons in the future.

As we look ahead to our new fiscal year, and the celebration of our 35th anniversary, we know it will be another year of great success thanks to your support.

I hope to see you all at our Fall Festival on Saturday, September 16!

With Gratitude,

Janie Cramer
Executive Director

A WORD from CPL’s Executive Director

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ON THE COVER Missie, a service dog in training. Photo taken by Jim Coarse.
Introducing CPL’s Spring and Summer 2023 Partnerships

**SUPPORTER SPOTLIGHT**

**CAMBRIA VETERINARY CARE**

Dr. Johanna Vena, a Veterinarian at Cambria Veterinary Care, was first introduced to Canine Partners for Life (CPL) by her mother, Susan, a CPL volunteer. Susan works with our Prison Puppy Raising Program as a liaison and knows how important our veterinary sponsors are. Cambria became a sponsor in 2016 and since then has helped care for more than 25 CPL puppies. Dr. Vena shared, “We decided to partner with CPL because we recognize it’s such a fantastic organization that does so much good, for so many people, and we wanted to be involved.”

All the staff at Cambria help care for the CPL dogs but for Dr. Vena, her favorite part is hearing about CPL’s Graduates. “I’ve been to some Graduations and met some of the Graduates and to know we helped improve their life is priceless.”

Cambria Veterinary Care is a busy, rural practice located in Johnstown, PA. They provide services for dogs, cats and exotic animals and are excited to begin offering services for large animals within the next year! We encourage you to visit cambriavetcare.com to learn more about their practice. Thank you to all of Cambria’s staff for providing exceptional care to our puppies in training and for their unwavering support of our mission.

*Indicates a successor placement*
The CPL kennel, located on our campus in Cochranville, PA, houses our dogs during their second year of training. Most dogs living in the kennel are between 1–2 years of age and are working on fine-tuning all of their service skills and learning advanced, customized skills to meet the needs of their future partner. While our dogs live in the kennel, they have regular training sessions, take training trips, are groomed on a regular basis, go outside for play time each day, receive walks and cuddles from our volunteers, and occasionally receive adjustments from our dog chiropractor!

One of the best parts of every day is play time! We have 4 play yards behind our kennel, 2 grass yards and 2 concrete yards. Every day, our dogs living in the kennel go outside to play with 3 to 5 other dogs in one of our 4 play yards. They run around on play equipment, chase balls, play in pools in the summer and enjoy the fresh air. Our dogs play hard and depending on the weather, our grass yards can become quite muddy. To help reduce the dirt and mud (so we aren’t bathing 30 dogs per day!) we’ve added pine straw mulch to one of our grass yards. The dogs love it and it allows us to utilize the yard in all types of weather, giving our dogs longer play times! We’d like to give a special thank you to Mid-Atlantic Pine Straw Mulch, who has been supplying the mulch to us at a generous discount.

We also upgraded their pool this summer. Thanks to a grant we received from the Longwood Rotary, we were able to purchase a bone shaped pool with a fountain! Our dogs have enjoyed lounging in the pool and running through the fountain, a welcome break from the heat and humidity. The grant also allowed us to purchase a new tarp to provide additional shade to one of our play yards.

Our next focus in the kennel is to repair, modernize, and streamline our kitchen and grooming room of which we have already begun fundraising and securing funds. Completing this project would provide a safer, more efficient workspace for staff and service dogs, as well as invigorate new life into an active area.

Interested in finding out how you can support this project? Contact Kirstin Downie, Director of Development and Communications at kdownie@k94life.org or (610) 869-4902 x214. Thank you to the many individuals who have helped us raise over $15,000 and the Mushroom Festival and Oxford Area Chamber of Commerce for awarding grants in support of this project!

Thank you to our past and present vet sponsors!

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If you are interested in becoming a vet sponsor, or know a veterinarian who may be willing to sponsor a CPL puppy, please contact Emily Sauer, at esauer@k94life.org or 610-869-4902 x227.
We are incredibly grateful to the individuals, foundations and corporations who have supported our mission! The following list was created based on gifts made of $1,000 or more between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023. (10% of a donor’s capital campaign gift is also included).
West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc, (West) is committed to quality, collaboration, and innovation. A leader in global manufacturing in the design and production of technologically advanced, high-quality, integrated containment and delivery systems for injectable medicines, they also proudly and purposely nurture a culture of philanthropy and community involvement—defining characteristics of the 100-year-old company. West has been a philanthropic supporter of CPL, encouraging and supporting their employees in volunteering for more than a decade.

This includes raising puppies at West’s global headquarters in Exton, PA. Two West employees, Jenny G. and Lindsay R., are currently part of CPL’s Puppy Raising Program and in addition to all they do as puppy raisers, they participate in events around the community, helping to share CPL’s mission. When asked about her experience, Lindsay says, “I have raised 7 puppies and each dog has been special in its own way. People always say how hard it must be to give up the puppy and, yes, of course it is! But just thinking about how each dog could drastically change the quality of life of its recipient is enough to keep me volunteering. I can’t wait to hear the story of the recipient who gets matched with one of the puppies I helped raise.” Puppy raisers play an essential role in helping CPL fulfill its mission and there is a need for more puppy raisers. Jenny offers her perspective about puppy raising, “So far, I have raised 3 puppies and while it is difficult to say goodbye, it is so rewarding to see the puppies mature into amazing dogs. The incredible things these dogs can do provides life altering assistance to those in need. Being even a small part of the journey from puppy to service dog is incredibly rewarding and I encourage everyone to help out their community and give puppy raising a try!”

Supporting West employees in raising CPL puppies and bringing them to work is doing more than raising very special dogs for individuals with disabilities - they are helping to educate our community about the people who live with the challenges of a disability, leading to greater understanding and compassion. West is a company committed to making a difference in the global community. Throughout the company’s history, West leadership has fostered a culture of giving. CPL is very proud to be a West Capstone Charity and we are incredibly grateful for their support of our mission. We look forward to seeing many more puppies walk the halls at West Pharmaceutical Services. This year, West is celebrating its 100th Anniversary. Founded in 1923 by Herman O. West and J.R. Wike of Philadelphia, West works with the world’s top pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies to improve patient health. Happy Anniversary, West!
CONGRATULATIONS

to our dogs transitioning to their second year of training!

Angel • Booth • Chaos
Chewie • Churchill
Georgia • Ilya • Kip
Kokuma • Lightning • Maisel
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Thank you to the puppy raisers who dedicated countless hours to these dogs during their first year of training, providing them with unconditional love, and setting the foundation needed for their future.

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Congratulations to our recently retired teams

May the incredible partnerships and adventures with your dog continue into this next phase of retirement.

Ashley & Galio • Kaggie & Denver • Lorelei & Wilcox • Renee & Ranger

IN OUR THOUGHTS

Bud – Retired service dog to Toni
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