



At Assistance Dogs Australia, we understand the important bond between humans and dogs.

Assistance Dogs Australia is a national charity which trains Labradors and Golden Retrievers to perform tasks for people living with disabilities throughout Australia. Learning up to 50 commands, we ensure that an Assistance Dog is not only man's best friend, but most helpful friend too. Each Assistance Dog takes up to two years and costs \$30,000 to train to meet the individual needs of each person living with a disability.

Assistance Dogs are placed free of charge with their new owner, providing life-changing support for up to 10 years of the dog's working life.



SERVICES

People living with Physical Disabilities

Assistance Dogs help people living with physical and developmental disabilities by performing tasks such as retrieving the phone, picking up dropped items, paying the cashier at the shops, opening and closing doors, getting items from the fridge, emptying the washing machine, and alert barking if their owner is in trouble.

Children & Families living with Autism

Assistance Dogs provide both physical and emotional support for families living with Autism. Assistance Dogs are trained to assist with a child's development, helping develop communication skills, empathy and help calm a child through difficult times.



People living with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)

Assistance Dogs provide physical and emotional support to help people living with PTSD better cope with day-to-day situations, providing calming reassurance during times which cause extreme anxiety.

Education Support

Assistance Dogs are placed in schools to assist in a classroom environment. They help provide a calming influence for children with a range of needs such as autism, anxiety, learning and behavioural difficulties and can help reduce the incidence of bullying and truancy.


Facility Support

Assistance Dogs provide group therapy support in community facilities such as aged care homes, special needs group housing, children's hospices and rehabilitation units. Assistance Dogs are also placed with couples living at home with the early stages of dementia.

KEY FACTS

 50 Assistance Dogs placed with clients in past two years

 90%+ success rate in Assistance Dog placements in past two years

 140+ People on the Assistance Dog waiting list

 50+ Super puppies in training

 300+ Volunteers including our Puppy Educators

CLIENT STORY - ROB & JIMMY

As a father of three living with chronic post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), Rob was taking anti-anxiety medication daily, with a whole host of side effects. With the introduction of Jimmy the PTSD Assistance Dog, Rob's medication has reduced from once or twice a day, to once or twice a month.

Having Jimmy by his side has empowered Rob to take part in more activities with his three young sons. Busy crowded basketball games, and school pickups are now part of the daily routine, something Rob thought he might never be able to do again, before the arrival of Jimmy.

When anxiety strikes, Jimmy is there to lick, nudge or play with Rob.

"Jimmy intervenes and forces me to ground myself before I even know what is going on. He keeps me calmer." He is the perfect wingman.





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Giving Freedom & Independence

WHAT IS WORKPLACE GIVING?

Workplace Giving is a three way partnership between employees, employers and charities. It brings compelling benefits to each party. From supporting charities to meeting corporate social responsibility objectives, Workplace Giving joins communities in positive and long lasting relationships.

WHY CHOOSE WORKPLACE GIVING?

- It's a win-win-win for business, employees and charities.
- Employers enjoy greater staff engagement, retention, productivity, reputation and social impact.
- Employees give in a smarter, tax-effective way and build a sense of pride in their employer.
- Charities get low-cost, regular funds, access to valuable skills and strong partnerships.
- Contribution reaching further with over 70% of companies match donations.
- **Assistance Dogs Australia can organise a morning tea information session & demonstration with one of our Ambassador Dogs at your workplace.**



WIN WIN CALCULATIONS

WHEN YOU GIVE \$20 PER PAY* VIA PRE-TAX WORKPLACE GIVING

AND YOUR EMPLOYER DOLLAR MATCHES

ASSISTANCE DOGS AUSTRALIA RECEIVES **\$40**

IT WILL ONLY COST YOU \$13.50*

*Based on a salary of \$80,000 per year, paid fortnightly, calculation via 2016/17 Australian Individual Tax Rates

3 SIMPLE STEPS TO START GIVING

- 1** Complete the Workplace giving registration form and send it to your payroll office
- 2** Instruct your payroll office to deduct your nominated amount from your gross pre-tax salary every pay period
- 3** Request that your pay office send the form on to Assistance Dogs Australia, fax 02 9548 3766 or post to PO Box 503, Surry Hills, NSW 2010, or email support@assistedogs.org.au

Or find Assistance Dogs Australia & setup your giving today on one of these Workplace Giving Platforms that might be available in your workplace.



By giving regularly you'll be helping change lives one puppy at a time

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