



K9s for Warriors

K9s for Warriors is the nation's largest veteran service organization providing highly skilled service dogs to disabled American heroes. The core of our K9s for Warriors focused on mitigating the symptoms associated with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), and Military Sexual Trauma (MST), with the end goal of preventing veteran suicide. Their goal is to empower the veterans to return to civilian life with dignity and independence.

K9s for Warriors is a tax-exempt 501c (3) nonprofit organization which provides PTSD service dogs of the highest quality at **no cost** to those in the program to help restore their physical and emotional independence. The focus is on healing - helping the veteran and paired service dog build a bond to facilitate healing and recovery. As the healing takes place, the reintegration into society begins. When service members come back from a Military Conflict have distinctive experiences that result in feeling different and acting different. They understand that this attitude is called Post Traumatic Stress. BUT what do you do? Where do you turn? Do you go to the Veterans Administration for help?

There is an alternative solution!!! Service dogs are such a magical and special creature. K9s for Warrior's as they train and match veterans/dogs teams, may instigate the Veterans Administration to WAKE UP to realize the very real need and solution that these dogs can provide for their veterans. It is so unacceptable that over twenty-two veterans a day commit suicide. That must stop—K9s may be the right answer for this problem. Warriors can return to their communities with a new **“leash”** on life as productive citizens who make a positive difference. After completing the three-week training program, the veteran will have gained the emotional means to repair their relationship with themselves, their families, and their friends.

Roughly 90% of their service dogs come from shelters or are owner-surrendered. Instead of a life of abandonment they are given a new purpose.

With each graduate pair, they save two lives; they rescue the dog, and the dog rescues the Warrior.

In Friendship, I remain in Loyalty, Protection and Service

Pat Suckow

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