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## **Your Service Dog Inc is in Need of Puppy Raisers After A New Donation of Puppies in Illinois**

501(c)(3) nonprofit **Your Service Dog Inc** is in immediate need of **volunteer Puppy Raisers**. The Puppy Raiser program needs raisers on a continual basis but received a **new donation** of a handful of puppies from an individual in the **Chicago area** of Illinois and needs volunteers, preferably in the **Illinois or Indiana** area, **ASAP**.

### **Chicago, Illinois - April 2022**

A Your Service Dog Inc supporter in the **Chicago** area offered a **handful of puppies**, to be trained as **Service Dogs**, in the past month so we need **volunteer Puppy Raisers** to take on raising the puppy for **over 6 months**. These specific pups will soon need to transition to a Raiser, ideally local to **Illinois** but we're **willing to transport** the pups if necessary.

This one donation requires Puppy Raisers **ASAP**, but Your Service Dog Inc requires volunteer Puppy Raisers **year-round**, we're often offered puppies but **lack Puppy Raisers** to take on these pups who will become Service Dogs. Without Raisers many people with disabilities are left **without the assistance they need** to mitigate their symptoms and prevented from thriving.

A woman in the **Chicago area** has graciously offered us a few puppies, has done so in the past, and plans to do so again in the future. She herself has a **YSDI-trained Service Dog** and **often entrusts YSDI** with a batch of donated **puppies**. Your Service Dog Inc's **volunteers and Trainers** with our **online Your Service Dog School** will **provide all training support** entirely remotely.

Your **Service Dog Inc's Service Dog Training** program is unique in that it can happen **remotely**. Any Raisers and Handlers have the help of YSDI's many **Handler Training** programs at an **affordable** rate, not to mention the guidance of a qualified Your Service Dog Inc Trainer.

To learn more about the Puppy Raiser program visit our [Puppy Raiser Program page](#) and to get involved see our Puppy Raiser [application form](#). And for information about Your Service Dog Inc in general, visit our [About](#) page or our online [newsroom](#).

### **Quotes -**

About our critical thinking approach to training and the impact of Your Service Dog Inc in her life and her dog Skylos, one client had this testimonial to offer, "When our dogs are trained with patience, respect and love, they get to think for themselves [...] they are thinking, feeling beings, and for me this has shaped Skylos and I into a much better Service Team, Skylos has become my ever helpful companion and friend as well as my Service Dog. Lelah's book [...] has helped me find a Partner and a Buddy in Skylos, and helped us grow towards our full potential."

**About the Organization -**

Your Service Dog Inc is devoted to providing Full Potential Service Dogs and training programs to people with disabilities who otherwise couldn't afford or access a service dog. The Alaska-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit was built from Lelah Sullivan's belief that a service dog is as vital and necessary an aid as a cane or wheelchair, and should never be delayed or prohibited by cost, lengthy waiting lists, or distance.

**Notes to Editor -**

This donation happened in the last month and needs volunteers **ASAP**, but Your Service Dog Inc requires the aid of **Puppy Raisers** year round in **various locations**. Currently we have a noted **lack of volunteer Puppy Raisers**. These particular puppies come from the Chicago area, ideally volunteer Puppy Raisers for this **group of puppies** would be local to **Illinois**, but we're willing to **transport if necessary**. **Urgency** should be highlighted, as should the link to the **application form**: <https://forms.gle/T3UsrNewwLDw3GsLA>

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