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FINANCIALS

Our story is one that demonstrates how pooling together many gifts can make one large impact. Over 3,800 individuals, foundations and companies supported our life-saving mission during our 2017-2018 fiscal year. The most frequent gift amount was \$50. Every single gift received, no matter its size, was needed and put to good use. We sincerely thank each and every one of you for choosing to make a difference. You are all a cherished part of our Search Dog Foundation Family!

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OCTOBER 1, 2017 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

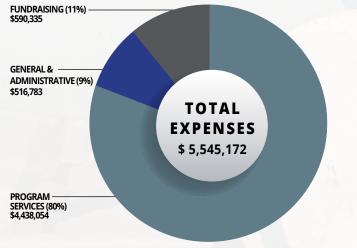
BALANCE SHEET

Current Assets	\$ 8,373,081
Fixed Assets	\$ 25,750,571
Other Assets	\$ 52,241
Total Assets	\$ 34,175,893
Current Liabilities	\$ 2,422,686
Long Term Liabilities	\$ 2,741,276
Total Liabilities	\$ 5,163,962
Net Assets	\$ 29,011,931
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 34,175,893

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

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PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REV	ENU	E
Contributions	\$	1,457,724
Grants	\$	1,749,905
Planned Giving Income	\$	956,261
Year End Appeals	\$	
In-Kind Donations	\$	1,853,619
Investment Income	\$	211,543
Sponsorship Gifts	\$	97,948
Merchandising Income	\$	19,207
Other Income	\$	34,258
Gain (Loss) on disposition of assets	\$	(89,790)
Total Public Support*	\$	6,474,464

OPERATING EXPENSES



*\$1,082,173 of public support and revenue was restricted and/or has been allocated to construction of the National Training Center (NTC). Funds expended on construction and maintenance of the NTC are captured as assets on our Balance Sheet and not as expenses on our Statements of Activities

A healthy endowment supports the financial stability of SDF. The fund's value totaled \$4,741,742 as of September 30, 2018.



OUR LIFESAVING MISSION

The Search Dog Foundation (SDF) strengthens disaster response in America by rescuing and recruiting dogs and partnering them with firefighters and other first responders to find people buried alive in the wreckage of disasters

We provide highly trained search dogs and ongoing professional training to task forces across the nation at no cost to their departments or taxpayers.

SDF has trained a total of 218 teams that have deployed to 184 disasters and missing person searches. There are currently 71 SDF-trained Search Teams located in California, Florida, Nebraska, New York, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Virginia, and Baja California. Thanks to mutual aid agreements between states, these teams can be deployed nationwide and even internationally wherever disasters occur.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS OCTOBER 1, 2017 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

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RECRUITING RESCUED DOGS TO BE RESCUERS

Not every dog is meant to be a search dog and when the mission is to save lives and ensure no one is left behind, it is imperative we get the right dogs for the job. Requiring near obsessive drive to possess the toy, endless energy and laser-like focus, along with the ability to learn and be social, can make finding canine candidates a challenge.

Our network of shelters, rescue groups and recruiters across the country is always on the lookout, whether in the kennels, online, or through word-of-mouth, for dogs that need a job and a second "leash on life."

When a new canine recruit arrives at our campus for the first time, they may not know it yet, but our National Training Center (NTC) will be their new

home for the next 8-12 months of search dog training. Sometimes, the NTC is the first home these dogs have ever known and our staff at SDF is the first family that has ever loved them

If you know a dog that might have these qualities and be a good fit for our program, please contact our Canine Recruitment team at Recruitment@SearchDogFoundation.org.



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another puppy, from a breeder in hopes that

Gemma's story began when a couple in Alabama bought her along with

by a handler on Alabama Task Force 1 (AL-TF1) who identified Gemma's potential for a job in urban search and rescue. Gemma's foster reached out to another handler on AL-TF1, SDF recruiter, Melanie Faulkner who was quick to notice she was a great fit for our program!

> In order to get Gemma from Mobile. Alabama to SDF in California, another nonprofit

Working with over 150 rescue partners, the SDF recruitment team evaluated 240 dogs across the United States. Of those evaluated. 18 were formally accepted into our training program as official canine candidates, joining 19 classmates who were already in training.

they would be family pets. Within months, the two pups landed in Saraland Animal Shelter because they were deemed "too much to handle."

Luckily, Save a Stray Rescue in Alabama pulled Gemma from the shelter and quickly placed her in a foster home. Gemma's good fortune continued as she was fostered

called Pilots N Paws came to her rescue. Pilot Sean Moran volunteered, donating his time and aircraft to transport this small, spirited pup across the country to the local airport in Santa Paula, CA.

"Gemma was a little fireball!" Sean said. "She was full of so much energy, but at the same time was a total sweetheart. Her curiosity also brought her into the cockpit of the plane before we even took off!"

After seven stops from Mobile to Santa Paula, Gemma arrived in sunny California, where her new SDF Family eagerly awaited her arrival

Once at the NTC, Gemma excelled in our evaluation and showed tremendous potential, wagging her tiny tail as she

searched for her toy

One of the happiest dogs to ever run on rubble, it seems as if Gemma is always happy to see people and do her job with enthusiasm!

"Gemma is truly a 'gem," shares SDF Trainer Katie

THE RACHAEL RAY **RESCUE BRIGADE: FINDING THE RIGHT DOGS FOR THE JOB**

We celebrated another year of this special program, made possible by a grant from The Rachael Ray Foundation[™] to support the recruitment of rescued dogs for our training program, their ongoing care, and the assurance that they'll never need to be rescued again.

Thanks to everyone who donated, we raised \$546,620 to provide shelter dogs with a home and job they love!

There are many amazing dogs out there that just need to be given a chance to succeed and The Rachael **Ray Rescue** Brigade is leading the charge!

> Brennan, who works with Gemma daily. "She very much likes to engage with anyone and everyone, but can become very focused and on task when the time arises."

All the time, resources and people it took to get Gemma from Alabama to SDF demonstrate the tremendous dedication required to help dogs fulfill their purpose as canine heroes. We look forward to great things from this bright and bouncy candidate!





Sadly, we know it's not a matter of if, but when the next disaster will occur.

During our 2017-2018 fiscal year, 32 SDF-trained canine disaster search teams responded with their task forces and fire departments to 17 deployments across nine states.

Highly trained from the start and supported in honing their skills throughout their careers, these SDF teams were fully prepared for their rescue missions.

1 — MISSING PERSON SEARCH

October 27, 2017 — Richmondville, NY Brian Girard & Keila, Greg Gould & Dax

2 — MISSING PERSON SEARCH

December 27, 2017 — Delaware County, PA Eric Darling & Ben

3 — MUDSLIDE

January 8-17, 2018 — Montecito, CA Jake Armendariz & Clancy, Brent Brainard & Decker, Dennis Clark & Rugby, Dennis DiMarzio & Ty, Jason Dobbins & Diva, Davis Doty & Jester, Josh Flores & Cajun, Donovan George & Ollie, Eric Gray & Riley, Wade Haller & Rex, Sonja Heritage & Asta, Eric Ingstad & Java, Matthew Kirk & Stella, Eric Lieuwen & Jake, Manny Sampang & Eva, Cynthia Sato & Roxy, Mike Stornetta & Rocket, Doug Van Iwaarden & Sadie

4 — MISSING PERSON SEARCH

January 17, 2018 — Delaware County, PA Eric Darling & Ben

5 — FLOOD PRESTAGING

February 21-23, 2018 — Malone, NY Greg Gould & Dax

6 — BRIDGE COLLAPSE

March 15, 2018 — Miami, FL Julie Padelford-Jansen & Ricochet

7 — MUDSLIDE PRESTAGING

March 20-23, 2018 — Santa Barbara, CA Dennis Clark & Rugby, Davis Doty & Jester, Eric Gray & Riley, Wade Haller & Rex, Mike Toepfer & Deacon, Doug Van Iwaarden & Sadie





8 — BUILDING COLLAPSE

June 18, 2018 — Poughkeepsie, NY Brian Girard & Keila, Greg Gould & Dax

9 — MISSING PERSON SEARCH

July 4, 2018 — Glendale, UT Madison Warner & Tanner

10 — PARKING GARAGE COLLAPSE

July 31, 2018 — Irving, TX Derek Chaky & Scout, Laurel Pitman & Sonic

11 — MISSING PERSON SEARCH

August 9, 2018 — Waterford, NY Brian Girard & Keila, Greg Gould & Dax

12 — UPSTATE NY FLOODING

August 14-15, 2018 — Lodi, NY Brian Girard & Keila, Greg Gould & Dax

13 — HURRICANE LANE

August 22-30, 2018 — Hawaiian Islands, HI Brent Brainard & Decker, Linda D'Orsi & Haley, Ed Martinez & Fritz

14 — HURRICANE OLIVIA

September 8-14, 2018 — Hawaiian Islands, HI Garreth Miller & Vita, Eli Thomas & Vader

15 — MISSING PERSON SEARCH

September 9, 2018 — Schenectady, NY Brian Girard & Keila, Greg Gould & Dax

16 — HURRICANE FLORENCE

September 10-28, 2018 — NC and SC Marshia Hall & Lilah, Steve MacDonald & Lily, Mark Schroeder & Noah

17 — MISSING PERSON SEARCH

September 19, 2018 — South El Monte, CA Dennis Clark & Rugby, Wade Haller & Rex

MPAIRED

After a lengthy interview and evaluation process, hours of classroom work, a two-week Handler Course at our National Training Center and months of training, the long-awaited moment of graduation arrives for both handler and search dog. The pairing of a search team marks the beginning of the lifelong bond between human and canine that is essential to their careers together.

During our 2017-2018 fiscal year, SDF partnered 13 new search teams for six federal and state task forces throughout the United States. These teams also serve their eight respective fire departments and can respond when their communities are in need of help. We are proud to introduce our 2017-2018 graduates!



Aide Barbat & Delta San Diego Fire-Rescue California Task Force 8 Sponsor: The Joel and Dena Gambord Family



Mike Brice & Blake San Diego Fire-Rescue California Task Force 8 Sponsor: Red Oak Foundation







Vincent Fuccella & Hank Sacramento Fire California Task Force 7 ned in memory of Hank Salvatori



Scott Hofstetter & Amber Civilian Nebraska Task Force 1 Sponsor: Julie Croker Named in memory of Amber Skall

Brook Rowley & Echo

New York State Division of Homeland Security &

Emergency Services Office of Fire Prevention & Control

New York Task Force 2

Sponsor: Arc Aspicio

Named by Miller Hill Elementary in New York





Billy Walkenhorst & Victor City of Santee Fire California Task Force 8 Sponsor: Patricia Snyder Named in memory of the six U.S. Marines who lost their lives during earthquake relief

efforts in Nepal on May 12, 2015



Laura Denison & Flyer Civilian Nebraska Task Force 1 Sponsor: The Joel and Dena Gambord Family



Gary Durian & Frisco Los Angeles County Fire California Task Force 2 Sponsors: Mary and Jeff Kroll



Jason Jasgur & Ruffy Los Angeles Fire California Task Force 1 Sponsor: Patricia Snyder

Chula Vista Fire California Task Force 8 Sponsors: Mary and Jeff Kroll



Adam Leckonby & Luka

New York State Division of Homeland Security & **Emergency Services Office of Fire Prevention & Control** New York Task Force 2 Sponsor: The Joel and Dena Gambord Family Named in memory of Captain Dustin R. Lukasiewicz, Aircraft Commander, USMC



Joe Zakar & Dora San Diego Fire-Rescue California Task Force 8 Sponsor: The Joel and Dena Gambord Family

CERTIFICATIONS

Before a search team can deploy to a disaster, they must first achieve state or federal certification. SDF provides search dogs to both systems and supports these teams as they train and travel to certification tests at various sites throughout the country.



BRANDON ANDERSEN & WINNIE

California Task Force 7 Sacramento Metro Fire FEMA Certification: January 2018 Recruited from Herding Dog Rescue of Wyoming Recruited by South Dakota Canine

Center Guardian: Patricia Flynn Sponsor: The Lois and Al Friedman Family Named by William and Winifred

Freeman Foundation



KRISTI BARTLETT &

IVAN Virginia Task Force 1 Fairfax County Fire & Rescue FEMA Re-Certification: January 2018 Donated by Kim Newman Guardian: Jean and Lawrence Brennan Sponsors: Arc Aspicio, The Julie Brandau Community Service Memorial Project, Oluv C, Jovnor, Foundation, GJ and Becky Pelissero, Lucy and Stephen Swartz med in honor of Ivan Matesevac



BOB GEORGE & SHADOW

California Task Force 2 Los Angeles County Fire FEMA Certification: January 2018 Recruited from Rescue Ranch Inc. Recruited by Kirsten Fulk Sponsors: Joyce and Alex Carasa, Mars, Inc.



BRANDON BUDD & IOSIE

California Task Force 7 Sacramento Fire FFMA Re-Certification: March 2018 **Recruited from Lassen County Animal** Services Recruited by Penny Woodruf Guardian: Judy Ross Sponsors: Susan Kemper and Cam Warren Named in honor of Josie Willett



DONOVAN GEORGE & OLLIE

California Task Force 5

Orange County Fire Authority FEMA Re-Certification: January 2018 **Recruited from Western Hills Humane** Society Recruited by South Dakota Caning

Center Guardian: Renee Pittin Sponsors: The Julie Brandau Community Service Memorial Project, Roberta Hoyt Named by Gaile Russ

PATTI KRAFFT & BILLY

Texas Task Force Dallas Fire-Rescue FEMA Certification: January 2018 Recruited from Humane Society of the South Platte Valley Recruited by South Dakota Caning Center Sponsors: The Julie Brandau Community Service Memorial Project. Flinor Plumer Named by Tina Sparuk

Sponsor: B & B Foundation Named by B & B Foundation

DENNIS CLARK & RUGBY California Task Force 2 Los Angeles County Fire FEMA Re-Certification: November 2017 Donated by Penny Woodruff Guardians: Kari and David Eisenacher



ROBERT GRANT &

ROCKY Texas Task Force **Plano Fire Rescue** FEMA Certification: January 2018 Donated by May Family Sponsors: Kathi and Steve Levine



TREVOR LAWRENCE & TAYLOR

Utah Task Force 1 **Unified Fire Authority** FEMA Re-Certification: January 2018 **Recruited from Aberdeen Area Humane** Society Recruited by South Dakota Canine Center Guardian: Karen Fav Sponsors: Arc Aspicio, Berekah Foundation, Michael Diani Named in memory of Taylor Steele

LINDA D'ORSI & HALEY California Task Force 8 Chula Vista Fire

FEMA Re-Certification: October 2017 Donated by Nancy King Prep Home: Karen Klingberg Guardians: Nuelda and Russell Ames Ruth Ann Simpson Sponsors: Janet and Greg Van Huisen

WADE HALLER & REX

California Task Force 5 Long Beach Fire FEMA Re-Certification: March 2018 Donated by Barbara Ornhaun Recruited by Penny Woodruff Prep Home: Karen Klingberg Guardian: Sandy Flanagan Sponsor: Diane Erdelvi



ERIC LIEUWEN & JAKE

California Task Force 7 Sacramento County Airport Fire FEMA Re-Certification: March 2018 Recruited from Nebraska Humane Society **Recruited by South Dakota Canine** Center Sponsor: Marith Levers

We appreciate everyone, from SDF supporters to their task force teammates, who help these handlers and dogs certify.

Please join us in congratulating the eight SDF-trained search teams that achieved certification for the first time and the 15 teams that re-certified this fiscal year.



BRENT BRAINARD & DECKER

California Task Force 8 San Diego Fire-Rescue FEMA Re-Certification: October 2017 Recruited from Sioux Falls Area Humane Society Recruited by South Dakota Canine Center Guardians: Nancy Baumer, Kathleen Pierce Sponsor: lanet Eaton Named by Erik Nagy



DEREK CHAKY & SCOUT

Texas Task Force Carrollton Fire FEMA Certification: January 2018 Recruited from James River Humane Society Recruited by South Dakota Canine Center Guardians: Clyde and Diana Freeman. Laura Pollick Sponsor: Ouinn Emanuel Urguhart & Sullivan, LLP



LEE CULLEY & TOM

Utah Task Force 1 FEMA Re-Certification: November 2017 Recruited from Los Banos Volunteers for Animals **Recruited by Heidi Miller** Sponsors: Jill Bee, Sean McGrath Named in memory of Tom McGrath

CERTIFICATIONS (CONTINUED)



ALEX MENGELL & GUNNER

California Task Force 4 lameda County Fire FEMA Re-Certification: March 2018 ecruited from Dog Adoption Welfare Group ecruited by Heidi Mille Sponsors: Bradley Haas, Marith Levers,

Carol and John Marengo med by Lynn Loacker



MIKE TOEPFER & DEACON

California Task Force 2 Los Angeles County Fire FEMA Certification: March 2018 onated by Anonymous uppy Raiser: Pluis Davern nsors: Otilia and Emma Diaz, Mars, Inc., Nancy Stone ned by Nancy Stone

IULIE PADELFORD-JANSEN & RICOCHET Florida Task Force 2 FEMA Re-Certification: October 2017

MARC VALENTINE & CHARLIE

California Task Force 5 Orange County Fire Authority FEMA Certification: January 2018 Recruited from Companion Golden **Retriever Rescue** Recruited by Trevor Lawrence Sponsors: Arc Aspicio. Stella & Arthur Pepper Foundation. **Cynthia Petrovits**

MIKE STORNETTA & ROCKET

California Task Force 4 onoma County Fire District FEMA Re-Certification: March 2018 Recruited from Sacramento SPCA Recruited by Andrea Bergquist Guardian: Christina Baker onsor: The loel and Dena Gambord Family



JASON VASQUEZ & RIPLEY

California Task Force 2 Los Angeles County Fire FEMA Re-Certification: November 2017 Recruited from Sioux City Animal Adoption & Rescue Center Recruited by South Dakota Canine Center Guardians: Alexandria and Robert Ennis Joan Risse Sponsor: Dr. Liz Fernandez

UDY ZINN & ROYCE

Oklahoma Task Force 1 SUSAR Re-Certification: February 2018 Recruited from Santa Barbara Animal Services — Santa Maria Recruited by Heidi Miller Guardians: Marilyn Benande and Jackie Emerson, Dody Burkey Sponsors: Janet and Greg Van Huisen Named by Laurie Dachs

ADVANCED TEAM TRAINING PREPARING OUR NATION FOR THE

INEVITABLE

In 2017-2018, SDF supported 69 search teams on our national roster and their task force teammates. Whether or not they were partnered by SDF, we offer advanced training to all teams, both at our National Training Center (NTC) and during visits to teams in the field.

The NTC is America's first and only permanent site built specifically for disaster search dogs. Our 125-acre campus is filled with simulation props that provide real-life practice scenarios, allowing search dogs and handlers alike to learn from potential mistakes ahead of an actual deployment.

SDF also provides special workshops and looks forward to offering more seminars on important topics, from canine medical treatments to advanced scent theory. We aim to grow our course catalog in the coming years, leveraging the NTC to help search teams of all disciplines, from wilderness to disaster

True to our mission, the more we can enrich the education of search dog handlers, the stronger we will make our nation's disaster response network.



SEARCH TEAM FUND

DOGS

received

healthcare

\$128,477

services totaling

has expanded to include five components: Canine Healthcare, Handlers' Grants, Zignature[®] brand dog food coupons, Metacam[®] prescriptions and the Petco Foundation Canine Cancer Fund. These programs enable our canines to receive the best care possible and be in top form when disasters strike.

AT A GLANCE: **ACTIVE & RETIRED** SEARCH

Petco Foundation Canine Cancer Fund Grants totaling \$17,493



ANDREA SUTCLIFFE & SKYE

Texas Task Force FEMA Certification: January 2018 Recruited from Western Hills Human Society ecruited by South Dakota Caning

Center uardians: Marikay Lindstrom and Bill Linde

rs: The Julie Brandau Community Service Memorial Project, Herbert H. and Barbara C. Dow Foundation ed by Kellee Matthews



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The Search Team Fund was established in 2008 to lessen the burden of out-of-pocket expenses for search dog handlers. Over the last decade, the fund

bags of Zignature dog food each month totaling \$24,480

Handlers' Grants totaling \$18,034

canines received 10 prescriptions from Boehringer-Ingelheim totaling approximately \$1,000



RETIRED SEARCH DOGS HANGING UP THE SEARCH VEST



Years of Service 2011 - 2018 Handler Chris Bergquist Sacramento Fire California Task Force 7 Puppy Raiser: Tina Brennan Recruited by Heidi Miller Guardians: Marybeth Little. Carol Sidlow Prep Home: Marshia Hall



HUNTER ears of Service 2004 - 2018

Handler Billy Monahan Los Angeles County Fire California Task Force 2 Donated by Patti Baldwir Guardians: Mary Sue Berkley, Linda Green. Don Hirschman Antelope Valley Kennel Club, **Disney VoluntEARS**

Community Fund

JESTER

Years of Service 2008 - 2018 Handler Davis Doty Orange County Fire Authority California Task Force 5 Recruited from High Sierra Animal Rescue Recruited by Penny Woodruff

Guardian: Martha Deming Sponsor: Nutro Products, Inc.

STETSON

Handler Andy Olvera

Los Angeles County Fire

California Task Force 2

Years of Service 2011 - 2018

Recruited from Labradors and

Buschmann.

Margaret Levy

District, lanet and

Greg Van Huisen

Group

Guardians: San and Nancy

Donsors CEWC - Marina

Named by Jack Teeters

Friends Dog Rescue

RAINBOW BRIDGE WE ARE FOREVER GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SERVICE



October 12, 2003 – November 17, 2017 Handler Bill Simmes New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services Office of Fire Prevention & Control New York Task Force 2 Donated by Becky Rutledge Guardians: Cheryl & George Keohan, Robert Montgomery



July 4, 2003 - October 18, 2017 Handler Michele Vaughn Salinas Fire California Task Force 4 Donated by Deresa Kenney Prep Home: Charity Marshall Guardian: Mary Severson Sponsors: Averil Nero and the Pebble Beach Riding and Trails Association, Elinor Plumer



TANKER

Years of Service 2012 - 2017 Handler Gary Durian Los Angeles County Fire California Task Force 2 Donated by Adam Cooper Guardian: Mary Parker Sponsors: Linda Heize Seaman, Mars, Inc.





SALSA

Handler Dane Yaw

Oklahoma City Fire

Oklahoma Task Force 1

Years of Service 2008 - 2017

Recruited from Guide Dogs of

America

Puppy Raiser: Debra Murphy

Sponsors: Brian, Connie, Peter

Meredith Vargo

and Martha Burri

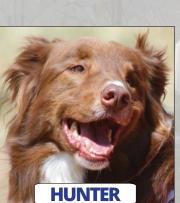
Guardians: Mary McClure,

Years of Service 2010 - 2018 Handler Keri Grant McKinney Fire, Retired Texas Task Force Recruited from Yolo County Animal Services Guardians: Janet and Richard Schmidt ponsors: Beth and Greg Apke



TY Years of Service 2011 - 2018 Handler Dennis DiMarzio Los Angeles County Fire California Task Force 2 Recruited from Southern Oregon Humane Society Guardians: Judy and Darrel Sneed Sponsor: Dodson Foundation Named by Rosemary Schumacher

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October 28, 2002 - May 24, 2018 Handler Billy Monahan Los Angeles County Fire California Task Force 2 Donated by Patti Baldwir Guardians: Mary Sue Berkley, Linda Green, Don Hirschman Sponsors: Antelope Valley Kennel Club, Disney VoluntEARS Community Fund

SPEAKER

August 28, 2004 – August 11, 2018

Federation of Job's Daughters, Stella & Arthur Pepper Foundation

Handler Tim Robertso

California Task Force 7

Prep Home: Ben Larner

Guardian: Natalie Stewart

Donated by Pluis and Kate Davern

Sponsors: Janice Mackey, California

Sacramento Fire



March 23, 2006 – August 15, 2018 Handler Davis Dot<mark>y</mark> Orange County Fire Authorit California Task Force 5 Recruited from High Sierra Animal Rescue Recruited by Penny Woodruff Guardian: Martha Deming Sponsor: Nutro Products, Inc



October 8, 2006 – December 17, 2017 Handler Gary Durian Los Angeles County Fire California Task Force 2 Donated by Adam Cooper Guardian: Mary Parker Sponsors: Linda Heizer Seaman, Mars, Inc.





August 4, 2004 – October 2, 2017 Handler Eric Hanzelka Monterey County Regional Fire District California Task Force 4 Donated by Roxanne Bohn Prep Home: Mary Lippman Guardians: Len Hanson, Jamie Kitz Sponsor: Diane Wolcott



December 14, 2006 – June 22, 2018 Handler Brent Koeninger of Oklahoma City Fire Oklahoma Task Force 1 Handler Deresa Teller of Los Angeles Fire California Task Force 1 Recruited from East Bay SPCA Guardian: Hank Butler-Funk Sponsors: The Joel and Dena Gambord Family, Joseph Sayer, Judy and Darrel Snood



August 22, 2003 – August 11, 2018 Handler John Stewart Saratoga Springs Fire New York Task Force 2 Recruited from Guide Dogs for the Blind Puppy Raiser: Susan Zubillaga Guardian: Caryn Sousa Sponsors: Arc Aspicio, Christa Hinckley, Stella & Arthur Pepper Foundation



December 8, 2006 – February 23, 2018 Handler Marc Valentine Montebello Fire California Task Force 5 Donated by Mary Deets



May 1, 2004 – June 26, 2018 Handler Kevin Skinner Salinas Fire California Task Force 4 Recruited from Santa Cruz County Animal Services Guardian: Juanita Gonzalez Sponsors: Nelia Morgan, Michael Skinner



July 18, 2003 – March 18, 2018 Handler Jason Cornell Sacramento Metro Fire California Task Force 7 Recruited from High Sierra Animal Rescue Recruited by Penny Woodruff Guardians: Gloria Paul, Doreen Baleria

LIFETIME CARE PROMISE: AT THE SEARCH DOG FOUNDATION, SUCCESS MEANS MORE THAN YOU THINK ...

Since the beginning, SDF has promised every dog in our program a purpose and a place, even if they cannot complete training. Each dog in the SDF Family will successfully live a life they love and never return to the shelter, no matter what.

Throughout their time with us, we see these dogs transform from disconnected, wary strays into engaged, confident companions with a renewed purpose in life and restored faith in humanity. For some, a different calling may emerge during training, and we vow to help them find their way, wherever that may lead—whether as working dogs in another career or as beloved pets in the right home.

During our 2017-2018 fiscal year, 13 dogs did not complete search dog training and are now enjoying happy lives as working dogs or pets. Over 200 dogs are part of our Lifetime Care Community, given a new career or loving home.



FROM POUND PUP TO WORKING DOG TO WONDERFUL PET: WRITING THE NEXT CHAPTER OF BRIXIE'S STORY

Brixie began her career as a candidate in 2016 but was found to have an underlying medical issue that kept her from completing our training program. Though we thought she might enjoy working as a service dog, Brixie made it clear she preferred to be a pet. We found her a loving home where she could play, run, and cuddle every day with her new family, volunteer Linda Munday and her husband, Dan. Now, Brixie gets to spend her days running around with their grandkids and loving life.

"I just knew she would be a great addition to our family," says Linda. "We can't imagine our lives without her."

The transition from working dog to pet can be tricky to navigate due to the high energy and high drive required of dogs entering our program, but our training team ensures every dog is ready for their new home.

We are so grateful to all our Lifetime Care families for opening their hearts and homes to dogs like Brixie who weren't meant to be search dogs, but were meant to be something great!

HELP EVERY SDF DOG SUCCEED

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If you are interested in joining our Lifetime Care Community, visit www.SearchDogFoundation.org/Lifetime-Care-Program to learn more. By joining the Lifetime Care Community, you enable SDF to fulfill our lifetime commitment to shelter dogs who do not complete our training program but will go on to change lives as working canines or loving pets.

VOLUNTEERS: RAISING THEIR PAWS TO HELP



Since the beginning when they wrote thank you notes at Founder Wilma Melville's coffee table, the backbone of SDF has been and always will be our dedicated volunteers.

This talented corps of individuals, known as the Woof Pack, integrates seamlessly with our staff to assist with everything, from sending thank you letters (now at a proper work table) to making phone calls, chopping doggie treats, and making sure every event runs smoothly.

We are so grateful to all of you who embrace our mission as your own day after day!

"After years and years of supporting SDF, I decided to reach out about volunteer opportunities. Now, not a day at the NTC goes by without someone thanking me for helping. That always amazes me, given what this organization does—truly all the thanks goes to them. Whenever I hear of a disaster occurring around the world, I find comfort in knowing 'our dogs' are there."

- Leah Evert-Burks

"I started volunteering for SDF in March of 2013. Everyone was so welcoming that I felt like I was a valued part of the team right from the start. I have helped with a lot of events and baked a lot of cookies over the years! I always leave SDF with a feeling that I actually am Part of the Search and part of their mission no matter how small of a task I may have done that day."



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NOTE: This list recognizes those volunteers active during our 2017-2018 fiscal year.



If you are interested in raising your paw and joining our WOOF PACK, please contact Volunteer Coordinator, Debi Mauck at (805) 317-8910 or Debi@SearchDogFoundation.org to learn more.



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