



## Kellnhaus German Shepherd Resources 1C Service Dog Information- Why a Kellnhaus GSD?

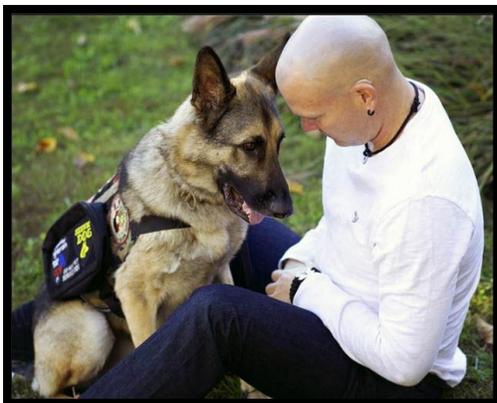
Service animals help us in many ways during our daily lives. Dogs are natural helpers and love to be of service and with the proper training, they can accomplish some pretty impressive feats from rescuing people from burning buildings to helping manage PTSD and depression.

### Types of Service Dogs

#### Service Dog for Physical Disabilities

You have probably seen these before. Often times, a visually impaired person will be seen with a guide dog to help them navigate the streets safely, but dogs can be trained to help with other disabilities as well, including:

- Hearing impairments
- Seizures
- Mobility issues
- Diabetes & More!



#### Psychiatric Service Dogs

Dogs can be trained to help people with severely debilitating psychiatric illness. And they do much more than just comforting a person who is lonely. They know how to:

- a) Alert their owner it's time to take medication
- b) Calm a person suffering from PTSD or an anxiety attack
- c) Helping with daily tasks while the person is temporarily unable to do them.

#### Emotional Support Dogs

These are animals intended primarily to provide comfort to a psychologically or emotionally ill person. They don't require specific training because the support they provide is more or less their natural love and devotion and generally only in the home. These are a great help for the elderly and others who live alone.



## What Makes OUR German Shepherds Good Service Dogs?

The top 3 breeds most often chosen to become service animals are:

1. Golden Retrievers
2. **German Shepherds**
3. Labrador Retrievers

The most important qualities any dog should have to become a service animal of any kind are the following:

- ✓ **Well-tempered:** They should be very, very patient, gentle and calm. Whatever the disability a person has, a dog will need to have the patience to provide the proper support. Temperament comes from genetics and upbringing. Kellnhaus' breeding dogs include active, working service dogs, thereby producing that same temperament generation after generation.



- ✓ **Well-socialized:** The dog should be very comfortable being in many different environments, surrounded by many different kinds of people (young and old, energetic and calm, etc.). They have to be very tolerant and adaptable. This socialization starts from the day the pup is born using our Service Dog Training Protocol for all pups born at Kellnhaus. In the photos on this page you can **see a Kellnhaus pups training in movie theaters, libraries, and at a fair midway**. They are calm and relaxed in the middle of all these sensations!

- ✓ **Obedient:** training requires obedience. A dog will not learn what it needs to without a committed effort on both partner's parts. Kellnhaus only breeds GSDs that have the drive and desire to learn how to serve you from basic obedience to advance service skills.

### So why choose a Kellnhaus pup for your future Service Dog?

- All our dogs are **active, working dogs** in their day-to-day life.
- Our dogs come from **Canadian, German, and American Champion** pedigrees in both show and working titles and continue to work on their own championships with us.
- **Every pup** in the litter starts our Service Dog Training Protocol from birth.
- All pups have the **genetic foundation and experience** to excel in this kind of work.
- Service Dog Prospects are specifically **selected** based on independent temperament tests for best chance at success.
- Cost wise, this is the **most economically efficient** way to acquire a foundationally prepared service dog for ultimate certification.

