



SAINT FRANCIS  
SERVICE DOGS

## Volunteer Questionnaire

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB (must be 16 years old): \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer opportunities are listed on the attached sheet. Please specify days and hours you would be available to volunteer and that will assist us in determining what will be applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

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Comments or questions: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please return questionnaire to:  
Kris Sorensen, Volunteer Coordinator  
**Saint Francis Service Dogs**  
P.O. Box 19538  
Roanoke, VA 24019  
[volunteer@saintfrancisdogs.org](mailto:volunteer@saintfrancisdogs.org)



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## CONSENT TO BACKGROUND CHECK

I understand that Saint Francis Service Dogs may conduct a background check that will include, without limitation, any criminal history. I do hereby consent to allow Saint Francis to conduct a background check and to use the information in making decisions regarding my employment/volunteer role. I understand that I have the right to review and challenge any negative information that would adversely impact a decision to offer employment/volunteerism. In addition, I have been informed that I will have a reasonable opportunity to clear up any mistaken information reported within a reasonable time frame established by and within the sole discretion of Saint Francis Service Dogs.

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Signature

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Print Name

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Date of Birth

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Social Security Number

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Date

*If Releasor is under 18, signature of parent/guardian is required below:*

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Signature of parent/guardian

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Please Print Name

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Relationship to minor

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Date

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Contact: Kris Sorensen, Volunteer Coordinator

It really does take a village to raise and place one Saint Francis Service Dog, and Saint Francis would not be able to continue our mission without the tireless efforts of hundreds of dedicated volunteers. We welcome all levels of involvement, and work hard to provide our volunteers with a unique and fulfilling experience. Our volunteer opportunities include:

- **Puppy/Dog Sitters:** Puppy/Dog Sitters care for Saint Francis puppies and dogs on weekends or for periods of one or two weeks while their regular puppy raisers are on vacation, or to give dogs in training a change of scenery. Sitters help our Saint Francis puppies and dogs by exposing them to new friends and different places.
- **Puppy Raisers:** Puppy Raisers open their homes and hearts to future service dogs, raising puppies for approximately one year and helping them learn their basic obedience skills before returning them to Saint Francis Service Dogs for advanced training. Puppy Raisers must attend weekly training classes at our facility and, thus, should live in the Roanoke area.
- **Dog Walkers:** Dog Walkers are needed on a weekly basis to walk dogs and puppies living in or visiting our kennels. Dog Walkers provide much needed socialization and exercise to promote overall good health for service dogs in training.
- **Candidate Class Meal Assistance:** Candidate Classes provide information and training for Candidates who are in the process of being placed with a Service Dog. Class includes an hour long lunch, which provides Candidates an opportunity to relax and visit with staff and trainers. Volunteers prepare and serve lunch at their own expense. The main dish is provided by Saint Francis Service Dogs.
- **Angel Tree:** Tanglewood Mall plays generous host to our annual Angel Tree. The Angel Tree is on display from the end of November to mid-December, and helps us collect donations of toys, treats, and gift cards for our puppies and dogs in training. Volunteers help construct and maintain tree decorations, and collect and distribute gifts.
- **Special Events:** Volunteering to assist with a Saint Francis fundraising event is a wonderful way to have a great time while helping us strengthen our organization and mission. Our signature events could not take place without our army of helpers, and we appreciate each and every one.
- **Service Projects:** If your civic group, scout troop, fraternal organization or business is seeking a cooperative working and learning experience, a project at the Saint Francis Training Center, or for Saint Francis Service Dogs, may be right for you.
- **Other areas:** Current Volunteer Announcements are also posted on our website at [www.saintfrancisdogs.org](http://www.saintfrancisdogs.org). If you are interested in joining the Saint Francis Family of volunteers, please contact Volunteer Coordinator, Kris Sorensen, in order to discuss your area of interest and complete an application. You can reach her at 342-3647 ext. 401 or at [volunteer@saintfrancisdogs.org](mailto:volunteer@saintfrancisdogs.org).