Types of Service Dogs

There are several different kinds of service dogs, including:

1. Guide dogs

Assistance dogs who lead visually impaired and blind people around obstacles are one of the most commonly known types of service dogs.

2. Hearing dogs

For the deaf by alerting their human to noises such as alarms, doorbells, or crying babies. When the dog hears the sound, they'll touch their human and lead toward the noise.

3. Mobility dogs

For mobility assistance dogs can bring objects to people, press buttons on automatic doors, serve as a brace for people who are ambulatory, or even help pull a wheelchair up a ramp. These dogs help people increase their independence and confidence.

4. Seizure alert dogs

Dogs who react with a specific type of behavior right before her human has a seizure.

5. Seizure response dogs

Not to be confused with seizure alert dogs, seizure response dogs are trained to provide help to a person experiencing an epileptic seizure, not to predict the seizure. These dogs can be trained to bark for help or to press an alarm system during a person's seizure. They can also get a person out of an unsafe place during a seizure and help the handler to come around when the seizure ends. These dogs may also bring medicine or a phone to a person who is coming out of a seizure.

6. Autism dogs

These dogs help provide a sense of predictability as the children navigate social settings, including school. The dogs can be a big help for kids who have trouble connecting with classmates, as the canine acts as an icebreaker in social situations. In addition to improving the child's quality of life by reducing isolation and comforting the child in stressful times, these dogs are also trained to keep children from running away and can often track children if they do run off.

7. Diabetic alert dogs

Also known as DADs, these medical alert dogs can provide independence and security by alerting to chemical changes in their handler's blood sugar. The scent changes associated with hyperglycemic or hypoglycemic events in diabetics are imperceptible to humans, but dogs can pick up on them and alert their people to blood sugar highs and lows before the levels become dangerous. When a diabetic alert dog alerts, his human then knows to test his blood, then inject insulin or ingest a dose of glucose before his blood level gets dangerous. Many of these dogs are trained to go alert others in the household or set off an alarm system if their human needs medical help.

8. Psychiatric service dogs-

For people who are suffering from issues like depression, anxiety, and most often post-traumatic stress disorder. PTSD can afflict people after they've served in combat, worked as a first responder, or experienced abuse, natural disasters, terrorism, and other life-altering events, such as car crashes.

9. Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder service dogs (FASD)

these dogs support children who were exposed to alcohol prenatally, and have been diagnosed with fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASDs). These children may have physical and mental difficulties, as well as behavioral problems and learning disabilities. FASD dogs are trained similarly to autism service dogs and can be trained to interrupt a repetitive behavior.

10. Allergy detection dogs

Allergy detection dogs are trained to sniff out and alert to the odor of things such as peanuts or gluten

There are also other types of dogs with jobs that help people But they are not service dogs and cannot go everywhere that people though, including

- 1. Emotional support animals
- 2. Therapy support animals
- 3. Search and rescue dogs
- 4. Police dogs
- 5. Drug sniffing dogs
- 6. Money sniffing dogs at the border
- 7. gun sniffing dogs at the border
- 8. Rescue Swimmer dogs they drop from a helicopter to help drowning victims
- 9. Dogs that hunt dead victims like at 911
- 10. Bomb sniffing dogs
- 11. Hunting dogs
- 12. Herding dogs on a ranch