



DOG VOLUNTEER TRAINING LEVELS AND JOB DESCRIPTION

GREEN LEVEL VOLUNTEER (entry level position)

Dog volunteers who achieve the “Green Level” of training will provide basic dog obedience training to our shelter dogs, walk and exercise the dogs within the shelter, assist with laundry and dish cleaning, provide basic assistance to customers, handle dogs at events and generally support other shelter activities. Volunteers at this level will have completed the Basic Training and have volunteered from 0 to 4 months on a regular basis (regular basis means at least 2 hours per week)

SILVER LEVEL VOLUNTEER (at least 32 hours of volunteering experience)

Dog volunteers who achieve the “Silver Level” of training will provide all of the above in addition to serving as a “Lead” volunteer in mentoring new volunteers. Volunteers at this level will have completed the Basic Training, Intermediate Training and have volunteered for at least 4 months on a regular basis. In order to serve as a “Lead” volunteer, they must have completed the Good Manners Classes.

GOLD LEVEL VOLUNTEER (at least 48 hours of volunteering experience)

Dog volunteers who achieve the “Gold Level” of training may provide all of the above in addition to serving as dog adoption counselors, Offsite Walkers and Special Needs dog handling. Volunteers at this level will have completed Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Training and volunteered for at least 6 months or a minimum of 48 hours. These volunteers may also be trained as B.E. scribes and invited to participate in the “Give A Dog A Bone” program.

BASIC TRAINING

Basic training includes: Orientation, General Shelter Training, Canine Capers class, mentoring and completion of the Good Manners Classes.

INTERMEDIATE TRAINING

All of the above and comprehension and skill in “Good Manners” program.

ADVANCED TRAINING

All of the above and Adoption Counseling training and/or B. E. scribe training, “Give A Dog A Bone” training, Special Needs Dogs training.

