



LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

LEADER DOG NEWS FOR LIONS – 2019

NEW TRAINING OPTIONS



Urban training in Chicago and Deaf-Blind training in Naples, Florida are part of Leader Dog's options for clients.

Beginning in July 2019, Leader Dogs for the Blind will offer a variety of Guide Dog Training options:

On-campus: This option mirrors our current training design but will be three weeks in length. Clients are able to focus on training without everyday distractions of home, e.g., cooking, cleaning, family.

In-home Delivery: A guide dog mobility instructor (GDMI) takes a dog to the client and trains the team in the home environment for up to 10 days. This format benefits clients who need to care for a family member or continue a full-time job. In-home delivery is designed for experienced clients but can be an option for first-time guide dog users.

Flex: Training starts on campus and then transitions to the client's home. This allows the client to solidify the basics of guide dog work before transferring the skills to their normal environment with GDMI support.

Urban: An option for clients who live, work or travel in large cities. The training consists of two weeks of on-campus training followed by one week in Chicago.

Warm Weather: This 14-day class is held in Naples, Florida and is offered to clients who live in warm environments or have health conditions that do not allow them to be outdoors in cold climates.

Deaf-Blind: Training specifically for clients with both hearing and vision loss. Clients may be hearing impaired or profoundly deaf. Deaf-Blind clients may attend warm weather training in Florida to allow for better communication when utilizing Tactile American Sign Language.



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Clients Served Year to Date (6/1/2018 - 1/15/2019)

Guide Dog Training Total:126

Canada: 10

Chile: 1

Dominican Republic: 1

Mexico: 9

Peru: 1

Spain: 19

United States: 85

AL	1	MO	2
AZ	2	MT	1
CA	3	NC	1
CO	5	ND	1
DC	1	NE	1
DE	1	NY	1
FL	2	OH	1
GA	1	PA	6
IA	2	SC	2
IL	4	SD	1
IN	10	TX	2
KS	1	VA	1
MD	2	WA	2
MI	18	WI	9
MN	1		

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