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AN UPDATE

FROM CPL'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

I am honored and excited to introduce myself as the new Executive Director of Canine Partners for Life. As someone who has long admired the mission and impact of this organization, stepping into this role feels both humbling and inspiring.

With a deep passion for animals and a career rooted in nonprofit leadership, I've seen firsthand the life-changing impact that service dogs can have—not just for individuals with disabilities, but for families, communities, and beyond. At CPL, our commitment to training and partnering highly skilled service and companion dogs with people who need them most is truly transformative, and I am proud to help lead this essential work forward.

Over the coming months, I look forward to getting to know more of you—our dedicated supporters, volunteers, partners, and clients. Together, we'll continue to build on CPL's incredible legacy while exploring new opportunities to grow, innovate, and serve even more individuals in need of greater independence and companionship.

Thank you for welcoming me into the CPL family. I can't wait to see what we accomplish together.



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Executive Director



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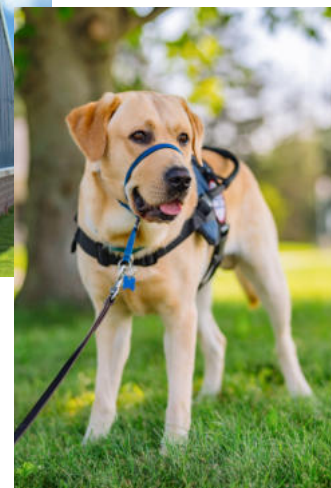
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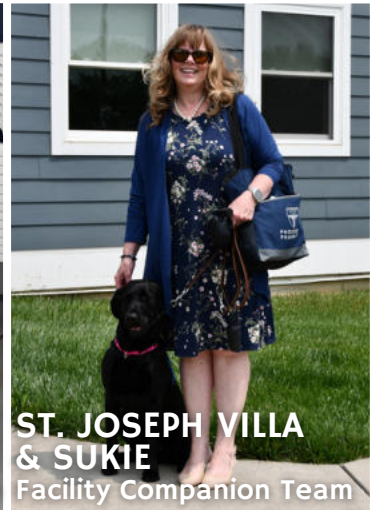
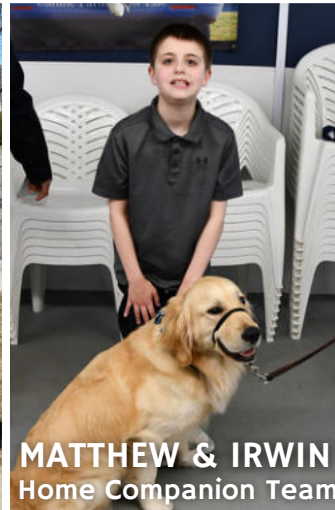
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*CPL Service dog recipient

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*Indicates a successor placement

Breeder photo taken by Moonloop Photography

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All gifts make CPL's mission possible, and we are incredibly grateful for every dollar donated. You can view a full list of all donors between July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 by scanning the QR code.



For more information about how to become a member of the Independence Society, please contact Kirstin Downie, Director of Development and Communications, at 610-869-4902 ext. 214 or kdownie@k94life.org.

INVESTING IN INDEPENDENCE WEST PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES



Azira, raised at West

West Pharmaceutical Services has been one of our leading sponsors for 16 years! They have demonstrated their dedication to our mission through supporting our Spring Gala, Fall Festival, Giving Tuesday, volunteering on the board, raising and training puppies, and representing CPL at outreach events. With four puppy-raisers on staff and additional puppy handlers, they provide invaluable experiences for the puppies who join them in the office every day. Recently, West has committed to a \$100,000.00 pledge to our capital campaign for the Mollie and Minor Barringer Training Center! We are so thankful for the generosity of the staff and leadership at West and look forward to continuing this partnership for many years to come!

Corporate and Community Partners

THANK YOU for supporting CPL's mission of providing greater independence for individuals with disabilities or other situations of need. We are very grateful for your sponsorship and partnership with events and other CPL programs. Your contribution has made a lasting impact on our community!

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If you have a business or know of a business that would like to partner with CPL, or are interested in sponsoring one of our events, please contact Diane Blenke at dblenke@k94life.org or 610-869-4902 x222. CPL also has group volunteer opportunities available. Partnering with CPL helps transform the lives of those we serve. Together we can make a difference!

PAWS IN PROGRESS

Meet Our Dogs

Stage One

Azira	Kate
Boo	Kazan
Britain	Maestro
Buffy	Miles
Clutch	Shadow
Fido	Spike
Hannah	Titus
Jayne	Trinity

Stage Two

Abby	Misty
Blaster	Molly
Chazz	Penelope
Chelsea*	Persy
Chora	Pete
Cousin	Rain
Dazey	Robert
Eli	Savannah
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LC	Thew
Marshal	Trixie*
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Stage Three

Banjo	Honey
Billy	Jody
Boomer	Katie
Chum	Laura*
Colonel*	Mack
Coogan	Mango*
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Fegley	Oak
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Miles

Boomer

Trinity

Mack

Adams

Cousin

Penelope

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*Released from program

"It takes a village to make such a life-changing difference in a person's life that a service dog can and I am glad to be part of the village in whatever way possible. It's wonderful to see and be able to share how a well-trained pup can make our world a better place, one person at a time." - R.K.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RECENTLY RETIRED TEAMS

Mark C. and Woodie
Willow A. and Maisel

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

IN OUR THOUGHTS

Daniel W.
Recipient to Service Dog Zin

John
Service Dog to Victoria V.

Patrick
Home Companion Dog
to Renee S.

Stitch
Home Companion Dog
to Tim & Laura L.

Waldorf
Home Companion Dog to Danny D.



It Takes a Village... and a Vet

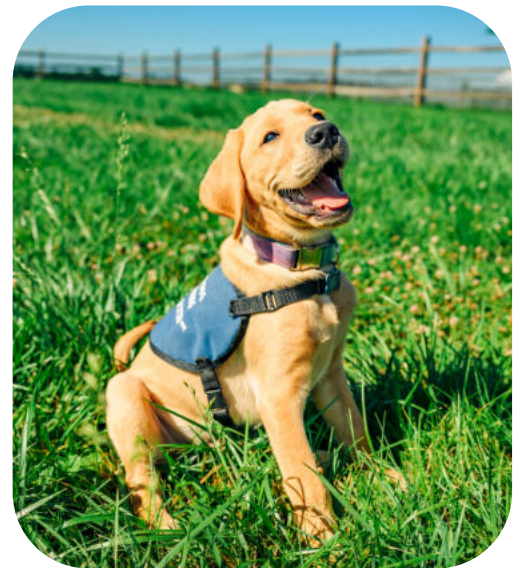
Longwood Veterinary Center opened its doors in 1998, and since then has grown into a team of seven veterinarians and over twenty additional staff. In addition to offering specialty services not often offered in the general practice setting, Longwood Vet implements handling methods that reduce stress and keep veterinary visits fear-free. Vet sponsors with core values that align with the CPL mission are incredibly important and appreciated. Since Longwood Veterinary Center began a partnership with CPL in 2000, they have generously sponsored 29 CPL service dogs in training. Thank you, Longwood Veterinary Center, for your incredible support of the CPL mission!

CPL veterinary sponsors donate full or discounted care to our puppies in training, providing regular examinations, vaccinations, preventative medications, and more.

Thank You to our Vet Sponsors!

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Dental Clinic
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Sugartown Veterinary Hospital
Talleyville Veterinary Hospital
VCA French Creek Animal Hospital
VCA Metzger Animal Hospital
Waynesburg Animal Hospital
Windcrest Animal Hospital
Wolf Run Veterinary Clinic



If you are interested in becoming a vet sponsor, or know a veterinarian who may be willing to sponsor a CPL puppy, please contact Sherry Fitzwater, at sfitzwater@k94life.org or 610-869-4902 ext. 211.

Pictured are Shadow, who is currently being sponsored by Longwood Veterinary Center, and Coogan, who was sponsored by Longwood Veterinary Center as a puppy. Photos by Moonloop Photography.

ADVANCING JUSTICE IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE

Jordan Detection K9, located in Indianapolis, Indiana, trains dogs to locate electronic devices, which can be crucial in criminal cases involving child exploitation, terrorism, white-collar crimes, and more. Since the program was established in 2015, Jordan Detection K9 has trained and deployed over 200 K9 officers, found over 1,000 devices, and recovered more than 300 victims in criminal cases. CPL's new partnership with Jordan Detection K9 began in 2024 so that dogs who may not be a good fit for our program can still serve in another way that is best suited for them. CPL's Simon and Doug were released from the service dog training program, but Jordan Detection K9 saw all of the right qualities in them for electronic storage detection (ESDK9) work. Simon now works for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, and Doug works for the Lycoming County District Attorney's Office – both as ESD K9s.



WANT TO NAME A CPL PUPPY?



Have you heard about Canine Partners for Life's Puppy Naming Program?

Our youngest service dog heroes officially begin their journey in our training program when they receive their assigned names. For puppies born onsite, this special milestone takes place at their 8-week birthday, when we carefully select names from our exclusive naming waitlist—choosing the one that best suits each pup. The naming waitlist is reserved for our leadership donors (gifts of \$2,500 or more), those who have made a significant impact on our organization, and winners of naming opportunities at CPL signature events. Becoming a namer offers a unique, behind-the-scenes connection to our mission.

If you are interested in making a leadership gift or have questions about naming a future CPL puppy hero, contact Kirstin Downie, Director of Development and Communications at kdownie@k94life.org or (610) 869-4902 x214.

Pictured is one of Buttercup's puppies. Photo by Moonloop Photography.

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Our goal is to raise \$3.4 million for our Partnership for Independence Campaign to provide a fully accessible building and campus, a high-quality training facility, and ultimately create life-changing partnerships.

Learn more by contacting Kirstin Downie, Director of Development and Communications, at kdownie@k94life.org or (610) 869-4902 x214.

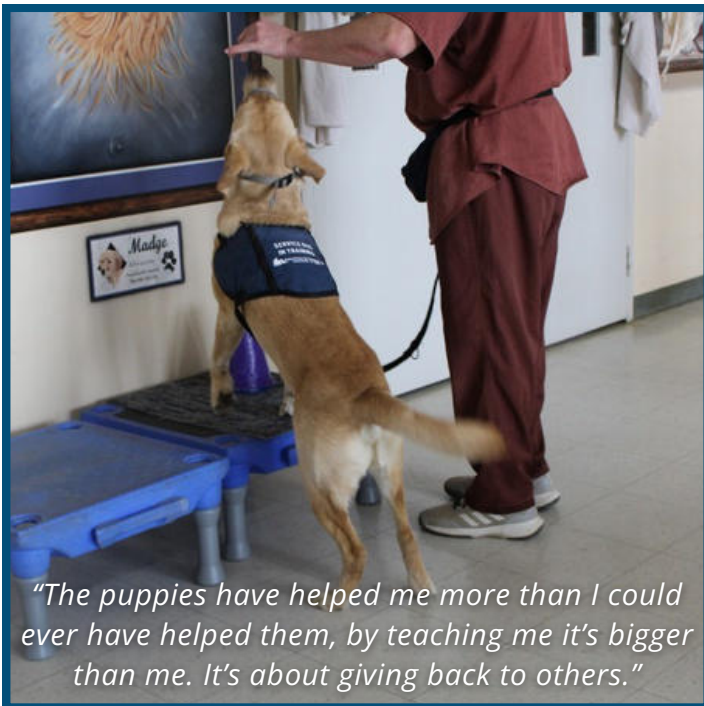


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Raising Hope: A Special Bond Between Inmates and Future Service Dogs

CPL's Prison Puppy Raising Program offers incarcerated individuals a unique opportunity to give back by training future service and companion dogs for those in need. Raising a service dog in-training brings purpose and responsibility to their prison experience, fostering personal growth and rehabilitation.



One incarcerated handler shared, "I love that the program allows us, inmates, to participate in something so life changing while incarcerated. I would have never thought that this was possible coming to prison, and I'm very grateful." Knowing that the dog they're helping to train will one day support someone with a disability provides a powerful sense of contribution and self-worth — something often difficult to find in a prison setting.

"It means everything to me to be able to contribute to society in a tangible way, but my participation in the puppy program is not entirely selfless. Being loved by a dog is the purest form of love: It is a gift that I am grateful to receive every day, even while in prison."

"Volunteering for CPL allows me to not only work towards CPL's mission, but it allows me to see inmates be able to give back to their community. The pride and joy that an inmate handler feels when he sees all the work he has given to that puppy paying off with their recipient is truly heartwarming." - D.D., Prison Puppy Raising Program Coordinator at SCI-Laurel Highlands

Merrill Reese Lends His Legacy to a New Kind of Team

Merrill Reese, Eagles Play by Play Announcer and hall of famer, has been a generous supporter of Canine Partners for Life since he was introduced to the CPL mission in 2020. This year, former NFL quarterback, Ron Jaworski, honored Merrill Reese at his Celebrity Golf Outing on June 5th. Merrill generously selected Canine Partners for Life as his charity of choice to receive a \$5,000 donation on behalf of the Jaws Youth Fund. Thank you, Merrill, for your long time support of the CPL mission!



Blaster at the Annual Golf Tournament

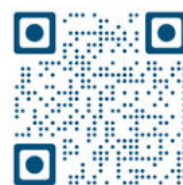


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We're thrilled to introduce two new merchandise collections in our online gift shop! Every purchase helps fund the training and care of life-changing service dogs—so you can shop with style and purpose.

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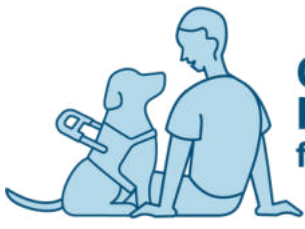
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Please contact CPL with questions: specialevents@k94life.org | 610-869-4902 ext. 225



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