

# NEWSLETTER



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## DONOR SPOTLIGHT: MEET PAM

Pam Doedli, former executive secretary and dog show competitor, is retired with her husband in Warren County, Missouri. A proud Lab owner since 1984, Pam found us three years ago through co-founder Terri, who met her at several dog shows. When Terri began evaluating a new litter of puppies for the organization, Pam saw an opportunity to learn what goes into producing and breeding service dogs. She brought home labrador Piper from that litter and soon became a raiser for SSSD's breeding program. An opportunity she says has given her deep satisfaction.

"Knowing Terri and Diane have placed their faith and trust in me is an honor," she said of labradors Bella and Noira, who are also now under her care. "It's such fun raising a darling puppy, and knowing (each one) was purposefully bred to further SSSD has focused my energy on ensuring she matures into the dog they hope she will be."

Pam described the organization as "awe-inspiring," admiring their dedication to producing service dogs. Over the years, she

donated time and money to help the nonprofit grow and thrive -- whether it's purchasing wishlist items for the dogs, funding a lab for the breeding program, putting posters up around town to spread word, or now raising Bella and Noira with Piper as her companion.

When asked what she wished others knew about SSSD, Pam wanted to emphasize the work, cost, and care that goes into a service dog's development. Each dog is carefully evaluated to give them the best chance to become a service dog or breed future service dogs, yet not all dogs can achieve this.

"People need to understand the importance of selecting dogs for temperament, overall health, and physical structure," she said. "They are critically important to the success of breeding puppies that thrive as service dogs, and it's a costly, time-consuming process; SSSD excels at selecting dogs to produce those special puppies."

We are honored to have a dedicated volunteer and friend in Pam. Thank you for all you have done and continue to do for us and our canines!

## ONE "DAD" DOG!

Tricia Ahrens is living her dream come true, giving back to others in need. SSSD's latest trio of pups could not have happened so easily without the help of Tricia and her 2-year-old pup, Chase, who sired the litter!

"I love everything SSSD is doing right now," said Trisha. "So, if I can help them out by just taking care of this for them, it makes it worth it."



## LATEST FOOD DRIVE RESULTS

During our latest food drive, we collected 910 pounds of food for Paw Partners Unleashed. They will be distributing the food to local Las Vegas animal rescues. This would not have been possible without our great donors!

You are what made this possible. We cannot wait to see how much we can collect in the next one!

