



# Funds Distribution Report

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**Canine Companions**

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**Organization's General Goals:**

Canine Companions is leading the service dog industry so our clients and their dogs can live with greater independence. We provide service dogs to adults, children and veterans with disabilities and facility dogs to professionals working in healthcare, criminal justice and educational settings.

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**Date of Award:** 2024 Q3      **Level:** \$2,501 to \$5,000

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## **Tulalip Tribes Charitable Giving Program**

### **Grant Impact Report Q3 2024 14.2**

**Amount Received:** [REDACTED]

**Date Received:** January 22, 2025

### **50 Years of Independence — Impact in Washington State**

In 2025, Canine Companions proudly marks five decades of providing expertly trained service dogs at no cost to people with disabilities. Since our founding in 1975, more than 8,400 service and facility dog teams have graduated nationwide, supporting children, adults, veterans, and professionals as they build greater independence and confidence in their daily lives.

The generous support from the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Giving Program made a meaningful difference during this milestone year through our Puget Sound Field Office — the first field office in Canine Companions' national network, and a growing center for service delivery across Washington. The [REDACTED] grant directly supported core program costs, including professional dog training, individualized team training and follow-up services, and the volunteer-powered foster and puppy raising programs that make our work possible.

With support from partners like Tulalip Tribes, the Puget Sound Field Office continues to meet rising demand for professionally trained dogs across Washington:

- 12 new service and facility dog teams graduated from the Puget Sound Field Office in 2025
- 27 active therapy dog teams (more than double the number from 2024) are now serving communities statewide
- More than 30 future service dogs are currently being raised by dedicated volunteer puppy raisers
- 20 approved volunteer foster homes in the Seattle area are caring for dogs during professional training, supporting our kennel-free model
- Ongoing, no-cost follow-up support for 99 active teams living in Washington

We are deeply grateful to the Tulalip Tribes Charitable Giving Program for your partnership. Your support during Canine Companions' 50th Anniversary year helped ensure dogs and people could train, grow, and succeed together — strengthening programs, supporting volunteers, and expanding access to life-changing partnerships across Washington.

Thank you for investing in a future where independence is accessible to all.

## Tyler & Nash — Facility Dog at Seattle Children's Hospital



At Seattle Children's Hospital, Facility Dog Nash works alongside inpatient rehabilitation social worker Tyler, offering comfort, focus, and steady reassurance to children navigating life-changing diagnoses. Nash has become a familiar and trusted presence throughout the hospital, helping ease anxiety for patients, families, and staff during some of the most challenging moments of care.

Nash actively supports children during therapy by assisting with fine motor skill development — patients brush his teeth, groom his fur, and clean his paws as part of their treatment. His trained cues, including applying gentle pressure during moments of distress,

help children regain calm and confidence. One young cancer patient even partnered with Nash to make her hospital bed each morning, turning a difficult routine into a moment of pride and accomplishment.

Video: Tyler & Nash – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2TBgyRTT4EQ>

“He has the ability to melt anyone. It’s hard to look at Nash and still be sad. He’s the best distraction for both patients and staff going through a hard time.” — Tyler

## Steve & Glinda — Veteran Service Dog Team



Vietnam War veteran Steve Revella spent more than 50 years living with the effects of post-traumatic stress disorder before learning that support was available through Canine Companions' veteran program. Seeking relief from anxiety, recurring nightmares, and the long-term physical impacts of his service, Steve applied for a service dog who could offer both practical assistance and steady companionship.

In February 2025, Steve was matched with Service Dog Glinda. Her calm presence helps interrupt anxiety and nighttime distress while also assisting with everyday tasks such as retrieving items, opening and closing doors, and removing socks. Just as

important, Glinda stays close during difficult moments — curling up beside Steve when anxiety rises and accompanying him in his woodworking shed, where her presence has helped him reconnect with a lifelong passion.

“She couldn’t have been a more perfect match. Glinda is exactly the calming presence I need during fits of anxiety.” — Steve

### **Emily & Chandler — Facility Dog at Cavelero Mid High School, Lake Stevens**



At Cavelero Mid High School in Lake Stevens, mental health support specialist Emily works with more than 1,500 students, many of whom are carrying significant stress, loss, or anxiety into their school day. Since February 2025, she has been partnered with Facility Dog Chandler, whose steady presence has changed how students show up for support.

For many students, Chandler makes it easier to walk through the door and ask for help. Through trained cues — such as applying comforting pressure during emotional moments — and by simply offering quiet companionship, Chandler supports students with trauma histories, Tourette’s Syndrome, depression, and language barriers. His presence helps create a sense of safety, allowing students to feel calmer, more open, and more connected during moments that might otherwise feel overwhelming.

“Every student speaks at least a little bit of dog.” — Emily