

# 2022 ANNUAL GRATITUDE REPORT



**MISSION** Can Do Canines is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for people with disabilities by creating mutually beneficial partnerships with specially trained dogs. **VISION** We envision a world where people with disabilities live free and independent lives. **VALUES** Commitment to Clients • Respect for People • Respect for Dogs • Integrity • Innovation • Teamwork

*A Letter From*

**Executive Director Jeff Johnson  
and Board President Ross Thorfinnson**

We had an exciting and eventful 2022 here at Can Do Canines. We certified 51 new teams and continued to focus on our strategic objectives of better serving and engaging our clients, volunteers, and staff; increasing our profile and reaching new communities; and creating new ways to serve people with disabilities.

We formed many new partnerships, advanced our new facility dog and skilled home companion programs, and launched a Pups at Work (PAW) pilot program with Best Buy. And our incredible staff continued to find innovative ways to serve our clients and engage our volunteers and supporters.

This year is proving to be even more exciting than last. We have set a 40% growth goal for the next ten years, begun to plan for an addition to our current building that will solve multiple space needs and allow us to whelp puppies on-site in partnership with volunteers, and purchased a facility in New Germany, Minnesota, that will allow us to start whelping puppies now until our new addition is complete.

Thank you for your support and the role you play in this exciting time!



Jeff Johnson  
Executive Director



Ross Thorfinnson  
Board President

**2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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# Financial Statements | For the year ended December 31, 2022

## Income Statement for the year ended Dec. 31, 2022

### Public Support

Individual and corporate donations	1,561,272
Service club donations	156,080
Foundation grants	648,603
Federated fundraisers	119,307
Earned income—net	88,702
Special events—net	336,293
In-kind contributions	<u>96,322</u>
<b>Total public support</b>	<b>3,006,579</b>

Investment income (loss)	(30,244)
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>(123,156)</u>
<b>Total support and revenue</b>	<b>2,976,335</b>

### Expenses

Program expenses	2,654,715
Support services	
Management and general	141,388
Fundraising	328,737
Depreciation	<u>113,056</u>
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>3,237,896</b>

Increase in net assets	(261,560)
Net assets—beginning	<u>5,593,442</u>
<b>Net assets—ending</b>	<b>5,331,882</b>

## Balance Sheet for the year ended Dec. 31, 2022

### Current Assets

Cash and investments	2,864,501
Accounts receivable	10,438
Pledges receivable	104,205
Prepays and inventory	<u>6,332</u>
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>2,985,476</b>
Pledges receivable-long term	-

### Property and Equipment

Vehicles and equipment	254,294
Land and building	3,583,997
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,330,366)</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>5,493,401</b>

### Liabilities and Net Assets

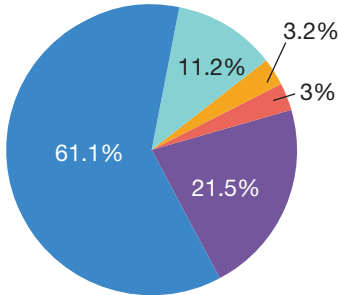
#### Current Liabilities

Accounts payable—trade	11,143
Accrued expenses	150,376
Deferred revenue	<u>-</u>
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>161,519</b>

#### Net Assets

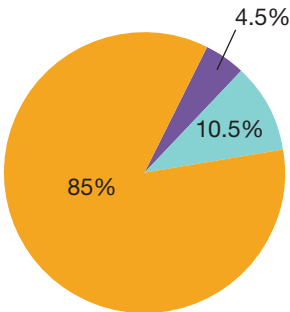
Net assets without donor restrictions	3,025,239
Board designated donor restrictions	2,192,000
Net assets with donor restrictions	<u>114,643</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>5,331,882</b>
<b>Total liabilities and net assets</b>	<b>5,493,401</b>

## Revenue



- Donations
- Events
- In-Kind
- Earned Income
- Foundations

## Expenses



- Programs
- Fundraising
- Management



# MOBILITY

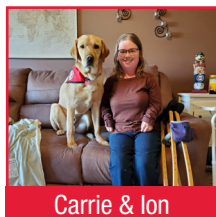
Mobility Assist Dogs work with people who have mobility challenges and other needs. They pick up and carry objects, turn on lights, open doors and help pay at tall counters.



Allie & Finley



Bridget & Tamara



Carrie & Ion



Devin & Olive



George & Camilla



Jasmine & Ursa



Jeff & Wendy



JodiAnn & Alvin



Kaiya & Fargo



Katherine & Bing



Mary Louise & Lewis



Meghan & Dotty



Pat & Tommy



Rui Rui & Yeti



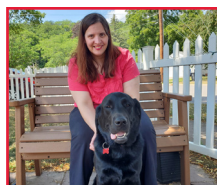
Sage & Bella



Samantha & Jefferson

\* Skilled Home Companions

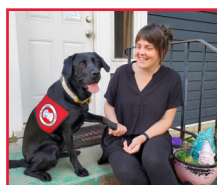




Amy & Jackson\*



Brendan & Harley



Ema & Molly



Emme & Irwin



Jensen & Stormie



Jessica & Athena



Kevin & Elvis



Marina & Jazmin



Paul & Cider



Paul & Zeke



Steve & Grady\*

## SEIZURE

Seizure Assist Dogs respond to a person having a seizure by licking their face, retrieving an emergency phone and alerting other family members.



Caitie & Elvis



Michelle & Zeta



Owen & Gus



Rebekah & Castle

## COMBINATION SKILLS

Combination Skills Dogs assist their partners with tasks from at least two of our five types of assistance dogs.

### Mobility & Seizure



David & Java

### Mobility & Hearing



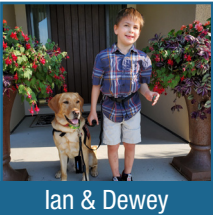
Ridge & Breeze

# AUTISM

Autism Assist Dogs keep children with autism safe in public settings and help them experience the world more fully by offering comfort and assurance. These special dogs also serve as a social bridge between the family and the public.



Briella & Basil



Ian & Dewey



Kaden & Gucci



Lucas & Demi



Noah & Xavi

# HEARING

Hearing Assist Dogs alert a person who is deaf or hard of hearing to sounds by making physical contact with them and leading them to the source of the sound.



Dov Ber & Cinco



Hannah & Alayna



Jon & Calla



Nancy & Thor



Natalie & Jacqui



Nyleve & Yasmin



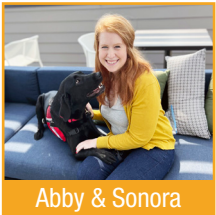
Roy & Wrigley



Steve & Andy

# DIABETES

Diabetes Assist Dogs detect low blood sugar levels by sensing a change in their partner's breath odor. The dog alerts their partner by making physical contact.



Abby & Sonora

# FACILITY DOGS IMPACT COUNTLESS LIVES

In 2022, Can Do Canines began a pilot program of training facility dogs. A facility dog is trained to work at a designated location with a variety of people, rather than just one person. While the dogs are still task trained, like assistance dogs, the tasks they perform are done for someone other than their handler.



This concept isn't entirely new for us. In 2018, one Can Do Canine joined the Orono Police Department as a Community Service Dog. This past year, however, we placed four facility dogs with M Health Fairview: Tasha, Fern, and Inka started at Masonic Children's Hospital, and another, Clayton, became the first facility dog in Minnesota to join an emergency medical services team.

Whether these dogs help demonstrate hospital procedure to young patients (taking blood pressure, placing an IV, etc.), offer support for stressful situations, play fetch to incentivize physical therapy, or any number of other tasks, they benefit the lives of multiple people every day.

Remarking on this new relationship with Can Do Canines, one M Health Fairview representative said, "We feel incredibly lucky to be part of this family of outstanding volunteers and an outstanding organization with such a strong reputation in our community."



Phylicia, Theresa & Fern



Anna, Amy & Tasha



Kevin & Clayton



Jen, Sam & Inka



# 2022 AT A GLANCE

**3,234** people donated a total of **\$1,740,510** and helped us match more teams.

**378** active working teams received ongoing training and support from staff.

**649** volunteers helped us in a variety of ways.

Approximately **546,302** hours were clocked by volunteers

**51** new teams were certified in 2022.

**168** inmate handlers raised and trained our dogs-in-training.

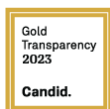


## THANK YOU

Can Do Canines relies on volunteers and donors to help make our mission a reality. Every single contributor makes a difference. The commitment, talent, and passion our volunteers demonstrate is unparalleled, and the generosity of our financial supporters allows us to continue to place our dogs free of charge to people who need them. Thank you for helping us provide life-changing assistance dogs.

**To view a list of volunteers and donors involved in 2022, please visit** [candocanines.org/2022-volunteers-donors](https://candocanines.org/2022-volunteers-donors)

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## On the Cover

Lucas with Autism Assist Dog Demi,  
one of our 2022 certified teams