JANE DOE

Service Dog Trainer

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Summary

Assistance Dogs International (ADI) - aligned Service Dog Trainer with 6+ years preparing mobility, PSD, and medical-alert dogs for disabled handlers. IAABC-accredited and KPA-certified, with a 95% public access test pass rate and full adherence to ADA task-training standards. Deep expertise in LIMA, Fear Free handling, and post-RTO client virtual coaching.

Experience

Canine Companions (ADI Accredited Member)

Santa Rosa, CA

Senior Service Dog Trainer

Feb 2022 - Present

Prepare mobility, hearing, and PSD service dogs for placement with disabled handlers following ADI and ADA public access standards.

- Shape 45+ ADA-defined tasks using marker-based positive reinforcement and successive approximation
- Pass 95% of teams on ADI public access tests on first attempt, exceeding program benchmark of 82%
- Run virtual client coaching via Zoom for out-of-state handlers, completing 60% of handover training remotely
- Lead LIMA-compliant troubleshooting for reactive and fearful candidate dogs prior to advanced training
- Mentor 4 junior trainers on Fear Free handling and science-based task-training protocols

Petco Positive Dog Training

Los Angeles, CA

Service Dog Trainer

Jul 2019 - Jan 2022

Delivered foundation obedience and public access prep for owner-trained service dog candidates.

- Trained 60+ owner-trained service dog teams in CGC, CGCA, and Urban CGC prerequisites
- Designed separation-anxiety protocols for post-RTO clients returning to in-office work
- Transitioned program away from leash-correction methods to fully R+ curriculum

Education

Cornell University

New York, USA

Bachelor of Science in Animal Science

Jan 2015 - Dec 2017

Animal Science · GPA: 3.8/4.0

University of California, Davis

California, USA

Master of Science in Canine Behavior and Training

Jan 2018 - Dec 2019

Canine Behavior and Training · GPA: 3.9/4.0

Skills

• Service Dog Training • Canine Behavior Modification • Obedience Training • Public Access Testing • Client Communication

• Training Protocol Development • Data Analysis