

Service Dog Application Process



Guide Dogs
of America



Tender Loving
Canines

1 DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY
Visit website to complete prequalifying questionnaire & watch informational video.



2 ONLINE APPLICATION
Complete service dog application and submit it online.



3 VIDEO AND FORMS
Upload video and deliver required forms. Designated contacts return required reference and medical history forms.



4 PERSONAL INTERVIEW
When application packet is complete, applicant will be contacted for a personal interview with one or more individuals on our client services team.



5 SELECTION REVIEW
If selected, applicants join the pre-approved applicant pool.



6 MEET AND GREET
Attend a meet & greet to determine if a potential dog is a good match for you.



7 TEAM TRAINING
Invitation to Team Training will be offered when a student has been paired with a dog ready for placement. Notice is given approximately 4-8 weeks prior to training.



The application process for a guide or service dog varies from client to client but typically can take anywhere up to 6 months.

The wait time to receive a service dog can take up to 2 years.